

# **CODE OF CONDUCT 2009-2010**

## **PA Classics AC**

The list of items below is designed and intended to give the parents of the 2009-10 PA Classics players a glimpse of several key initiatives as it pertains to conduct on and around the soccer pitch.

1. ***EDUCATING PARENTS...***The club will begin to educate the parents on rules and guidelines of the game of soccer through the course of the coming year via various articles and anecdotes. These series of articles are designed to create awareness among our parents as to the multiple facets of the nature of youth competition and the sport of soccer. We would like to have the most soccer-literate parents possible.
2. ***COACH/PLAYER/TEAM CONDUCT...***The club will begin to institute a fine system for those coaches and players who receive RED cards. In the past, when the club has been fined by various leagues for the misconduct of its players and coaches, the club has paid the bill in order to not jeopardize our relationship with the various leagues. This coming year, all fines incurred by players and coaches will be passed on to those players and coaches committing the infraction. If a fine is assessed because of the team, then the entire team will be held accountable. All fines and red cards will be reported to the Board of Director's at monthly meetings this year. Additional action may be taken by the Director's if deemed necessary.
3. ***PARENT CONDUCT...***The club will begin a series of steps to look at conduct of parents on the sideline as it pertains to several things:
  - a. Parent coaching from the sidelines.
  - b. Parent comments/behaviors to refs and opposing players/parents.
  - c. Parent comments/behaviors toward kids on our teams including their own kid.
  - d. Parent attitudes/behaviors towards the coach and club.
4. ***CLUB STATEMENT...*** *While we as a club understand that emotion is an integral part of sport and competition, we do also desire to keep a proper perspective on the game itself and on player development. We desire to focus, through proper education and awareness, on isolating and eventually eliminating as many negative influences as possible that can be detrimental to the development of youth soccer players.*

PARENT SIGNATURE: I have read the above information and understand that the PA CLASSICS AC will be attempting to institute several new initiatives designed to address conduct issues related to parents, players and coaches during the coming 2009-2010 playing season.

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PRINT NAME

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DATE