



# COLUMBUS SKI CLUB

## SOCCER

### *Code of Conduct*



#### **Purpose:**

The purpose is to establish and maintain a safe, positive, encouraging and fun environment for adult co-ed recreational soccer. We strive toward equity in our teams to allow for learning and fun competition. Players of all skill levels will be accepted, including those that have never played. The level of competition is recreational and is geared towards a social setting, which will encourage the development of new skills in this sport.

#### **Requirements for Participation:**

This league is for the members of Columbus Ski Club and all players must be members of the Columbus Ski Club or a group with reciprocal membership rights. Players must be at least 21 years of age to play. League rules often require players to be 25 years of age by the end of the current session, but accommodations can be made for those 21 to 24 years of age. Players must be willing to abide by this “Code of Conduct” in addition to any and all rules and requirements of the facility.

#### **League Expectations:**

- ***Respect for the laws of the game and the referees that enforce those laws.***  
In soccer you play to the whistle. When the whistle blows, play is stopped. Understand that in soccer, the referee is given a large range of “judgment calls.” This means that you may not agree with the call but they are still right and you are wrong. There is no “instant replay” and calls cannot and will not be reviewed. Do not argue with the referee.
- ***Respect for your fellow players, whether they are on your team or your opponent.***  
Comments should be positive and encouraging. Foul language will not be tolerated nor will comments considered degrading or demeaning.
- ***Respect for yourself.***  
Conduct yourself in a way that shows respect for yourself and others. Soccer is a sport of ladies and gentlemen, and you should behave as such.
- ***Respect the League Chairperson(s) and League Captains.***  
Like that of the referee, the League Chairperson(s) and League Captains have the right to enforce the expectations and rules. Do not argue with League Chairperson(s) and League Captains.

#### **League Rules:**

- All players must wear shin guards.
- No spitting or gum chewing any where on the turf.
- No slide tackles or reckless play(s) are allowed for the safety of all players.
- Captains will be expected to maintain current rosters at every game and abide by the captain’s sub rules for that session. Only the captain of the team can obtain and approve subs for each game.
- All subs will be charged \$5.00 per game. Exclusions may apply, so please see League Chairperson(s) for details.
- Fighting will lead to an automatic expulsion for the session. The player’s return for the next session or afterward is at the discretion of the League Chairperson(s) and/ or the facility.

#### **Yellow and Red Cards Definition and Rules:**

##### **Definitions:**

- YELLOW card = 2 minute penalty or 2 minute penalty = 1 YELLOW card
  - a. This only applies to penalties for rough play or unsportsmanlike conduct (for example, a subbing violation or goalie hand-ball out of the box may draw a two minute penalty, but does not count as a Yellow)
  - b. Applies even if referee doesn't actually show a card
- 2 YELLOW cards within 1 game = 1 RED card





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**Rules:**

- If a player receives 1 RED card or 2 YELLOW cards (or equivalent) in a game, the player is out for the rest of the night and the following week's game(s).
- If a player receives 2 RED cards or 4 YELLOW cards (or equivalent) in a session, the player is suspended for the rest of the session (NOTE -- this is a Ski Club rule, not necessarily the facility)
- If a player who was suspended receives any card (RED or YELLOW) in the next session, they will no longer be allowed to play with Ski Club. (NOTE -- this is a Ski Club rule, not necessarily facility)
- Player(s) continuing to chatter or fight off the field, after being told to stop by the referee or League Chairperson(s) may be given a yellow or red card.
- Cards are only given at the discretion of the referee and League Chairperson(s), and his/her decisions are to be respected.
- Chairperson(s) / Captains will keep track of all Red and Yellow Cards.

**By signing this document, you acknowledge that you have read, understood and will abide by these requirements, expectations, and rules.**

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**Player's First and Last Name** *(Please Print Clearly)*

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**Player's Signature**

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**Date**

