**Internet and Social Media Agreement**

This Internet and Social Media Agreement is for the benefit and mutual understanding of all Burnaby Football Club (BFC) Participants: Players, parents, coaches, staff, and directors. It is a privilege to be associated with BFC. In keeping with the BFC code of conduct, BFC directors, players, parents, coaches, and staff (all Participants) are expected to conduct themselves in a professional way, both in the real world and the digital world, always.

This agreement applies to the use of personally owned mobile digital devices or computers while being an active member of the BFC.

**PLAYERS AND PARENTS/GUARDIANS**: This section is more specific to players and parents/guardians, but much, if not all, the content applies to all Participants.

* I understand that accessing the internet and social media while representing BFC is a privilege and not a right. As such, I will not use my digital device during a game or practice without the permission of BFC staff or my Team Coach.
* I understand that I cannot livestream, take pictures, or video record other players, coaches or BFC employees/volunteers without their consent.
* I am ultimately responsible, and not BFC, for the safekeeping of my personal digital device, computer, and any other digital device I possess.
* I will not provide any kind of personal information about a coach, player, parent, or anyone else associated with BFC, including their name, address, telephone number, without that person’s permission.
* I will not use my personal digital device to aggress or bully another player, coach, parent, or any other member of BFC or opposing clubs.
* I will not use my personal digital device in a way that can reasonably be seen by another member of BFC to be rude, mean, or disturbing in nature.
* I will notify my Team Coach, manager, and or BFC if I am being peer aggressed or bullied online or if I receive rude, mean, or disturbing messages from anyone associated with BFC or any other opposing club.
* I will not write or post anything online using my personal digital device that I would not want a player, coach, parent, or any other member of BFC to see. This includes the use of profanity (bad language).
* As long as I am a member of BFC, I understand that this “Agreement” applies both on and off the field when using the internet, social media or any digital device.
* If I purposely break any of the conditions noted above, I will accept the consequences of BFC, which may include loss of privilege, playing time, suspension, dismissal, or other penalties as determined by BFC.

**BFC Staff and Volunteers: (including coaches, managers, contractors, or staff).** In addition to the guidelines above:

* I will always consider that a player may have a “reasonable” excuse for breaching one of the conditions mentioned above in this “Agreement”. If the excuse is reasonable, then there will be no punitive action taken. The Discipline committee may be consulted to review the excuse.
* I agree to set a good example when it comes to the use of the Internet, social media, and the use of mobile technology. Failure to do so would result in punitive action from the Discipline committee.

**BFC Players & Staff- Social Media Waiver & Release:**

* We grant permission to BFC the right to reproduce the photographs and/or video images taken of me, for the purpose of publication, promotion, illustration, advertising, or trade, in any manner or in any medium.
* I hereby release BFC and its legal representatives for all claims and liability relating to said images or video.
* Furthermore, I grant permission to use my statements that were given during an interview with or without my name, for the purpose of advertising and publicity without restriction. I waive my right to any compensation.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

We have read, understand, and hereby agree to abide by and support this BFC Internet and Social Media Agreement.