

Clarington

Soccer Leagues

Player Code of Conduct



The purpose of the following code of conduct is to create an inclusive and fair environment for all individuals and teams that participate in Clarington Sports Leagues (CSL) and Darlington Soccer Club (DSC). This includes but is not limited to Match Officials, League representatives, municipal staff and community members.

Participant Responsibilities

1. Treat all CSL participants, staff, and community members with respect. Be honest, fair, and considerate of others, while accepting responsibility for your actions.
2. Operate within sport rules, regulations, policies and standards provided by the Municipality of Clarington and DSC.
3. Understand the possible consequences of breaking the code of conduct
4. Report any breaches of conduct to the appropriate League Convenor and/or Program Coordinator.
5. Refrain from any form of abuse, harassment, inappropriate language, and/or discrimination towards others.
6. Refrain from being under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol when participating in CSL.
7. Provide and encourage a safe and welcoming space for all.
8. Be a positive role model for all teammates and observers.
9. Proof identification is required to process Ontario Soccer (OS) membership to participate.

Team Responsibilities

1. Refrain from using foul language, gestures, or physical altercations that may lead to conflict.
2. Act appropriately when supporting your team from the sidelines. Verbal or physical threats will not be tolerated.
3. The team captain should be easily identified. The team captain will be responsible for all communications with officials and will demonstrate respect for decisions that are made. No other players should approach an official unless directly approached.
4. Complaints about decisions, player issues, staff, and/or rules & regulations should be put into writing to a League Convenor and/or Program Coordinator.

Should a breach of conduct happen within CSL participation and immediate action is required, disciplinary action will be up to the discretion of the Officials and/or League Convenor. A follow up meeting with any players involved will be required to discuss any further disciplinary actions if required.

Following any inappropriate behaviour and/or breach of conduct, the player and/or team may be subject to disciplinary action as outlined below. The disciplinary action is up to the discretion of the League Convenor & Recreation Coordinator in accordance with the following guidelines.

Disciplinary actions that may be taken include, but are not limited to the following:

- Immediate removal from game
- Suspension
- Loss of matches
- Expulsion from the League
- Any other disciplinary action decided by the CSL & Darlington Discipline Committee

Disciplinary actions that involve removal, suspension, or expulsion from the league will not be subject to a refund.

All games will operate within the Constitution, Policies, Procedures, as well as the Rules and Regulations of Clarington Sports League, Darlington Soccer Club, Ontario Soccer, Canada Soccer, and FIFA.