



# WOODBRIDGE SOCCER CLUB

## FAIR PLAY CODE

Without fairness, sport is devoid of any meaning or purpose. Fair Play is a universally understood concept and is also a philosophy – one of respect for others, and respect for the institution of sport. It leads to an agreement, between all those involved in sport, on the values and lessons that we want sport to teach our children, and ourselves.

Playing fair is about making choices. As we interact with each other in sport, or as spectators of sport, we must regularly consider and define what we think is right and what is not. Sport engages us in a collective effort to pursue human excellence. Sport allows for the opportunity to interact with others in a healthy competitive environment.

For children, the ability to make good choices about fair play issues matures along with their ability to think and learn about what makes for a rewarding and fulfilling life in society.

### **Fair Play Code**

1. I will participate because I want to.
2. I will play by the rules, and in the spirit of the game.
3. I will control my temper and resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
4. I will respect the rules, officials and their opponents.
5. I will respect my opponents.
6. I will do my best to be a true team player.
7. I will remember that winning isn't everything, having fun, improving skills, making friends and doing my best is also important.
8. I will acknowledge all good plays/ performances – those of my team and of my opponents.
9. Actions speak louder than words. I will ensure that both on and off the field behaviour is consistent with the principles of good sportsmanship.
10. I will act to promote fair play at all times.
11. I will enjoy the game, be friendly and try to improve my skills every game.
12. I will not discriminate on grounds of race, gender, or sexuality.