



## 2020/2021 Player/Parent Agreement One Year Agreement

(Signing Date – April 30, 2021)

### INTRODUCTION

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The following agreement defines what the club expects from its members and will answer some questions you may have about the club procedures and the decision-making process.

Club Soccer is a year-round commitment and you will train approximately 38-45 weeks out of the year (depending on the team). During the periods of time off, you are responsible, as an athlete, to maintain your fitness level and keep your skills up by training on your own.

#### Players Responsibility:

**Player Initials** \_\_\_\_\_

- Always give 100% effort to try and improve your skill level for your own benefit and the benefit of the team.
- Remember that training only twice a week will not make you a great player; you must practice on your own as well.
- As important as soccer is to all of us, schoolwork comes first. Do your very best in the classroom.
- Commitment to your team entails placing all other recreational activities secondary.
- As a student of the game, you must be able to accept constructive criticism as well as praise from your Coach, and work to improve in the areas suggested by the Coach.
- All team decisions by the Coach are based on what is best for the team. Be positive in fulfilling your role as a member of the team even if that role has you playing a different position or as a substitute on match days. Always support what is best for your team.
- If you have any concerns, feel free to discuss this with your Coach and/or your Team Administrator directly. They are there to help you and work with you.
- Arrive on time with required equipment as set forth by your Coach. Proper soccer gear is mandatory for all training and match days. You will not be allowed to participate if you do not have the proper gear. Players must arrive to practice at least 10 minutes before the scheduled start and must have with them cleats, shin guards, and drinking water.
- If you are late to training sessions or games, your playing time on match day could be reduced (at the discretion of the Coach).
- You are responsible for informing your team manager if you cannot attend training and/or match day.
- You are obligated to follow all rules as set forth by Invictus Athletic Club, Coast, Cal South, USSF, FIFA Laws of the Game and all team specific rules.
- You have a responsibility to your team, in preparing for a match, to have proper rest/sleep, food, and liquids before matches.
- You are to refrain from yelling out negative criticism to your teammates during games & practices. All players will limit their comments to only encompass encouraging words towards their teammates.

- I will participate in soccer drug and alcohol free.
- I will respect everyone involved in my soccer experience: parents, coaches, teammates, officials, and opponents; because without them, there wouldn't be a game.
- I will remember that coaches and officials are there to help me. I will accept their decisions and appreciate the challenges of their position.
- I will never use violence or bad language, nor will I harass players, coaches, officials, or other spectators. I will express my disapproval in an appropriate manner to the proper officials and Invictus Athletic Club contacts.
- I will respect the facilities that I use with my team: fields, schools, restaurants, hotels, and washrooms.
- I will remember that winning isn't everything, and to control my temper when things aren't going my way. Having fun, improving skills, helping my teammates become better players, and doing my best are more important than winning games.
- I will remember to be a team player, because soccer is a true team sport.

**Parents Responsibility:****Parent Initials \_\_\_\_\_**

- Ensure your child attends all practices, games and team functions.
- Agree to pay all Club and Team Fees on time and in full.
- There are no refunds of club fees if you decide to quit playing during the season. The commitment is for the full season.
- The Team/Club budget is an "estimated" budget that is done several months before the start of the season. As circumstances change throughout the year, the budget is also subject to change.
- Fundraising money will stay with the team and not be refunded, should you decide to leave.
- Make sure your child is picked up promptly at the end of practice.
- Follow all rules as set forth by Invictus Athletic Club, Cal South, Coast, CYSA USSF, FIFA and all team specific rules.
- At times Coaches will make decisions or give instructions that you as a parent may disagree with. In this situation you are expected to support the team and refrain from voicing your opinion in front of the players (including your own child) and other parents. You are welcome to contact the Coach or Team Administrator to discuss the matter at least 24 hours after the incident.
- You should always communicate first with your Team Administrator, then your Head Coach or Assistant Coach.
- The Club is run by volunteers, there is a continual need for volunteers and it's expected that all parents support Invictus Athletic Club by giving volunteer hours when requested. Additionally, there will be certain events throughout the year that will require your participation.

