



CAMPBELL RIVER YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

POLICY FOR DISCIPLINE

The purpose of CRYSA's Discipline Policy is to ensure the conduct of players, coaches, referees, parents and other volunteers, who are involved in any soccer activity (games, practices, fundraisers, travel, team socials, etc.) are in accordance with our Mission Statement and enhance the safety of all.

Misconduct can involve coaches, players, referees, parents or spectators. It may take the form of abusive language, rude gestures, refusal to obey rules and guidelines, refusal to follow a coaches direction, fighting or intent to injure. Whatever the form of misconduct, it is to be reported to the Chair of the Discipline Committee. Reports to the Chair of the Disciplinary Committee should include names, dates, times, witnesses, and reasonable detail of the incident causing the report. The Chair and the Discipline Committee will deal with incidents on an individual basis.

Players who misbehave on the field may be given red or yellow cards from the referee. These players may be called upon to appear before the Disciplinary Committee, who has the power to impose penalties such as suspensions and possibly fines. Suspensions are normally handed out in accordance with the BC Soccer Association Disciplinary Guidelines. This discipline can apply to a coach, director, player, parent, volunteer or referee.

Drugs and Alcohol

The use of and/or possession of drugs and/or alcohol shall not be tolerated in any activity associated with Youth Soccer. Breaches of this rule shall be dealt with on an individual basis by the Discipline Committee.

Smoking

Smoking cigarettes on school property is also prohibited. Under the new school bylaws, individuals caught smoking on school property may be fined if caught by an enforcement officer.

Three Strike Rule

The Three Strike Rule applies to players, coaches, parents and directors. If the conduct of a player is inappropriate and a coach is unable to deal with that player, the coach may institute the Three Strike Rule. The player is given formal notice that his/her behavior is unacceptable. A letter is sent out to initiate the First Strike. If he/she is given a Second Strike notice due to their unacceptable behavior, a second formal letter is sent out in which they must appear in front of the Discipline Committee and hear the case against them. If a Third Strike is issued the player is notified in writing that his/her membership with our association is terminated. He/she will be suspended from all Youth Soccer activities without refund of registration fees. The Three Strike Rule also applies to coaches, parents and directors.