

Bullying Policy

Wellesley Soccer Bullying Policy

Wellesley United Soccer is committed to providing a safe, friendly and caring soccer experience to all its players. Bullying of any kind is unacceptable and should be reported. Any member of our community, players, parents, and coaches, can come forward to report any inappropriate behavior.

What is Bullying?

Bullying is the use of aggression with the intent to inflict harm either physical or emotional. Examples of bullying include:

- Physical bullying: punching, hitting, pushing or the use of any kind of physical violence
- Emotional bullying: teasing, name calling, sarcasm, excluding, sending hurtful text messages, pulling pants/shorts down, hiding/stealing other players equipment
- Sexual: inappropriate physical contact or sexually abusive comments
- Racist: names, remarks, taunts, gestures, graffiti
- Making fun of others that may not have “made” the same team (e.g., the Division 1 team)
- Other forms of behavior intended to inflict harm, embarrass or intimidate others

Bullying can happen on the soccer field during games, practices and tryouts but can also happen in the car to and from practice, in school, on the playground or even within other sports. Members of our community are held to the highest standards and any form of bullying will not be tolerated. If you are aware of any bullying happening either being committed by or against any of our players, please report it. Please notify coach first but if you do not get a response, please contact the Age Group Coordinator ([Contact list](#)) or an appropriate Wellesley United Soccer Board Member ([Directors](#)).