## Hampshire Dome <u>Player</u> Code of Conduct

It is expected that the players that participate at the Hampshire Dome in our youth and adult leagues and for rental practices will conduct themselves responsibly both on and off the playing field.

The Hampshire Dome will not tolerate any unsportsmanlike or derogatory conduct or behavior during training, practice sessions, games, tournaments or any other club function or event.

As a player at the Hampshire Dome, I hereby promise to uphold the following Player's Code of Conduct:

- 1. I promise to maintain a positive attitude during all Dome events, practices and games.
- 2. I promise to be punctual and ready at the time that I am required to be present for all games.
- 3. I promise to contact my coach 24 hours in advance of any game day absence.
- 4. I promise to be a team player and encourage my fellow teammates at all times.
- 5. I promise to follow the directions of my coaches.
- 6. I promise to respect my teammates, coaches and managers. I will accept the authority of my coach when disciplined.
- 7. I promise to respect and not criticize opposing players, coaches or teams.
- 8. I promise to respect and not criticize or raise my voice to officials.
- 9. I promise that I will not use foul or degrading language while playing at the Dome.
- 10. I promise that I will not engage in any fighting or flagrant unsportsmanlike conduct during any competition.
- 11. I will respect all equipment, playing facilities and facility rules and I will not hang on goals and nets.
- 12. I will accept victory and defeat with dignity.

## All players shall be subject to the following PENALTIES for not adhering to the above code of conduct:

- 1. Disrespect to the coach or displaying disruptive behavior during games = substituted immediately, playing time reduced for 1<sup>st</sup> offense, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense is removal from game day competition.
- 2. Disrespect towards the referee and/or getting a red card (Soccer) or game ejection (Flag Football) = automatic suspension by the league for the rest of the current game, plus next scheduled game.
- 3. Disrespect to opposing coaching staff or opposing team members with Unsportsmanlike conduct on or off the field = <u>playing time reduced for 1<sup>st</sup> offense</u>, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense is removal from game day <u>competition</u>.
- 4. Inappropriate or unprofessional <u>"Off the field"</u> activities: The Director of Athletics in consultation with the Guardian and Coach will decide on the action to be taken depending on the seriousness of the incident.

## Any player that instigates a fight and physically throws a punch or kick with intent to injure will be automatically suspended for one year from the date of the incident.

All incidents will be reviewed by the Director of Athletics and the Hampshire Dome General Manager.

## Hampshire Dome <u>Parent</u> Code of Conduct

Youth sports are for the players. All parents who bring their children to the Hampshire Dome to compete in our youth leagues are invited to share in the pleasure of watching their children participate, so long as their behavior does not distract the players and officials from the free flow of play which is the trademark of sport. The Hampshire Dome prides ourselves on having respectful and engaged families and we ask that parents and guardians to continue to adhere to these guidelines:

A parent or guardian should:

- Foster an environment of respect for referees, players, coaches, and spectators of the opposing team through words of encouragement and support.
- Applaud superior play, effort, and sportsmanship by players on both teams.
- Support your coaches and managers consistently regardless of the results on the field. Coaches contribute many hours of their time to your children. They deserve your congratulations when the team wins and your encouragement when the team doesn't.
- Communicate any concerns to the coach at the appropriate time (**24 hour cool off period**) away from the playing location and players.
- Always remain at least two yards from the playing field so our young players have room to play and enjoy the game.
- Your cooperation with these standards before, during, and after each game or practice makes the Hampshire Dome Leagues more enjoyable for everyone.

A parent or guardian must:

- Never use foul language or obscene gestures at a game or practice site.
- Avoid comments and gestures that express disagreement with referee decisions.
- Cooperate with any request by the game officials.
- Never enter the field of play during any confrontation, leave that for the Officials, Coaches and Hampshire Dome on duty staff and or the Director of Athletics.

A parent or guardian understands that:

- Any parent or spectator who fails to adhere to these standards will be required to leave the playing area beyond the half wall into the lobby area, and play will be suspended until he or she does so.
- The Hampshire Dome reserves the right to suspend or terminate a player's enrollment for his or her parent's persistent or extreme sideline misbehavior, and there will be no refunds of player fees in such cases.
- Parents or guardians are responsible for their guests' behavior and must inform their guests of the applicable rules of conduct.

Any breaches of this Code of Conduct can result in your suspension and removal from the Hampshire Dome. Comments and behavior of any spectator which contradicts the mission statement or disrupts the functioning of a team can result in the suspension and/or removal from the Hampshire Dome.

Anyone that wants to file a complaint can do so after the 24 hour cool off period and must submit it to the Director of Athletics for review with the General Manager. Please be advised this process takes time so we can review both sides of any complaint, interview those involved and review video camera recordings to make a competent decision on how to proceed.