

Zero Tolerance Policy

All COACHES/PARENTS/SPECTATORS must follow the SOCAL Soccer League <u>Code of Conduct</u> at all times during all SOCAL events. This General Code of Conduct outlines the expectations for behavior and conduct for everyone involved in our leagues and events.

All Club staff, including coaches and managers, should familiarize themselves with the <u>One and Done Policy</u>. This policy ensures that any instances of serious misconduct are dealt with swiftly and effectively to maintain the integrity of the sport.

If a PARENT/SPECTATOR is sent-off from a game, the parent will serve a minimum 3-game suspension to be enforced by the Club, team manager and team coach. A suspended parent that comes to a game during their suspension will result in the game being forfeited and the coach and manager being suspended from the next 3-games.

If there is a second incident of a PARENT/SPECTATOR send-off from the same team, the team will be placed on probation for the remainder of the season (including State Cup). A third incident will result in the team being dropped from the League.

If a COACH is sent-off from a game, the coach will serve a minimum 3-game suspension from coaching ANY TEAM IN THE Club that participates in the SOCAL League. A second coach send-off for the same coach will result in a 1-month suspension from coaching ANY team in the Club.

Referee abuse by a PARENT/SPECTATOR will result in the player of the offending parent/spectator being listed as ineligible for the remainder of the season from all games in SOCAL.

Issues involving parents from opposite teams that results in the game being stopped before it's completed will result in the game being a double forfeit and the next scheduled game will also be forfeited for each team, a \$500 fine charged to each Club and both teams will be placed on probation for the remainder of the season. Any further issues and the team will be dropped from the League.

PARENTS/SPECTATORS that verbally or physically assault any venue staff or SOCAL staff at any SOCAL event will have their player banned from participating in the League for the remainder of the season (including State Cup).

ANY PERSON who touches, confronts, chases, bullies, follows, cusses at, threatens, waits for, tries to fight, attacks or assaults a referee will be banned FOR LIFE from the SOCAL League

and will be turned over to US Club Soccer for further disciplinary actions.

The minimum suspensions for Major and Minor offenses are outlined in the <u>US Club Soccer</u> <u>Discipline Matrix.</u>