

# Roanoke Youth Sports

## Players and Parents/Guardians Code of Conduct

Roanoke Youth Sports (RYS) requires that all of our players and parents/guardians represent the organization in a positive and respectful manner. We have built a fantastic soccer program and want to maintain the values of good sportsmanship, teamwork, and friendship during the upcoming season.

A successful season will depend on the relationship between league officials, coaches, parents/guardians, players, and referees.

- RYS encourages dialogue between their Board of Directors and any party. If you have any questions or complaints, please contact the Board at 437-8210.
- Coaches need to teach the basics of the game, maintain good sportsmanship, control their players, and ensure a safe environment exists for the participants. They will sign their own code of conduct.
- Parents/guardians need to make sure that their players are physically ready for practices and games. They need to avoid openly criticizing coaches, opponents, or referees, instead they should voice concerns to their coach or RYS officials. Parents/guardians can be a key ally in the effort to maintain good sportsmanship. They should encourage such behavior in their players.
- Players need to listen to their coach, support their teammates, and respect their opponents.
- On the field, the referee will be the symbol of authority and often the most likely target of criticism. Their job is a difficult one. They are human and mistakes will be made. Verbal, physical, or mental abuse of the referees will not be tolerated.

With this in mind, Roanoke Youth Sports requires that all players and parents/guardians read and sign this code of conduct document.

I agree to:

1. Maintain a positive attitude and show respect to my teammates and opponents.
2. Never use foul or abusive language.
3. Treat all coaches and referees with respect.
4. Remember that good competition begins with fair play.
5. Always exhibit positive behavior while at a practice or match.

I acknowledge that I have read, understand, accept the terms of, and will do my best to fulfill the terms of the code of conduct. I understand that by not upholding the terms of this code, I may be asked to stop participating.

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Player's signature

Date

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Parent/Guardian signature

Date