

# MVLA Soccer Club

## Field Manual

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### **Section 3: Good Neighbor Policy**

The Mountain View-Los Altos Soccer Club (MVLASC or MVLA) is affiliated with the Foothill Youth Soccer League, within District 2 of the California Youth Soccer Association-North (CYSA). We are also recently affiliated with US Club Soccer through our umbrella Foothill FC. MVLA may, in the future, also affiliate with other sanctioned soccer organizations and playing leagues according to the decisions made by its Board of Directors.

As the club continues to grow, MVLA is committed to maintaining good relationships with the community - especially those neighbors most impacted by soccer games, practices and other club activities. Therefore, we require team officials, players, parents, and others attending MVLA events to abide by the following good neighbor policies. Moreover, MVLA teams are responsible for their guests' or opponents' behavior at all games, scrimmages, jamborees, kick-arounds, tournaments, etc.

#### **Speeding:**

When traveling to and from MVLA events, please observe the posted speed limits on neighborhood streets.

#### **Parking:**

Please park all vehicles only in designated parking areas. If on-street parking is allowed, please do not block driveways and do not litter.

#### **Noise, Loud Music and Foul Language:**

Use common sense when dealing with noise your activity generates. Early morning activities should generate minimal noise. Fields very near homes demand special attention; seat your fans away from homes if the specific rules for your field allow. Boom boxes or sound systems are not permitted at any MVLA function without prior approval and/or permit. At no time will unsportsmanlike language be tolerated.

#### **Tobacco Use and Liquor:**

CYSA policy "discourages tobacco use within 25 yards of any CYSA affiliated activity involving youth players." And, state law prohibits smoking on school grounds by anyone at any time. Under no circumstances shall liquor be present or consumed at any MVLA activity without permit.

#### **Soccer Balls Over the Fence:**

Any ball kicked over a homeowner's fence should not be retrieved during a game or a practice. Players or parents may not climb fences. After a game or practice, a team-credentialed adult may request permission of the homeowner to retrieve a ball. If permission is denied or the homeowner does not respond at the front door, the ball should not be retrieved. Do not trespass; it is neither neighborly nor legal.

#### **Trash:**

Please use available receptacles for your trash. If the public receptacle is full, take your trash home. Please do not litter school grounds, fields, restrooms, parking lots or neighborhood streets. Be sure to monitor fan- and visitor sides for litter. All coaches and managers are expected to carry extra garbage bags as a fall-back to field-owner provided receptacles.