

MSC DISCIPLINARY

WHY DO WE NEED DISCIPLINARY

- **Soccer is regulated by laws and rules**
 - **The Laws of the Game (FIFA)**
 - **JLYSSL Rules of Play**
 - **Zero Tolerance Policy for Physical and Verbal Abuse**
 - **Parent's Pledge**
 - **Coach's Pledge – coaching and sideline behavior**

WHAT DO WE DO

- **Disciplinary Committee**
 - **Reviews complaints, concerns from individuals club or league, gather information from all parties in a dispute, mediate or conduct hearings**
 - **Reports findings**
 - **May initiate disciplinary proceedings against any player, team official, referee or spectator**
- **Confidentiality**

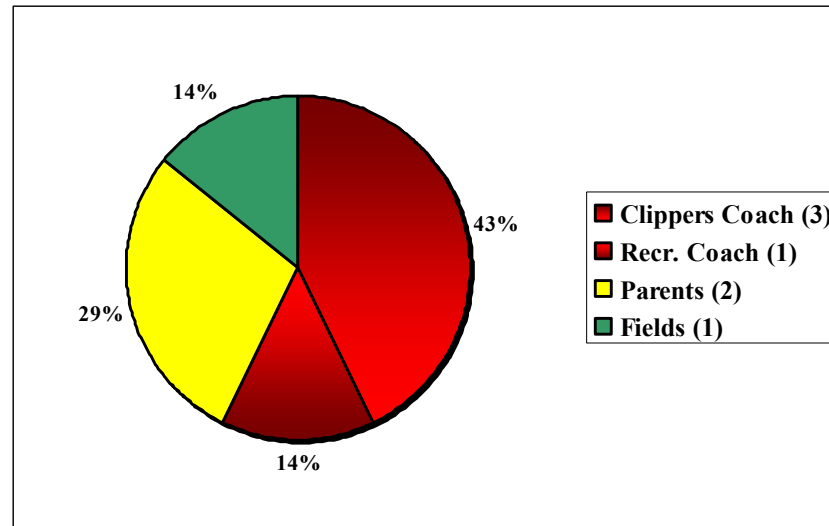
WHO WE ARE

- **Disciplinary Committee**
 - **Disciplinary Chair**
 - Reports directly to MSC President
 - Conducts investigation
 - Writes report
 - Recommends disciplinary action
 - **Committee Members**
 - Registrar
 - Referee Coordinator

MSC DISCIPLINARY REPORT

2008-2009

Number of Complaints Received by MSC Disciplinary



PLAYERS

CODE OF CONDUCT

PLAY SOCCER FOR THE FUN OF IT

- **Respect Coaches**
- **Respect Teammates**
- **Respect Players on Other Teams**
- **Know and Obey the Rules of Soccer (FIFA Rules)**
- **Control Temper at All Time**
- **Accept the Results of a Game**
- **Respect the Equipment and the Playing Field**
- **No Tobacco, Drugs or Alcohol**

PLAYERS

Cautionable Offenses

1. unsporting behavior
2. dissent by word or action
3. persistently infringes
4. delays the restart
5. fails to respect distance
(free kick, corner kick, throw in)
6. enters or re-enters the field
7. deliberately leaves the field

Substitutes: 1,2 and 4

Sending-Off Offenses

1. serious foul play
2. violent conduct
3. spits at anyone
4. denies a goal or goal-scoring opp. by del. handling the ball
5. denies goal-scoring opp. by an offense punishable by a free kick or penalty kick
6. offensive, insulting or abusive language or gesture
7. second caution in same match

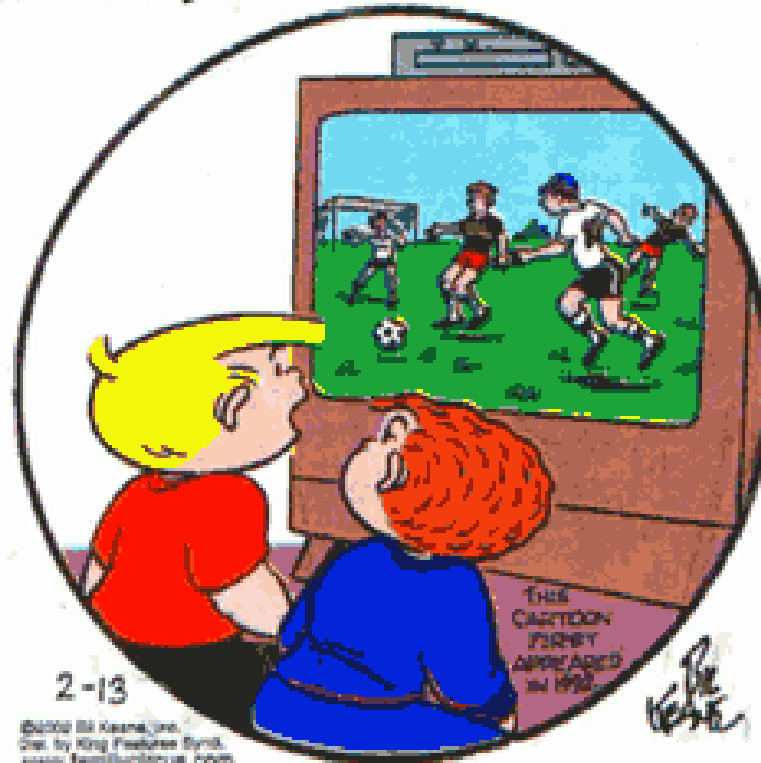


PARENTS

CODE OF CONDUCT

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**"The reason they can play that good
is their parents aren't yelling at
them from the sidelines."**

