



2020/2021 Player and Parent Agreement

Introduction

Welcome to Atlético NV! In order to help answer questions and avoid potential issues or problems, we ask that each player and parent read, understand and agree to adhere to the policies contained herein.

Mission Statement

The mission of Atlético NV is to offer youth soccer in a club environment developed around the same principles and practices as other professional soccer clubs from around the world to compete at the highest levels of competition with a developmental goal to produce players for college level and beyond.

Our club is built on the three words of dictum and will be the cornerstone to our success.

Dedication: High level of commitment by which we hold our staff, players and parents at all times.

Passion: Positive emotion our staff and players carry on the training field and during competition.

Professionalism: High standard of conduct for our coaches, players and parents which represent our club.

High Expectations Achieve Success

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Playing Time

Atlético NV's coaches will distribute playing time by taking into account the nature and importance of each match in order to maximize both player development and team development, while still giving the team a chance to win. Coaches are asked to work with the director of coaching to rate each tournament/league and each match within each tournament/league based on following playing time philosophy:

Experimental Development – Playtime is equal for all players. Players may be given an opportunity to play unfamiliar positions, and creative playmaking is stressed regardless of outcome. Result of match is inconsequential.

Player Development – All players are given an opportunity to participate in the competition. Creative playmaking and risks are encouraged. Result of the match is not the coach's focus.

Competitive Play – More developed players will be given the majority of the playtime, with the expectation that all players will receive some playtime.

Highly Competitive Play – Coach will use the most developed players in order to secure the desired result. Some players may not participate.

The number of matches assigned to each level will vary widely among Atlético NV teams, and the development focus may change each match within a tournament or event depending on the circumstances. Prior to each event, coaches should communicate with parents to set your expectation of playtime. Playtime may also be adjusted on an individual basis based on practice attendance, game performance and discipline issues, if any.

Coach Rotation

The director of coaching will assign a head coach for every team each season. It is intended that the head coach remain in that role for the entire season, but various factors may necessitate a coaching change mid-season. The director of coaching will endeavor to make any offseason coaching change as seamless as possible.

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Tournament Schedule

Prior to committing to the year's tournament schedule, there will be an opportunity for parents to express opinions and provide input. However, once the schedule for the year is set, Atlético NV expects all players to honor their commitment to each other and to Atlético NV. All tournament fees will be divided equally among all team members **REGARDLESS OF PARTICIPATION.** There are no refunds for tournaments as they are paid as a team and paid ahead of time. Failure to pay tournament fees compromises the team's ability to plan and participate in tournaments and is grounds for suspension of the player's playing card.

Exceptions to this include: Atlético NV players selected to ODP, National Team, Professional Academy or a season ending injury certified by a medical professional. Atlético NV establishes special relationships with tournament directors and a teams' failure to participate in a tournament after they have been accepted can damage these relationships.

Sideline Behavior

Atlético NV does not allow coaching by parents or other spectators. No one on the sideline should instruct players or complain to officials during or after a game. Positive vocal support and encouragement are welcome during the game. Spectators should keep in mind that something as simple as "Shoot!" or "Pass It!" are interpreted as instruction and are not desirable. These instructions can be contrary to what the coach is teaching or has instructed the team to do. Atlético NV insists members of the coaching staff be the only voice at all games and practices. No one other than those listed in the official game rosters may sit on or near the team bench during games. From time to time, a coach may pull the parents in with the team for talks at half time or after the game, but please respect the space and privacy necessary for your coach and team to carry out their game responsibilities.

Parents and players should feel free to communicate with the coach and ask questions but should do so at the appropriate time. Players are encouraged to speak up and communicate for themselves as much as possible. Coaches are expected to communicate openly, honestly, and professionally with each player about their progress.

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Atlético NV encourages player-coach or player-parent-coach conferences at appropriate times during the year. The coaches also provide an annual written evaluation of each player.

Communication Policy

If a problem arises that a player and/or parent need to resolve, Atlético NV has a policy on how to effectively address it. All parents and players must **follow the 48 hour rule**, which means to take a minimum of 48 hours before initiating communication following a serious problem arising. If a problem still needs to be addressed after 48 hours, the parent or player should:

Discuss the problem with the coach. If not resolved then...

Discuss the problem with the director of coaching. If not resolved then...

Discuss the problem with the club director.

Managers are the conduits of information; coaches are the decision makers. They will work together to keep you informed of team plans and changes to plans when they occur. Most managers will communicate with team members via email/text. Emails should be used only to distribute factual information. They should not be used to air problems or to express opinions. Please do not copy Atlético NV club director or director of coaching on emails, as they will not respond to them.

Managers should not use email when an urgent message needs to get out to the team, as a telephone call or text message are the perfect means of sending urgent messages. Managers will also make sure that team members that do not use email are contacted in another way.

Financial Obligations

Each player registering with Atlético NV assumes three-part financial obligations: payment of **Club Fee, Team Registration,** and payment of **Team Account Fees**. Club fee includes annual club registration, facility rental fees, and mandatory secondary insurance. Team registration fee includes monthly coach's pay, monthly technical training, monthly strength conditioning, monthly goalkeeper training, coaches education, and operating expenses. Team account fees include team entry fees to

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various leagues and tournaments as determined by the team's coach and the director of coaching, coaches' travel reimbursement costs, and miscellaneous team expenses. Required home, away, training kits, and additional recommended club apparel cost are separate from club fees, team registration, and team account fees. Uniforms and club apparel are purchased through our online store provided by Score.

