



## **Coral Springs Chiefs Coaching Code of Conduct/Ethics**

### **PURPOSE**

This Coaching Code of Conduct/Ethics has been developed to clarify and define standards of professional, ethical, and moral behavior from coaches affiliated with the Coral Spring Chiefs Recreational Lacrosse Program (CSC) and its governing organization, the South Florida Youth Lacrosse Association (SFYLA).

### **ARTICLE I - RESPONSIBILITIES TO PLAYERS**

1. Coaches shall not place the value of winning over the safety and welfare of players.
2. Coaches agree to be properly prepared for each practice and to show up on time or early to each practice session.
3. Coaches shall instruct players to play within the Laws of the Game and within the spirit of the game at all times.
4. Coaches shall not seek unfair advantage by teaching unsporting behavior to players.
5. Coaches shall not encourage, condone, or tolerate inappropriate behavior from players in any situation.
6. Coaches shall not encourage players to violate any Law of the Game or any rule of competition established by CSC and SFYLA.
7. Coaches shall not encourage, condone, or permit any player to violate any bylaw, rule, or policy of CSC and SFYLA.
8. Coaches shall not discourage, deter, or deny players the right of advancement to participate in training or competition at a higher level.
9. Coaches shall direct players to seek proper medical attention for injuries and to follow instructions received from health care professionals regarding treatment and rehabilitation.

### **ARTICLE II - RESPONSIBILITY TO OPPONENTS**

1. Coaches shall afford to opponents the respect expected by the Law of Game and the spirit of UYSA competition.

2. Coaches shall not encourage, condone, or permit any player to engage in conduct with the intent of causing injury to an opponent.
3. Coaches shall not engage in any physical or verbal confrontation with any opposing player, coach, or supporter.
4. Coaches shall not scout an opponent except in sanctioned competition in places open to the public.

### **ARTICLE III - RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE GAME**

1. Coaches shall be aware of the Laws of the Game and shall adhere to the letter and spirit of the Laws of the Game.
2. Coaches shall provide instruction to players on the meaning and application of the Laws of the Game.
3. Coaches shall accept the responsibilities of team leadership and shall be accountable for the conduct of the players, team officials, and spectators affiliated with their teams.

### **ARTICLE IV - RESPONSIBILITY TO OFFICIALS**

1. Coaches shall extend respect and courtesy to match and competition officials.
2. Coaches shall not incite players, team officials, or spectators into conduct towards officials that is contrary to the Laws of the Game.
3. Coaches shall not make demeaning or derogatory comments or gestures directed towards any official.
4. Coaches shall use their influence and authority to deter inappropriate conduct by supporters towards officials and opponents.
5. Coaches shall employ only methods authorized by the Laws of the Game, the rules of the competition, or the policies of CSC and SFYLA to pursue review of decisions by match or competition officials.

### **ARTICLE V - RESPONSIBILITY TO CSC AND MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS**

1. Coaches shall agree to undergo background checks as part of their association with the CSC and understand that the CSC can revoke coaching for any reason based on the results of the background check.
2. Coaches shall comply with the rules, policies, and procedures established by CSC and SFYLA.

3. Coaches shall become aware of the rules, policies and procedures of CSC and SFYLA regarding player eligibility, team eligibility, and league rules.
4. Coaches shall refer disputes, appeals, and disciplinary reports to proper authorities as designed by CSC and SFYLA.
5. Coaches shall not encourage, condone, or permit any player, team official, or surrogate to violate any bylaw, rule, or policy of CSC and SFYLA.

## **ARTICLE VI - RESPONSIBILITIES REGARDING RECRUITING**

1. Coaches shall comply with rules and policies pertaining to registration and player recruitment.
2. Coaches shall not solicit or encourage the transfer of any player currently registered to another Member Organization.
3. Coaches shall not knowingly, recklessly, or negligently misrepresent or defame programs associated with other coaches, teams, or member organizations.

*I have read this Coaching Code of Conduct and Ethics. I understand its requirements and agree to abide by the letter and spirit of this Code of Coaching Ethics. I understand that the CSC can revoke my coaching duties at any time during the season if they feel I have violated any of the above code of conduct and ethics.*

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Coach's Name

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Division Name

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Coach's Signature

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Date