



“I am a member of a team, and I rely on the team, I defer to it and sacrifice for it, because the team, not the individual, is the ultimate champion”  
Mia Hamm

## PLAYER AGREEMENT

Players, you are a part of a team and a club, your actions reflect on your teammates and the rest of the Dubuque Soccer Club. Please play for the love of the game, the team and CLUB with a passion, creativity and commitment as to make your family, team and the whole club proud of you.

As a member of the Dubuque Soccer Club, you are responsible for your own performance and conduct. Honesty, communication, commitment and reliability will be expected at all times. The CLUB asks that you take care of yourself and the sport of soccer. This requires that you maintain a healthy lifestyle, a healthy team outlook and a personal sense of fair play. At all CLUB or team functions you will be expected to dress appropriately and conduct yourself in a respectable manner that will represent the CLUB and your team in a positive way.

The Director of Coaching and the coaching staff are responsible to create an environment where you can play quality competitive soccer. The type of soccer the DSC play will be taken seriously. We recognize that there are more important things in life than soccer. In terms of priority, family and school come first, always. However, if we as coaches do not expect a full effort from you, will we be fulfilling our commitment to you? So if we see that other activities are affecting your level of commitment and play, it will affect your playing time. As a playing member of the DSC we expect you to commit to the sport of soccer and your team as your first priority during the CLUB season.

Do not expect the coaching staff to praise everything you do well. After time there are things in soccer that will become second nature to you and the coach will automatically expect from you as you progress. There are times when the coach might say very little and let the players figure things out and times they might be more vocal as to draw out what the coach wants from the game or training session. There are times the coach will be more critical of a team’s or player’s performance and times they will be more generous with their praise. Either way the players and parents are expected to take the constructive criticism along with the praise and deal with both in an equal manner.

- The player will maintain a positive level of performance at School, sufficient to allow a commitment to the club to continue.
- The player will attend all training sessions, games and tournaments, unless life outside of soccer intervenes.
- The player will call the coach directly and leave a message if they are unable to attend any team function. If missing a function is of a more serious nature please have the parent call.
- The player will be on time, stretched and ready to play, equipment on, dressed appropriately in DSC gear for the training sessions and games.
- The player will treat the team’s training and games as a serious learning experience.
- The player will always give the coach and the staff their utmost respect. They will abide by all team and club rules.
- The player will always respect their opponents, game officials and parents, win, lose or draw. No player will taunt the other team or its spectators, nor argue with the referees or their assistants.
- The player understands that unsportsmanlike conduct, abusive or profane language will not be tolerated by the team or club.
- Fighting or physical violence will result in a club suspension; any further issues will result in dismissal from the club.
- The player will shake hands in a positive manner with the opponent after every game. Be gracious in victory and dignified in defeat.
- The player will understand the laws of the game and play by them.
- The player will support their teammates, coaches and all DSC teams and coaches.
- The consumption of alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs or any illegal activities will not be tolerated by the club.

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Player’s Signature	Date	Parent’s Signature	Date
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