Payments in Arrears

Any parent failing to pay their registration fees shall be assessed a predetermined late fee five days after payment due date. Club registration payment due date is the 30th day of June. Players registering after the 30th day of June will be given 30 days to make payment in full. Should a player fall in arrears for either club registration fee payments or team account payments, the player may be suspended from play until accounts are brought current.

Refunds

Players may leave Atlético NV and/or transfer in accordance with the State of Nevada rules. In all cases when a player leaves Atlético NV prior to the end of the season all state paperwork must be filled out and signed. Team accounts are nonrefundable. For players leaving without suffering a season-ending injury or moving out of the area, refunds will be calculated per the following table:

Last Date to Play or Practice

Prior to June 15 June 15 to June 30 July 1 or after

Amount of Refund

100% of total registration fees paid to date 50% of total registration fees paid to date No Refund

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If a player is leaving because either the family has moved out of the area or the player has suffered a season-ending injury (supporting documents required), refunds will be calculated per the following table:

Last Date to Play or Practice

Amount of Refund

Up to September 30 (U12 and younger) Up to November 30 (U13 and older) 30% of total registration fees paid to date 30% of total registration fees paid to date

Player Code of Conduct

As a player, you are part of a team and a club and your actions reflect not only upon yourself, but your team, Atlético NV, and the rest of the Atlético NV organization.

Players and parents are expected to:

- Conform to the rules established by your team and Atlético NV
- Respect the coach's decisions and follow his/her instructions
- Avoid inappropriate behavior during practice, games, team or club sponsored events, tournaments, and travel;
- Follow Atlético NV's 48 hour rule on communication
- Attend practices, and games, and tournaments to which your team is committed
- Abide by travel rules of the team or Atlético NV, including attending team meals and team activities, traveling as a team, complying with team hotel room assignments, etc.
- Treat teammates, members of Atlético NV (including parents and family members), opponents, coaches, referees and other officials with respect.
- Care for your uniform
- Remember that under the rules of soccer, a coach can be ejected from a game by the conduct of a parent, or team can forfeit a game by the conduct of a parent
- Abide by field parking and usage rules; and
- Otherwise act in an ethical manner in all interactions with coaches and Atlético NV staff and refrain from exercising influence over coach decisions.

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Training and Game Field Rules

The use of the fields should be viewed as a privilege. You agree to abide by the following rules (to be added to or amended at any time with notice):

- Drive slowly
- Park only in designated areas
- Drop off or pick up in the parking lot not at the entrance to facility
- Stay in designated practice areas
- Pick up your trash and keep the area clean
- No dogs or other pets are allowed

The cost of repairing any damage caused to training, game facilities or equipment by a player or a player's family shall be the responsibility of the player and the player's parent, and they shall reimburse Atlético NV for repair costs paid by Atlético NV to the City of Henderson, the City of Las Vegas or any other city/state.

Travel Policy

Atlético NV assumes no responsibility or liability whatsoever for travel associated with club training, practices, league or tournament play. Atlético NV has a policy that coaches should not transport players unless accompanied by another adult. Carpooling and other cooperative transportation arrangements solely involve players, and parents and Atlético NV is not involved in said travel arrangement nor is Atlético NV in any way responsible for making such arrangements. Accordingly, parents and players who have reached the age of majority, expressly agree to hold Atlético NV, its officers, directors, and employees harmless from any and all liability stemming from, or arising out of, injuries or death related to the transportation of players to and from club training, practices, leagues, or tournament play.

As a player with Atlético NV, travel outside of Nevada is anticipated and expected; and all players will be required to participate in every event unless injured.

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Rules of Travel

Certain travel rules are club-specific, but other rules and guidelines can and will be set by individual teams. Travel rules for Atlético NV include:

- Players are expected to not smoke, drink alcohol, or use illicit drugs;
- Respect for fellow players, families, chaperones, and all others in authority;
- Respect for the property of others, including hotel property, etc. and respect for other guest and hotel staff;
- No costs will be levied against a room account without permission of a parent, chaperone, or other designated person;
- Curfew will be set by team coach, honored by all players, and supported by parents and chaperones;
- Team meetings, training, meals, and other activities set by the coach are mandatory and players are responsible for being punctual, with absence or tardiness limited to situations where prior permission has been given by the coach;
- Teams are expected to stay together in the same hotel whenever possible;
- As representatives of Atlético NV, decorum and manners are expected through the entire trip;
- Players are to travel as a team when instructed to do so;
- Players will not, under any circumstances, operate rental vehicles; and
- Dress requirements while traveling or at special events such as opening ceremonies at regional or national tournaments may be set and must be adhered to as instructed by the team coach.
- Additionally, families of Atlético NV players are also expected to observe club travel rules and any other applicable club or team specific rules while traveling and staying in hotels with an Atlético NV team.

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Violation

Most minor violations of the player and parent agreement will be resolved on the team level. Serious or unresolved violations should be reported initially to the coach who will then involve the director of coaching if deemed necessary. The director will conduct a review of the situation and make a final determination of what action, if any, may be appropriate. If action is necessary, the available options range from a caution or warning, to requiring a personal apology, probation, service work, suspension from playing or attending games as the case might be, a hearing to determine the relevant facts of the violation, or as a final step, expulsion from Atlético NV. A parent or player, in certain situations, including the removal of a player from Atlético NV, may request to hold a hearing before a committee appointed by Atlético NV to review the decision regarding the player. As a member of Atlético NV, you are responsible for your own actions, and will be held accountable for same.

We acknowledge that we have had the opportunity to have any of these rules explained to us to our satisfaction. We agree to abide by policies and rules in this agreement.

Player Name:	Team:	_
Player Signature:	Date:	
Parent/Guardian Name:	Team:	
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