



Stockton Youth Soccer's BML operates on principles of responsibility, respect and sportsmanship. Coaches, parents and players are expected to exhibit superior levels of these principles on and off the field. Our Coaches and players are extremely valuable to our program.

Coaches have the difficult task of developing players, delivering results, maintaining professionalism, and encouraging their players to have fun through soccer. We expect that all participants will treat all coaches and players with the utmost respect and the highest standard of professional courtesy. You must agree to the SYSA's BML Code of Conduct, as defined below, if you wish to participate in the program.

1. _____ I agree to discuss any issues first with the Coach and/or Coordinator and follow the chain of communication (Coach , Coaching Coordinator, BML Coordinator, SYSA's Board of Directors)

2. _____ I agree to display professional courtesy and respect rules, officials, referees, opponents, teammates and self. This includes always respecting and never challenging or abusing any referee's before, during, or after the game. We must never retaliate when the opposing team has hostile or poorly behaved players and/or parents. We understand that SYSA will take disciplinary action against unruly SYSA parents or coaches, including parent and/or player suspension or expulsion from the BML.

3. _____ I agree never to approach or accost the coaching staff of any team immediately before, during, or after a game. We agree to schedule an appointment at the appropriate time – no less than 24 hours from the incident – to discuss concerns with the coach.

4. _____ I agree not to yell at, ridicule or criticize (privately or publicly) my child or any other child at any time. I agree to support ALL players on the field with positive and encouraging words and actions.

5. _____ Parents agree not to coach any of the players from the sideline at game time. We understand the team and/or players may be learning one method of play or skill and do not need to be counter-coached or second-guessed by the spectators. We agree children improve by making their own decisions and by making mistakes in the game. Let them make their own decisions, make their own mistakes, and then learn from them with the help of your positive encouragement.

6. _____ I understand that all players are guaranteed at least 50% playing time in each game. We understand each coach is expected to develop each player and team in a constructive manner as well as maintain a competitive balance.

7. _____ I understand that many factors determine playing time positively or negatively (i.e. practice attendance, attitude, skill level, position needs, endurance levels, tardiness etc).

8. _____ I will be responsible for the behavior of any friends or family members supporting our child. I will ensure they are held to the same standards as we are.

Player Name (print) _____

Coaches Name _____

Parent(s)/Guardian Name (print)

Parent(s) or Guardian(s) Signature

Date