Hosted Hilo AYSO Region 274 Hilo, Hawaii, USA

2022 Volcano International Soccer Tournament

Sportsmanship Criteria

Tournament Participants,

One of the core values of AYSO is a respect for fellow players, family members, coaches, and referees. Demonstrating sportsmanship during the tournament is how we all are able to express this respect for one another. Sportsmanship can vary in the manner it is expressed, whether it be a player helping another whom is down, parents cheering on an opponent, or everyone thanking a referee. The demonstration of respect is at the heart of them all. The Volcano International Soccer Tournament would like to thank everyone for their participation in this event and for making sportsmanship a focus of both this weekend and going forward.

On the back of every 2022 Volcano International Soccer Tournament game card is a list of sportsmanship criteria for players, coaches, and spectators. Next to each criterion are two boxes: “Yes” and “No”. During the course of the game every referee is required to complete these forms by placing a check mark in one of the two boxes for each criterion. The maximum points a team can obtain during a single game is 32.

During the course of a game behavior by a team, player, coach (head, assistant, or substitute), or family member not consistent with the policies of AYSO will affect the team’s “Sportsmanship Score” for that game. In addition, failure to show up to a game or forfeiture of a game will result in the reduction of a team’s potential score as well. A team receiving below 26 points for a game will not receive a sportsmanship point for that game, limiting their maximum score to 9 points (win=8, shutout=1, sportsmanship=0).

Please refer to the tournament Rules and Regulations for more information.

The criteria listed on the back of each Volcano International Soccer Tournament card can be found below.

Players

Respect for Teammates and Coaches

On time and properly equipped. Cooperate with teammates and coaches (no arguing, negative comments, etc.) Concentrate on best efforts, team play and encouraging teammates.

Respect for Opponents

Acknowledge good plays and sporting gestures. Treat opponents with respect. Win with humility and grace; accept defeat with dignity. Shake hands and make positive comments at end of game.

Respect for Officials

Respect referee calls and decisions in actions and words. Thank referee/field monitors at end of game.

Respect for the Game

Know and play by the Laws of the Game (no free kick infringement, time wasting, etc.). Play with skill rather with undue force. Follows uniform code. Clean team area before departing.

Coaches

Respect for Players

Encourage and support players' best and fair efforts. ONLY positive, instructional and encouraging comments. Allow players to play and think for themselves. Maximize playing opportunities for all.

Respect for Opponents

Acknowledge good plays. Maintain and encourage sporting behavior of self, supporters and players through words and actions. Win with humility and grace; accept defeat with dignity. Congratulate and thank opposing team and coaches at game end.

Respect for Officials

Respect referee calls and decisions. Encourage players and spectators to respect referee calls and decisions. Remain in team area unless asked onto the field by the referee. Cooperate with Volcano International Soccer Tournament officials.

Respect for the Game

Know and encourage playing by the Laws of the Game. Players are organized and ready to play, including substitutions. Encourage self-control and fair play of players.

Spectators and Supporters

Respect for Players and Coaches

Cheer positively for efforts of both teams. Encourage teamwork and fair play at all times. Support coach decisions with silence or positive comments. No coaching of players – let the coaches coach.

Respect for Officials

Respect referee calls and decisions. Cooperate with Volcano International Soccer Tournament officials. Remain in designated spectator areas.

Respect for the Game

Maintain self control and decorum at all times. Acknowledge that soccer is a GAME and that best efforts of all are to be applauded. Show by actions and words that the purpose of the Volcano International Soccer Tournament is understood, respected and supported.