



NEW YORK SOCCER CLUB

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The Coach will always be the Role Model for the team and needs to uphold the CORE values of New York Soccer Club, the Team and themselves at all times.

Our core values include four key values that you should consistently review and implement.

1. **COMMITMENT** – Commit to developing every player and your team to the best of your capability. Coach in a manner you would expect the best to be coached.
2. **OWNERSHIP** – Be the leader of your team and an ambassador for the Club. Be honest, be sincere, be confident.
3. **RESPONSIBILITY** - Be accountable to each other and most importantly to the players. You are accountable for both our actions and our results.
4. **EXCELLENCE** - Strive for 100% perfection and never compromise on quality or take the second best approach.



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General Expectations

1.1 Coaching Is a Position of Trust. At all times as a NYSC coach, I will be a positive role model for my players and will maintain personal integrity and dignity at all times. I will develop mutual trust with every player, and treat all with fairness.

1.2 Be a Role Model Beyond Soccer. Soccer is a great opportunity to teach players positive values in life. Conduct yourself in a similar manner have a positive attitude, never use profanity, spit, make obscene or crude gestures, or engage in or encourage inappropriate behavior or conduct at any point.

1.3 Create a Fun Environment Where Players Develop as Individuals. Strive to make every session a fun and positive learning experience. Players should look forward to coming to training and leave happy.

1.4 Be a Teacher. Being a coach is first and foremost a position to teach. I will strive to teach all players the technical, tactical, physical and psychological components of soccer. In doing so, I will also have the players take responsibility for their own development and actions.

1.5 Implement NYSC's Club Philosophies. The Club's primary goal is **PLAYER DEVELOPMENT. THAT MUST INCLUDE ALL PLAYERS.** Coaches need to ensure that practice sessions are focused, well constructed and meaningful, and appropriate for the level and age of the players.

1.6 Create Consistency and Clarity. Prior to the season, set the standards you require from the players for training sessions and games. Be clear and concise. Let them know training sessions are first and foremost for learning. Be consistent in the handling of issues. Do not ever embarrass or negatively criticize a player. Never demean or isolate a player for criticism in front of the other players. Always provide constructive feedback. Be consistent with all players at all sessions.

1.7 Enforce Sportsmanship. Uphold the highest levels of sportsmanship and fair play at all times.

1.8 Create an Environment of Respect . Show respect at all times to everyone we are in contact with – Players, Parents, Opponents, Referees and Officials.



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On Field Expectations

3.1 Timeliness. Coaches should always arrive a minimum of 15 minutes prior to the scheduled arrival of players for a training sessions or event, and 15 minutes prior to scheduled player arrival time for games, to ensure adequate time for organization and session set up.

3.2 Session Preparation. For every session delivered the coach should always ensure that a written session plan is designed following the NYSC Curriculum. All plans must be completed within stipulated timelines.

3.3 Dress Code. Coaches must always wear current NYSC coaching or other NYSC uniforms when conducting a training session and games.

3.4 Equipment. Coaches should always ensure that they have the correct equipment to deliver the session. The equipment must be organized and clean. Balls should be inflated. Pinnies must be washed weekly.

3.5 Safety. Coaches should always provide a safe playing environment for every session. This includes checking the playing field for potential hazards, ensuring goals are weighted down and that every player safely leaves the session with an approved guardian. No player should ever be left on their own. Coaches should ensure they have a medical kit with them and key emergency contact numbers

3.6 First Aid. Coaches should also ensure that they have the required first aid supplies at hand and that they are aware of the correct first aid procedures. Coaches must ensure players have appropriate gear to play or practice, including shin guards, proper cleats, etc.

3.7 Adhere to Rules. Coaches should be fully aware of the rules and regulations of both the leagues and tournaments that the teams/groups play in.

3.8 Referee's Call Is Final. A NYSC coach should never question the decision of a referee under any circumstances. Coaches may speak with the referee in a calm manner at half time or after the game. Any discussions that are in any way confrontational are not acceptable.

3.9 Uphold Core Values. A NYSC coach should always embrace the values of positive coaching and ensure that fair play, sportsmanship and the laws of the game are always adhered to. When coaching a game – sit where possible.



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4.1 Ambassador of the Club. As a coach, your conduct reflects on the Club. A NYSC coach should place the needs of the Club above those of any specific team, At all times you are representing the principles and philosophies of the Club.

4.2 Equitable Treatment. Coaches need to avoid creating a scenario where any one member of the parent body receives additional or preferred access to the coach, including members of the NYSC management team.

4.3 Wear Badge with Pride. NYSC coaching uniform should only be worn when coaching or representing the organization at a session, game or event.

4.4 Professional. Coaches should NEVER consume any amount of alcohol on the same day that a coaching session is being performed. Coaches should not be seen wearing any NYSC uniform when consuming alcohol. Additionally coaches should NEVER coach with signs of previously being under the influence of alcohol. Similarly NO SMOKING or consumption of recreational drugs.

4.5 Continue Learning. Coaches should be 'students of the game' and make a commitment to professional development as an ongoing process.

4.6 Be Timely. Coaches should always adhere to timelines that are set for administration tasks.

4.7 Social Network. Coaches should NEVER connect with players or parents through internet or other social networking sites/forums, unless specifically endorsed by the Club. Furthermore, no reference or information that may jeopardize the integrity of NYSC should be made. Coaches should be mindful of the interactions over social networks since this is directly attributable to the Club as a Club ambassador.

4.8 Media Shy. Coaches should NEVER discuss any element of NYSC, the teams, players or their NYSC role with the media unless authorized.