

## Wisconsin Rapids Kickers Code of Conduct

Parents, players, coaches, and spectators represent the Wisconsin Rapids Kickers when our teams take the field. The actions of any one person can affect the image of the entire program. This Code of Conduct encourages player and parents to work together to encourage good sportsmanship and to treat players, coaches, referees, and other parents with respect. It also identifies the potential consequences encountered when the appropriate behavior is not observed on the sideline.

### The Referee

- Under no circumstance should a family member confront a referee during or after a match.
- Do not verbally harass a referee. You may disagree with a call but it serves no purpose to yell or otherwise harass the referee.
- Head Coaches will be held responsible by the referee and the club for ensuring that parents comply with this portion of the Code of Conduct. Any coach who, in the opinion of the Director of Coaching, fails to attempt to control unruly parents on the sideline will be subject to suspension.

### The Team

- Ensure your child and all of his/her equipment get to training and games on time.
- Pick up your child promptly at the end of training and games.
- Respond in a timely manner to manager or coach communications
- Honor the commitment to the team by making sure your child is at all team functions; training, games, tournaments, etc.
- Communicate any absences or conflicts with the Team Manager and Head Coach, according to the guidelines set by the head coach.

### The Player

- Parent criticism of (or “constructive help” for) other WRK players or opponents is generally not well received by the player, the coach, or the player’s parents and will not be tolerated
- Win or lose-do so with class
- Never yell at a player on the opposing team. Think about how upset you would be if that was your child.
- Avoid confrontations or shouting matches with the coaches, parents, or spectators will not be tolerated. Confrontations on the sidelines will not be tolerated.
- Constant yelling is irritating to the people around you-even if you think it is positive
- No alcohol, drugs, profanity or fighting are ever permitted at games or training.

### The Coach

- Coaches, not parents, are the ones we entrust to instruct our players. Please do not coach your child from the sideline. There are plenty of decisions that have to

be made by the player...additional comments from a parent will only serve to confuse the intended message from the coach.

- Disagreements with the coach do not belong on the soccer field before, during or after a game or training. Questions or comments should be discussed privately and in an adult atmosphere.

### Grievances and Consequences

If you feel a parent's behavior warrants corrective action (e.g., the above noted points) the appropriate course of action would be to contact

1. Head Coach
2. Director of Coaching
3. The President for further investigation
4. Board of Directors

The Board of Directors reserve the right to impose penalties including reprimands, suspension of spectator privileges, and expulsion from the team or team events for violations of the code of conduct.

The Player and Both Parents Must Sign and Date This

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Player Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_