SHEPPARTON UNITED SOCCER CLUB

Player Code of Conduct

Players understand that as an integral component of their registration, they must maintain a standard of behaviour and conduct themselves in the best interests of the game and their team, Coach, Club Officials and the Shepparton United Soccer Club and Football Victoria.

Any breach of this code may be subject to immediate disciplinary action by authorised Football Victoria Inc. (FV) personnel and / or pursuant to FV constitution, regulations, policies and by-laws including the Grievance, Disciplinary and Tribunal (GDT) By-Law. Sanctions include suspension or exclusion from the club.

All players agree to the following:

I will play by the laws of the game.
I will refrain from arguing with any official. If I disagree, I will follow the appropriate avenue to have my concern addressed effectively and appropriately.
I will control my temper and display good sportsmanship at all times.
I will be honest with the coach concerning illness and injury and ability to train and compete to the best of my ability.
I will accept defeat with dignity. Nobody wins all the time. I will learn to lose graciously. I will not seek excuses for defeat, genuine reasons will always be self-evident. Winners will be congratulated with good grace. I will not blame the referee or anyone else.
I will treat all participants as I would like to be treated. I will reject corruption, drugs, racism, violence and other dangers to our sport.
Bullying within the Shepparton United Soccer Club is strictly prohibited. This includes physical, verbal, indirect, intimidation, social alienation and cyber bulling.
I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
I will cooperate with my coach, teammates, referees and officials.
I will always control my temper and not retaliate, even if I disagree with a decision. I understand that displays of temper will not be tolerated on or off the field.
If I am substituted and will no longer take to the field, I will remain on the bench until the completion of the match.
I will never speak to the media without the consent of the President.

I will assist the club with any help they may need and when called upon to help, I will do so without complaint.
I will pay all fines that the Shepparton United Soccer Club receives due to my accumulation of yellow cards or red cards.
If a family member or associate of a Shepparton United Soccer Club player is issued a penalty through Football Victoria whilst attending a club fixture, they will be responsible for covering the fine.
I will ensure that I follow the instructions of the trainer for my own benefit and for the benefit of the team.
I will always remember: ***NO ONE IS BIGGER THAN THE CLUB.***