



Select Players' Off-Field Code of Conduct

As a registered player representing South Carolina United FC for the 2023-2024 soccer league year, I acknowledge it is a privilege to represent this Club and my community. Realizing and understanding the importance of doing so in a responsible and respectable manner, I absolutely agree as follows:

1. **I will not drink alcohol at any time, place or location.** I fully understand I am under the legal age to do so and I understand the club has a zero-tolerance under-age drinking policy which forbids me to do so. In the event it is determined by school officials, law enforcement or any coach of this club that I have consumed alcohol, I fully understand I will be suspended for a minimum of four consecutive matches inclusive of training, practice and all club activities for a first offense, and one full season for a second offense. After each suspension, I shall be required to enroll in and commence participation in an alcohol abuse rehabilitation program before I am able to return to play soccer for South Carolina United FC.
2. **I will not smoke, use marijuana nor any other illegal drug or controlled substances at any time, place or location.** I fully understand use of non-prescription drugs and controlled substances are against the law. I understand the club has a zero-tolerance drug policy which forbids me to do so. In the event it is determined by school officials, law enforcement or any coach of this club that I have taken illegal drugs or controlled substances, I fully understand I will be suspended for a minimum four consecutive matches inclusive of training, practice and all club activities for a first offense, and one full season for a second offense. After each suspension, I shall be required to enroll in and commence participation in a drug abuse rehabilitation program before I am able to return to play soccer for South Carolina United FC.
3. **I will not steal other persons' property at any time or otherwise commit a crime at any time, place or location.** I understand the club has a zero-tolerance theft and crime policy which forbids stealing or committing a crime. In the event it is determined by school officials, law enforcement or any coach of this club, that I have taken another's property with intent to steal it or to have otherwise committed a crime, I fully understand I will be suspended for a minimum four consecutive matches inclusive of training, practice and all club activities for a first offense, and one full season for a second offense. After each suspension, I shall be required to enroll in and commence participation in a pre-trial intervention program before I am able to return to play soccer for South Carolina United FC.
4. **If I am suspended and/or expelled from school, I fully understand I shall also be suspended from South Carolina United FC related activities.** When I am re-instated in school, I will be permitted to resume my activities with South Carolina United FC provided however, that if the school disciplinary action was the result of violations of #1, #2 or #3 above, I understand I must serve the match suspensions and satisfy the rehabilitation requirements outlined above for such violations before I can return to the team. This only applies to out-of-school suspensions and expulsions.
5. **I fully understand that I am 100% accountable for my own behavior and the decisions.** I make and if I chose to engage in any of the above forbidden activities or engage in conduct that causes me to be suspended or expelled from school, I understand I am actually choosing to be disciplined as outlined herein and thereby bring dishonor upon myself, my parents, my teammates, my coaches, my Club and my community. In addition, I fully understand I will be forfeiting all monies paid to the Club through that time and my parents and I shall still be responsible to pay (1) all balances due (if any) to the Club and (2) my pro rata share of all Team Fees incurred by the team through the end of the current season.
6. **I fully understand the Club encourages self-reporting of such violations.** To that end, I fully understand that should I/we feel I/we need counseling help to correct one of the above mentioned addiction and/or behavioral problems before school officials, law enforcement or a coach of this club discovers a violation of this Off-Field Code of Conduct, I/we should immediately engage the services of a certified mental health care professional, schedule counseling sessions and thereafter notify either of our Directors of Soccer. In the event such proactive measures are taken by a parent or legal guardian, the Directors of Soccer shall have discretion to reduce the match/training/practice/event suspension penalties for a first offense violation as set forth in paragraphs #1, #2 and #3 above.

(Signatures of all registered players are required on reverse side as a condition of participation for the Fall 2023 and Spring 2024 Seasons)

2023-2024 Select Player Off-Field Code of Conduct (Continued from Front Page)

Team Name: _____

Coach: _____

Team Manager: _____

Date Submitted: _____

By my signature below, I agree to accept and adhere to the published 2023-2024 Select Player Off-Field Code of Conduct.

Player's Name (please print clearly)

Player's Signature

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This form **must also be signed** by any player who transfers into the Club/onto the team following the team meeting.

The original of this form is due to Club no later than August 31, 2023.

Form can mailed to SCUFC, PO Box 2082, Columbia, SC 29202 or dropped off at SCUFC Office (455 St. Andrews Rd., Columbia, SC, Bldg B, Suite 3)