

Pinelanders Youth Soccer Club

Field Rules

Please help to keep our club safe, healthy and pleasant by observing these few rules while at the fields.

1. **BMOD.** There will be a Board Member on Duty (BMOD) at the fields at all times when games are being played. The BMOD is responsible for management of Club operations during his/her period of duty.

2. **Smoking.** Pinelanders' objective is to promote healthy activity for children. In keeping with that objective, it is Club policy that no person directly associated with the club may smoke while at the fields in any official capacity. This applies to, but is not limited to: players, coaches, game officials and Board members. In the interests of all our children we ask parents and spectators to disassociate smoking from sport by smoking only away from the fields.



3. **Alcoholic beverages etc.** Possession of alcoholic beverages, controlled substances or weapons is strictly prohibited.

4. **Dogs.** For health and safety reasons, no dogs are allowed on the field in the periods immediately before, during or after games.



5. **Litter.** Please place litter in garbage cans, and use recycling cans where appropriate. If you see litter on the ground, please help by picking it up.

6. **Coaches & Spectators: Positioning & Actions.** During a game, coaches and teams are limited to "technical areas," defined as within 10 yards of the mid-field line, on their own side of the mid-field, as chosen at the beginning of the game. For small-sided fields, coaches are limited to their chosen side of the mid-field but must not enter the "6 yard" area.

Spectators and teams are to be on opposite sides of the fields during a game – that is, both teams must be on one side, and all spectators must be on the other side.

A map of the fields is posted on the bulletin board to help you to recognize the designated spectator areas.

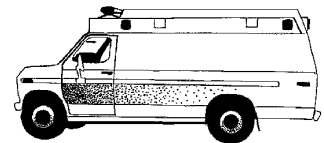
Coaches are encouraged to let the players learn by playing the game, and not to provide excessive coaching instruction during the game. Spectators are encouraged to cheer for the whole team, and not to "coach" their own children during the game.

No spectators or coaches will be allowed to run the length of the field to coach players during a game.

7. **Coaching.** No more than three people may coach a team from the coaches' area. The BMOD may, at his/her discretion, reduce the number to two people.

8. **Spectator conduct.** Pinelanders will not tolerate verbal or physical abuse of any person, on or off the field of play. Any person who engages in such conduct will be ejected from the fields. Note that vocal dissent is regarded as abuse.

9. **Car parking.** Please park courteously and safely. It is essential that we maintain clear access to the fields for emergency vehicles through the entrance near the green trailer. If no designated parking spaces are available, please use the **overflow parking at the Memorial Middle School**, next to our fields. Please use the access gate to reach the school parking lot. Pinelanders reserves the right to have inconsiderately parked cars towed.



10. **Climbing on equipment.** Climbing on or hanging from goals and other soccer equipment is prohibited.

11. **Further information.** See the Rules of Play & Conduct for more detailed information.

Thanks for your co-operation!