

# ALBERNI ATHLETICS SOCCER CLUB (AASC)

## TOURNAMENT ATTENDANCE POLICY

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#### 1. OVERVIEW

The Alberni Athletics Soccer Club (AASC) recognizes the importance of and encourages all of its teams to participate in tournaments throughout the season.

#### 2. PURPOSE & RESPONSIBILITIES

This policy applies to all AASC coaches, team managers, players, and other members of the AASC who are involved in a tournament while representing the AASC. When AASC teams participate in tournaments and travel, they must remember that they are not only representing their team, but the entire Club. Therefore, it is important that AASC is informed when its teams are travelling to participate in tournaments, whether local or abroad.

Players must be supervised at all times when travelling to out-of-town tournaments and their whereabouts known in case of an emergency. The coach must have a list of contact information for each player/parent/caregiver/guardian, including any necessary supporting information (i.e. Travel consent, medical information, health insurance, etc.) prior to the event.

#### 3. COMPLIANCE:

All AASC teams are required to notify and seek approval from the AASC Executive (via email to the AASC Administrator) of their intentions to enter a tournament prior to their registration.

The AASC Executive reserves the right to deny teams the right to participate in tournaments if:

1. The tournament is not sanctioned by the governing soccer body (i.e. BC Soccer, Canada Soccer).
2. The team entering the tournament has failed to represent themselves and/or AASC in a manner that is becoming to all involved.
3. The team is travelling without a Club-approved coach.
4. It is in the opinion of the AASC Executive that the tournament being considered is not in the best interest of the players, the team, or the Club.

Following approval from the AASC Executive to register, the coach or team manager for any team that registers for a tournament while representing the AASC must communicate the following details to the AASC Administrator:

1. Confirmation of tournament registration, including tournament entry details such as name and location of tournament.
2. A team roster that will confirm players are registered with the AASC and are an up-to-date participant with BC Soccer.
3. Confirmation of a current Criminal Record Check for coaches and team manager, completed with AASC.

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When teams travel, the coach is ultimately responsible for the conduct and safety of all players. The AASC Coaches and Parent Codes of Conduct provides the guidelines and expectations of all coaches, managers, and parents/caregivers/guardians. The associated duties may be shared with assistant coaches, managers, and parents/caregivers/guardians but the coach maintains the final responsibility and therefore has the final word in all decisions.

Coaches, team managers, and parents/caregivers/gurdians must comply with the current AASC Coaches and Parent Codes of Conduct, and this policy.

Failure to comply with this policy may result in disciplinary action, including but not limited to suspension from coaching duties or other Club activities. All members of the AASC are expected to adhere to the guidelines set forth in this policy.

**4. REVIEW:**

This policy will be reviewed annually by the AASC Executive to ensure its effectiveness and compliance.

