

# **PLAYER'S PLAYBOOK**

## A. Player's Eligibility

- 1. Resident of Polo Trace in good standing as owner or renter.
- 2. Available to participate in a majority of the league matches and team practices through the full season.
- 3. Skill commensurate with the division level of the team.
- 4. Ability to participate in team communications (Slack, text, email, etc.)
- 5. Committed to team spirit and good sportsmanship.
- 6. Support captain and co-captain choices for lineups and scheduling. There is no "I" in TEAM.
- 7. Meet league requirements for players (age, gender, etc.)

# **B. Player's Code of Conduct**

- 1. Players representing Polo Trace in matches against other communities are ambassadors of our community values. Respectful conduct, good sportsmanship, and adherence to the rules is expected of every player.
- 2. Players will treat teammates, opponents, officials, and spectators with respect. Hostile language, discrimination, or unsportsmanlike behavior will not be tolerated.
- 3. Players are to demonstrate commitment to the team by attending practices, scheduled matches and team meetings. Repeated absences without prior notice or valid reasons may affect eligibility to participate on the team.
- 4. Players understand and accept that they will play in the matches and lineups that the captain and co-captain consider fair and appropriate.
- 5. Players must follow the official rules of the sport, avoiding behavior that could bring disrepute to the team or community. Honesty and respect are crucial. Players should avoid engaging in disputes over marginal line calls.
- 6. Players should treat home and away facilities with care. Clean up after matches, respect the rules of visiting clubs, and leave a positive impression on opposing communities.

7. Any disputes or concerns during matches should be reported to team captain (or co-captain) for resolution. Captains, not players are responsible for resolving conflicts on or off the court.

## C. Player's Responsibilities

#### **BEFORE THE SEASON STARTS**

- 1. Players should provide availability for matches to the best of their knowledge.
- 2. Players should observe and adhere to deadlines for registration and payment of league fees.
- 3. Players should observe team preparations (uniforms, payment of fees if applicable, practices, team meetings.)
- 4. Players need to accept team placement.

#### **DURING THE SEASON**

- 1. Players should try and attend matches when not scheduled to play. Having a cheering squad is great for team spirit and reinforcing team camaraderie.
- 2. Players should notify captains and co-captains right away of any changes to their availability during the season.

#### **THROUGHOUT THE SEASON**

- 1. HAVE fun!
- 2. Treasure the camaraderie and friendships with your teammates and enjoy the spirit of competition.

\*\*\* Failure to comply with the playbook/rules/processes/commitments may result in the removal from the team or further actions from the Polo Trace Swim & Racquet Board. \*\*\*

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