



Member Code of Conduct

Madison 56ers Soccer Club members are always expected to maintain a high standard of conduct and be a credit to themselves, their families, their club, and their community. All members must uphold this Member Code of Conduct and any other applicable governing soccer body regulations on a year-round basis.

Members are defined as:

- Any player rostered to a Madison 56ers Soccer Club team
- Parent or guardian of a player rostered to a Madison 56ers Soccer Club team
- Any person employed by the Madison 56ers Soccer Club in a coaching capacity
- Any person employed by or holding a volunteer position with Madison 56ers Soccer Club
- Any alumnus/alumna of Madison 56ers Soccer Club who has requested and received membership status

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1. Adhere to the rules of game play as established by the governing body in which you are participating.
2. Display a strong spirit of cooperation, a positive attitude, and good sportsmanship.
3. Exhibit respect to coaches, athletes, game officials, game opponents, and fellow Club members. Remain gracious and courteous in both victory and defeat.
4. Encourage understanding, appreciation and acceptance of all within our membership, volunteer base, and staff.
5. Demonstrate commitment to the team by regularly attending practice, arriving on-time and prepared to team events, with the proper equipment, and meeting the coach's expectations.



6. Respect the coach's decision on the player's position and game time. Competitive soccer allows for the coach's sole discretion on what is best for the team and the individual player's development.
7. Non-playing members must never coach from the sidelines, including giving direction or information to players.
8. Non-playing members must follow field rules and sit on the opposite side of the field as players during games.
9. Players will refrain from the use, possession, sale or distribution of alcohol, tobacco, controlled substances, drug paraphernalia or any other illegal or illicit substances of any kind at all times; other members will refrain from same at club events and on the sidelines (i.e. practices, games, etc.).
10. Refrain from any other unacceptable conduct contrary to the ideals, principles and standards of Madison 56ers Soccer Club, including, but not limited to, conduct inappropriate on websites such as blogs, social media, texting, cyber bullying, etc. and criminal behavior.
11. Remember that soccer is a game to be enjoyed, and that I respect and represent my club both on and off the field.

Enforcement and Course of Action

The Madison 56ers Soccer Club Board of Directors shall be responsible for promoting and enforcing the Member Code of Conduct. Should the Board of Directors determine that disciplinary action of a member is required as related to the Member Code of Conduct, the Board of Directors, at their discretion, may:

1. Send a letter of warning to the member
2. Suspend the member
3. Remove the member from the Club

Suspension or revocation from the Club requires a two-thirds vote by the Board of Directors.



Appeal

Any member subjected to disciplinary action has the right to appeal in writing to the Board of Directors within two weeks of the disciplinary action. Members should have no expectation of an in-person meeting with the Board of Directors and the board's post-review decision shall be final.