



M.A.A. is a volunteer-based non-profit organization. Its purpose is to offer athletic activities for residents of Merton and the surrounding communities. The goal is to introduce and expand knowledge of the sport, and develop appropriate-level skills and sportsmanship, in a safe and fun environment. Through athletics a child can develop focus, learn discipline, build determination and understand the "team" concept. A child with strong self-esteem is a child on track to success. **This code of conduct agreement is to provide guidelines for all involved to support a successful program. Thank you.**

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### Parent (Guardian) Code of Conduct Agreement & Photography Waiver

- I realize my child participates in sports for their enjoyment, not mine. Therefore I will encourage him/her to participate, not force him/her.
  - I will focus on my child's efforts, performance and improvement, not on winning or losing.
  - I will encourage the children to always play according to the rules and to settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
  - I will never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a competition.
  - I will remember M.A.A. is a volunteer organization. All coaches and managers are unselfishly giving their time.
  - Children learn best by example. I will appreciate good performance and skillful plays by all participants, including those of the opponents.
  - I will remember that officials are necessary. I will respect official's decisions and teach my child to do likewise.
  - I will respect the facilities of our opponents and M.A.A.
  - I will remember; if the children aren't learning, having fun and trying their best, we're missing the goal of M.A.A.
- In addition, by signing below I grant M.A.A. permission to use photographs of my son or daughter in any M.A.A. publication and/or on its web site.

Players name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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### Coach Code of Conduct Agreement

- I will ensure that ALL of my players are treated fairly and equally. Never publicly "call out" or criticize a player for a mistake. Instead, publicly praise and cheer good effort and performance.
- I will display control, respect, dignity and professionalism to all involved. This includes officials, opponents, coaches, parents and spectators. I will model enthusiasm & positive team spirit.
- I will teach good sportsmanship and lead by example.
- I will emphasize teamwork, my team will think "we" instead of "me".
- I will help and teach the sport to all players all season, never give up on anyone.
- I will treat all players fairly and equally. All players deserve equal training.
- I will make sure the behavior of my players & fellow coaches is always appropriate.
- Make sure all coaches are instructing and reinforcing the same things to the players.
- I will respect the facilities of our opponents and M.A.A.
- I understand the rules of the game are for safety and league specific development. I will not alter these rules in any way.
- I will remember; if the players aren't learning, having fun and trying their best we're missing the goal of M.A.A.

Coach \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_