PARENTS

CODE OF CONDUCT

REMEMBER THAT SOCCER IS ONLY A GAME

- **Show Appreciation Regardless the Outcome of the Game**
- **Let Behavior on Sideline Set Example for Children**
- **Learn the Rules of the Game**
- **Respect the Referees; Do Not Question Calls or Honesty**
- **Do Not Coach, Never Criticize or Ridicule Play**
- **Support Child's Coach**
- **Accept the Outcome of the Game**
- **No Tobacco, Drugs or Alcohol**

COACHES

CODE OF CONDUCT

FOSTER IN PLAYERS A LOVE FOR THE GAME

"developing character through youth sports"

Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA)

Almost every disciplinary action taken upon a Coach revolved around the following simple line of code of conduct:

- A Coach Should Not Criticize or Intimidate Players, Referees or Other Coaches**

COACHES

- **HOW TO TREAT A PLAYER (PCA)**
 - **EVERYONE PLAYS (Unless Ill, Injured, or Disciplined)**
 - **Never Yell at or Ridicule a Player for Making a Mistake or Loosing a Game**
 - **Never Use Foul or Abusive Language (Discuss Concerns in Private)**
 - **No Excessive Yell of Instruction to Players**
 - **Focus on Positive Aspect of Each Player Before, During and After Practice and Games**

COACHES

- **COACHE'S PLEDGE**
 - **Health and Safety of All Participants is Number One Responsibility**
 - **Never Place the Value of Winning Over the Safety and Welfare of Players**
 - **Support and Display a Positive Attitude Toward All Players, Coaches and Parents at All Times**
 - **Respect Opponent's Players, Coaches, Fans and Game Officials at All Times**
 - **Be a Positive Role Model and Set the Standard for Sportsmanship**

COACHES

- **SIDELINE BEHAVIOR**
 - **Coaches, Players and Spectators May Not Make Comments Toward or About Their Opponents and Their Play or Toward or About Referees and Their Decisions**
 - **Coaches Are Responsible for the Actions of All the Players on Their Sideline**
 - **Coaches Are Responsible for the Actions of All Spectators on Their Sideline**
 - **Coaching from the Sideline**
 - **Ejection from the Game**

COACHES

- **HOW TO TREAT REFEREES**

- **Coaches should fully support referees by ...**

...defending the referee's call with players, parents and other coaches even if the coach is convinced that the referee made an incorrect call

- **WHY?**

- **Because Referees are Human**

COACHES

REFEREE DIRECTIVES - GOOD TO KNOW

Tactical Fouls and Red Card Tackles

Tactical Fouls (Yellow Card)

- Don't necessarily endanger the safety of an opponent
- No *hard* physical contact
- At the attacking end of field to prevent ball and/or player from advancing (numerical advantage, time to defend)
- Defender knows he/she has been beaten

Red Card Tackles

- Careless tackle – no action
- Reckless – caution
- Using excessive force – red card

Managing the Technical Area

- Ask: irresponsible behavior – ask to stop
- Tell: another occurrence – inform the person, tell to stop
- REMOVE: if action continues – remove

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REFEREE DIRECTIVES - GOOD TO KNOW

Game Management Model:

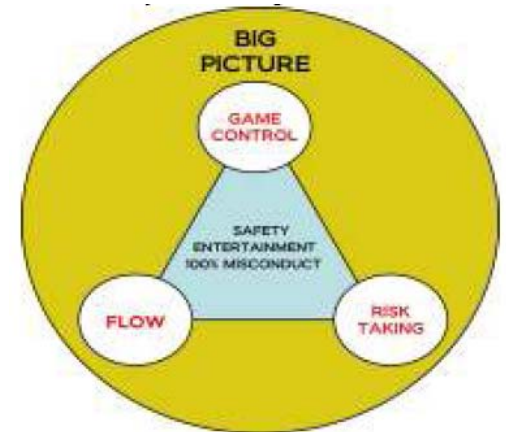
Flow, Risk Taking and Game Control

SAFETY: right mix of game control, flow and risk taking without endangering *safety*

“ENTERTAINMENT”: flow, fewer stoppage,
ball is longer in play

MISCONDUCT: obliged to deal with misconduct

- Trifling (not careless, reckless or excessive force)
- Advantage (skill level, age appropriate)



COACHES

- **IF YOU HAVE A “REFEREE ISSUE”**
 - **DO NOT CONFRONT THE REFEREE**
 - **JLYSSL Knows the Identity and Contact Details of Every Referee Assigned to Matches**
 - **Actively Work to Diffuse the Conflict**
 - **Submit a Report as Soon as Possible**
 - **Game Report**
 - **MSC Disciplinary**
- **IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER PROBLEM**
 - **Serious Problem Report**
 - **MSC Disciplinary**

RESOURCES

- **Resources**

- **JLYSSL**

- <http://www.jlysl.org>

- **Main page: Zero tolerance policy, Coach and Parent Agreement**

- **Rules: Rules of Play**

- **United States Soccer Federation**

- <http://www.ussoccer.com>

- **California Youth Soccer Assosiation (CYSA)**

- <http://www.cysanorth.org>

- **Respect - A Sideline Guide For Parents (TheFA)**

- <http://www.thefa.com/Respectguide/>

- **How to reach MSC Disciplinary**

- <http://montclairsoccer.pbworks.com> - disciplinary@montclairsoccer.org

QUESTIONS?