- I will not give instructions during a match. Although well intentioned, “Go”, “Send the ball”, “Shoot”, etc. are instructions and should not be given during the game. It is important that players not be distracted at practices and during games by listening to multiple instructions from the sideline. Please leave the coaching to the coaches.
- I will attend Invictus Athletic Club events alcohol and drug free.
- I will remember that children play soccer for their enjoyment, not mine.
- I will never question an officials/coaches decision in public.
- I will never use violence or bad language, nor will I harass players, coaches, officials, or other spectators. I will express my disapproval in an appropriate manner to the proper officials, club and Invictus Athletic Club contacts.
- I will be held responsible for the actions of my guests.
- I will remember that children learn best by example, and will demonstrate good sportsmanship and applaud all good plays by teams.
- I will take an interest in my child’s team by taking turns supervising and assisting at tournaments and team functions.
- I will have a positive attitude towards soccer and will emphasize the cooperative nature of the sport.

**TEAM TRAVEL**

During the course of the soccer season, teams will participate in away games. It is the responsibility of the player’s parents to arrange transportation to these games. In certain cases, the team may participate in a travel tournament that will require the team to stay overnight. The Team Administrator will make suggested travel arrangements in advance. Travel costs are the parent’s responsibility and are not part of the club fees.

**FINANCIAL COMMITMENT****Parent Initials** \_\_\_\_\_

There are three different levels of fees, club fees, team fees and player fees.

- Club Fees cover the overhead and infrastructure costs of running the club. After the costs are determined for the year, the club expenses are split up among the players. These are, but not limited to, coaching and training fees, field rental and maintenance costs, field lighting, field rental through various organizations, player insurance, club advertising/marketing, club website as well as other club operating expenses.
- Team Fees consist of tournament fees, coach travel costs, referee fees and various team equipment. This fee will vary from team to team depending on the amount of tournaments, travel, etc.
- Player Fees consist of the cost of the team uniform package, Cal South registration (I.D. Cards), etc.
- Your Team Administrator will give you the budget showing the club, team and individual fees. These fees combined will make up the estimated cost for the year before the season starts. This amount will vary from team to team.
- All fees must be paid in payments based on a set schedule.

If disciplinary action is necessary, the following steps may be taken:

1. The Coach will discuss the problem directly and privately with the Player.
2. If the problem persists, the Coach and/or Team Administrator will communicate with the player’s parents to discuss the problem and lack of response on the player’s part. Parents will have the opportunity to be involved with the correction of the problem at that time.
3. If the problem persists, playing time may be affected, or the Coach may temporarily suspend the Player. If the situation warrants, the Coach may ask a player to leave the Club. No refunds will be given if such action is taken.

All athletes, club and team staff must fill in and sign the Invictus Athletic Club Membership Waiver and Code of Conduct form and return it to the chapter or club contact responsible for registration. All athletes under the age of 18 will be required to have a parent or guardian sign the waiver form. An athlete and parent/guardian must sign the Membership Waiver form after the Signing Date to make an official commitment to the club. The Membership Waiver Form and Athlete Code of Conduct/Club Commitment Forms are the ONLY agreements recognized by Invictus Athletic Club. No further communication or contact from other clubs can be made with an athlete once they have signed. The athlete is committed to that club for a minimum of one season (Signing Date – July 31 2020).

**CLUB AND MEMBER COMMITMENT**

I agree to abide by the policies and procedures of Invictus Athletic Club. As a member of Invictus Athletic Club I shall uphold the high standards of Invictus Athletic Club and shall never do anything to damage the reputation of Invictus Athletic Club I also understand and agree that any violation of this contract may results in the immediate termination of my membership.

**PRIVACY POLICY**

By providing Invictus Athletic Club with your personal information on this membership form and/or the on-line registration system, you are giving consent to Invictus Athletic Club to collect and use your personal information for the purposes as set out in the Invictus Athletic Club Privacy Policy.

Any pictures taken of Invictus Athletic Club members can and may be used by the club on all media platforms.

I HAVE READ THE 2020/2021 PLAYER/PARENT AGREEMENT AND I AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL RULES AND POLICIES. AT THE END OF THIS SEASON, MY COMMITMENT TO THE CLUB AND THE CLUBS COMMITMENT TO ME IS MUTUALLY COMPLETE. A NEW SEASON WILL REQUIRE A RENEWAL OF THIS FORM.

PLAYER NAME (print) \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PLAYER SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN (print) \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_