



Heavens Eleven FC

On Field Code of Conduct

- As we interact with players, officials, and spectators, we should continually consider what is right and beneficial for everyone involved. Our children learn fair play and societal values through sport, and their ability to think critically about fair conduct grows with their overall personal development.
- The Heavens Eleven Football Club expects all affiliated individuals to conduct themselves in a manner that enables every player to reach their full potential and, most importantly, to enjoy the game. This Code of Conduct outlines the principles by which all members of the Club must operate. Non-compliance may lead to disciplinary action, including potential termination of membership for players and/or coaches or termination of employment for referees. Parents and other spectators who fail to comply may also face disciplinary measures.
- The Club reserves the right to amend this Code of Conduct without notice should the City of Toronto/Peel or the Ontario Soccer Association revise their by-laws or policies.

General

- Zero-tolerance policy: This aligns with City of Toronto and Peel Region guidelines to ensure a safe and enjoyable environment in all facilities, parks, and programs.

- Fair Play: All participants, players, coaches, referees, and parents—are expected to act in accordance with Heavens Eleven Football Club’s Fair Play Code.
- Respectful conduct: Abusive behavior and inappropriate communication are not acceptable.
- Prohibited language: Profanity is not permitted.
- Substance policy: Alcohol and other controlled substances are prohibited in all City of Toronto and Peel Region recreational grounds, including parking facilities.
- Smoke-free environment: Smoking is prohibited in playing and spectator areas.
- Maintenance and conduct: Keep fields and parks clean; respect municipal by-laws and nearby residents, including parking regulations.

Players

- Team-first cooperation: Players will cooperate with teammates and support fair play.
- Respect: Players will treat opponents, game officials, coaches, and spectators with respect.
- Punctuality: Players should arrive 15–30 minutes before game time, as directed by the coaching staff.
- Uniform readiness: Players should arrive in uniform, ready to play.
- Uniform standards: Shirts must be tucked in during play.
- Safety gear: Shin guards must be worn for all games and practices—no exceptions.
- Footwear: Metal cleats are not permitted in games or tournaments.

Coaches

- Role model: Coaches will model fair play, respect, and good sportsmanship throughout the season.
- Communication: Coaches will speak respectfully to players, officials, and parents.
- Player development: Coaches will provide constructive feedback to help players improve their skills.

Referees

- Impartial officiating: Referees will be officiated fairly, without bias.
- Rule adherence: Referees will follow the rules of their governing body.
- Professional conduct: Referees will treat players, coaches, spectators, and parents with respect.

Spectators

- Respect and courtesy: Spectators will treat players, referees, opponents, and fellow spectators with respect.
- Field boundaries: Spectators should stand on the opposite side of the field from players and coaches and must not enter the field during play.
- Safety distance: To reduce risk of injury, spectators should stay at least three meters from the field.
- Youth spectators: Those supervising young spectators must ensure they do not interrupt the game and remain well away from the field.

- Ball proximity: Spectators should not play with a ball closer than five meters to the field.
- Pets: Pets must be leashed where required by City of Toronto and Peel Region By-Laws; some fields prohibit pets altogether. If a referee deems a pet a nuisance, it must be removed immediately.