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### **Parent's Code of Conduct**

We, the Executive Committee of the St. Croix Track Club, Inc., have implemented the following Sport Parent Code of Conduct to convey the important message about the proper role of parents in supporting their children in sports. Parents should read, understand, and sign this form prior to their children participating in our meets. Any parent guilty of improper conduct at any meet or practice will be asked to leave the sports facility and be suspended from the following meet. Repeat violations may cause a multiple-meet suspension or the season forfeiture of the privilege of attending all meets.

The essential elements of character building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles:

- trustworthiness,
- fulfilment of commitment
- respect,
- responsibility,
- fairness,
- caring, and
- good citizenship.

The highest potential of sports is achieved when competition reflects these “six pillars of character.” I therefore agree:

1. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that athletics is for youth, thus I will not force my child to participate in sports, but help keep him/her consistent to their commitment.
2. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
3. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy.
4. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy and by demonstrating positive support for all athletes, coaches, officials, and spectators at every meet, practice, or other sporting event.

5. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, athlete, or parent, such as booing or taunting, refusing to shake hands, or using profane language or gestures.
6. I will teach my child to perform by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
7. I will demand that my child treat other athletes, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect.
8. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard and make my child feel like a winner every time.
9. I will always maintain a supportive and positive attitude, refraining from ridiculing or yelling at my child or any other participant for making a mistake or losing a competition.
10. I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
11. I will respect the officials meet administrators, and their authority before, during, and after meet.
12. I will always address any concerns or questions privately with coaches, avoiding public discussions or confrontations during or after meets or practices, especially in the presence of my child or other parents.
13. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.
14. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during meets and practices unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.
15. Show support and respect for the team at an event by wearing the club uniform.

I also agree that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines at practices and meets, I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to the following:

- Verbal warning by meet official, head of delegation, and/or head coach.
- Parental meet suspension
- Game Unsportsmanlike Conduct penalty assessed against team
- Team event forfeit through the official or coach

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/Guardian Signature