

Burnaby Selects Soccer Club
Code of Conduct

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The Burnaby Selects Code of Conduct has been developed for review and agreement by parents, players and coaches in conjunction with commitment to the Burnaby Selects Soccer club.

The Burnaby Selects are a metro level club representing the city of Burnaby. Players, Coaches, Managers and Parents are expected to conduct themselves in an appropriate and courteous manner representing the Burnaby Selects and Burnaby and not bring discredit to the club or city.

Players

Commitment

- Provide 100% effort at all team training and games
- Arrive at training and games with the proper rest, focus and attitude
- Wear the official team gear at training and games and take responsibility for all team gear and equipment
- Commitment is to the Burnaby Selects soccer club. This takes priority over other sports and activities unless other wise approved by your coach

Attendance

- If you cannot attend a training session or game you are required to contact the coach and/or manager in advance of the session or game and provide an appropriate explanation

Communication

- The Burnaby Selects will communicate with players/parents mainly through email and/or the Burnaby Selects website. It is the responsibility of the player and/or parents to have a proper email system that is checked regularly
- Communication to the coach by players or parents should occur at the appropriate time. Please do not discuss issues with coaches during training sessions or games. A mutually beneficial time should be scheduled to discuss player or club matters
- Report to the coach all injuries, special medical conditions or special circumstances that may affect you during training or games
- If you have an issue outside player development, speak to the team manager

Sportsmanship

- Realize, accept and practice the principle that the Burnaby Selects soccer club and team reputation are built on sportsmanship, courtesy and manners of each player in addition to the teams playing ability.

Dress Code

- Burnaby Selects Club provided uniforms and tracksuits must be worn for **all** games, tournaments and provincials. Jersey's are for game use only. Any gear for **Club** use should be handled by the uniform person of the club. Any additional team items must be approved by the board. No exceptions. It is important that there is club identification and branding.

Playing Time and Selection

This is a Metro level program that is based on player performance. Player selection and playing time is at the discretion and final decision of the team head coach, and depends on his assessment of the player's current ability, attitude, and levels of effort and commitment (including the commitment to train hard twice a week). Taking such things into account, coaches will strive, with no *guarantees*, to play players for at least a half game for most of the regular league season. However, it does not apply to Coastal and Provincial Cup play, and may not apply to the closing weeks of the league season if Coastal Cup seeding is on the line.”

- Team coaches will discuss player performances and areas of improvement at appropriate times with players and parents
- Lack of respect for these guidelines, or lack of respect directed at the coach by players or parents may affect participation with the Burnaby Selects soccer club

Sportsmanship – Respect for the Opposition and Officials

- A team's reputation is built not only on playing ability but also on sportsmanship
- Players should be gracious and respectful in victory and defeat
- Players should refrain from commenting on decisions during the play of the game. The team captain may address the officials during the game but only within the provisions of the rules, and in a courteous and respectful manner
- Any comments regarding officiating by a player will be taken seriously and may result in action
- The use of abusive language or profanity, humiliating remarks, and/or gestures or ill temper will not be tolerated

Travel – Respect for Opposition and Facilities

- Please be aware that in representing the Burnaby Selects and city of Burnaby there is an expectation that you will respect not only the opposition players, but also the opposition facilities. This includes cleaning up after yourself after all games and keeping any guest opposition facilities in the state they were found. Any violation of this will not be tolerated

Player Discipline

- 1) Use of a substance (drugs, alcohol, or if under 18, tobacco) or possession of a substance, or both use and possession, is cause for immediate dismissal
- 2) Persistent irresponsible and disrespectful behaviour is cause for dismissal
- 3) Destruction of property or violation of provincial law is cause for dismissal
- 4) Failure to comply with any and all team rules (attendance, dress codes, and schedules) may be cause for disciplinary action. Persistent failure will be cause for dismissal from the Burnaby Selects soccer club for the remainder of the current season and could affect a player's future participation.
- 5) The Burnaby Selects soccer club retains its rights to impose additional penalties for any violation of points 1-4

Team Travel

- All teams are to travel as a group, including players, coaches, managers and technical staff
- All players are to travel to and from games in full Burnaby Selects team gear
- Teams should be travelling with a goal of success, so a positive attitude, appearance and mature behaviour is expected at all times and will be enforced

Parents

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- Report to the coach all injuries, special medical conditions or special circumstances that may affect your son during training or games
- If you have an issue outside player development, speak to the team manager

Game Time Preparation and Play

- The field area and coaches sideline area are for the teams and officials only
- All parents/spectators should be on the opposite side of the field to coaches/player sidelines
- Parents can support the team, but are not to instruct the players. Allow the coach to coach, the referee to officiate and allow your child to play and enjoy the game

Sportsmanship – Respect for the Opposition and Officials

- Encourage your child to be respectful and gracious in victory and defeat
- Parents refrain from speaking to officials. Do not openly question judgment and their honesty
- Any comments regarding officiating by a player or parent or staff will be taken seriously and may result in action. Burnaby Metro Select SC has a “zero tolerance” policy with regards to abuse and harassment of Referees and Assistant Referees.
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Coaches

- Coaches must consistently display high standards of behaviour and experience be a role model for players, parents and spectators
- Coaches must place the well being and safety of each player above all other considerations, including the development of performance
- Coaches must adhere to all guidelines laid down within the Constitution and the Rules of the BCSA
- Coaches must develop an appropriate working relationship with each player based on mutual trust and respect.
- Coaches must encourage and guide players to accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance
- Coaches must ensure at the activities they direct or advocate is appropriate for the age, maturity, experience and ability of players
- Coaches should, at the outset, clarify with the player (and, where appropriate, their parents) exactly what is expected of them and also what they are entitled to expect from their coach
- Coaches must co-operate fully with other specialists (e.g. other coaches, officials, sports scientists, doctors, physiotherapists) in the best interests of the player
- Coaches must always promote the appropriate Code of Conduct and positive aspects of the sport (e.g. fair play) to players, parents and spectators alike. Never condone violations of the Laws of the Game, behaviour contrary to the spirit of the Laws of the Game

"PLEASE RETURN ONLY THIS PAGE TO THE COACH"

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We hereby affirm that we have read the Code of Conduct, that we agree with it and that we promise to abide by it.

Parents, players or coaches that do not agree with the Code of Conduct choose not to participate with the Burnaby Selects soccer club.

Signature of parent

Print name of parent

Signature of player

Print name of player

Signature of coach

Print name of coach

Date: _____

Player Acceptance

Players are not considered accepted until full payment is received, any balance from previous seasons is settled, and the code of conduct is signed and returned to the team coach.

Refunds

In the event a player decides to quit playing for his team, the club will refund his fees based on the following formula:

- Any costs associated with team apparel and equipment bags, BC Soccer, Select league and District affiliation fees, are non-refundable.
- The balance of the fees will be refunded on a pro rated formula, to be determined by the Club, based on remaining games. No refund will be given after January 1st of the current season.

Cancellations must be made in writing or email and will be dated once received.

Cancellations due to medical reasons will be reviewed by Board on an individual basis