



Arena Soccer Player Agreement

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I. GOVERNING BODY

- A. The Director in charge of sports shall serve as League Director and has final authority to make decisions pertaining to all Adult Arena Soccer rules and regulations.
- B. The Santa Maria Valley YMCA Sports Department shall determine the number, variety, and types of leagues provided.

II. SCHEDULES

- A. Teams must play at the time, place, and date specified. **No Exceptions.**
- B. No schedule changes are allowed. If a team has a special problem in regards to night of play, or match time, the manager should note the problem on the preliminary roster prior to registration. **No Guarantees.**

III. ELIGIBILITY OF TEAMS AND PLAYERS

- A. No player will be allowed to play if they are not on the official roster (located at the Santa Maria Valley YMCA Administrative Office).
- B. If a player is found to be illegal, when the error is noticed, the game will be forfeited. An opposing team's protest is not needed if the department finds the error.
- C. Teams may carry a maximum of sixteen (16) players. Only players on the roster will be considered eligible to play.

IV. TEAM REGULATIONS AND EQUIPMENT

- A. Staff is required to lock up the arena if a game is forfeited. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- B. First- Aid Kits are to be provided by team managers.

V. GAME RULES

A. REFEREES

1. Disrespect toward a referee or other official of the league may result in expulsion from the field, spectator area, and/ or league. The referee should be able to officiate the games in an atmosphere free of harassment to allow his/ her full concentration to be directed toward the game being played.

B. MANAGERS

1. Managers are responsible for their players & spectators.

VI. PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT

- A. **NO PLAYER SHALL:** At any time lay hand upon, shove, strike, or threaten an official. Officials are required to immediately suspend player from further play and report such player to the League Director. Such player shall remain suspended until the League Director has considered his/her case.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension from two league games, placed on probation for the remainder of the season.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspension for life and/or assault charges filed.

- B. **NO PLAYER SHALL:** Be guilty of objectionable demonstrations of dissent at official's decision.

PENALTY: The degree of the infraction of the tenet of good sportsmanship shall in the official's judgement draw:

MINIMUM PENALTY: Warning from the official.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game.

- C. **NO PLAYER SHALL:** Discuss with an official in any manner the decision reached by such official except for the manager or captain.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Warning by the official.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the match.



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- D. NO PLAYER SHALL: Be guilty of physical attack as an aggressor upon a player, official, or spectator. Officials are required to immediately suspend player from further play and report such player to the League Director. Such player shall remain suspended until the League Director has considered his/her case.
MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension from two league matches, placed on probation for the remainder of the season.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspension for life and/or assault charges filed.
- E. NO PLAYER SHALL: Be guilty of an abusive verbal attack upon any player, official, or spectator. Officials are required to immediately suspend player from further play and report such player to the League Director.
MINIMUM PENALTY: Placed on probation for the remainder of the season.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspension from two league matches and placed on probation for the remainder of the season.
- F. NO PLAYER SHALL: Be guilty of discussing publicly with spectators in a derogatory or abusive manner of any play decisions of his/her personal opinion of other players during the game.
PENALTY: Officials are required to warn players guilty of infraction of this rule, and failure of such player to comply will result in removal from the match.
- G. NO PLAYERS OR MANAGERS SHALL: Be guilty of using, playing, or have knowledge of any illegal player, or player using an assumed name.
MINIMUM PENALTY: Two- match suspension.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: One- year suspension.

VII. SPORTSMANSHIP POLICY

- A. TEAMS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE BEHAVIOR OF THEIR FANS.
- B. **CODE OF CONDUCT**
1. Managers are responsible to see that their players are familiar with the "Player Code of Conduct" and all league rules.
 2. The manager shall be the official representative of his/her team unless he/she designates one of the players as team captain prior to the game.
 3. It is mandatory that each team provides a game ball to be used during their game time.
 4. If ball is kicked out of arena, player who did so is required to retrieve ball while clock is still running and team is playing shorthanded.

VIII. PROTESTS/FORFEITURES/REFUNDS

- A. **FORFEITURES**
1. In the opinion of the officials, the manager does not have control of his players during a match.
 2. Continued harassment of the officials.

I have read and understand the agreement and accept the terms and conditions set out in this agreement.

Print Name

Signature

Date