

UNION SACRAMENTO FC

Student-Athlete Social Media Policy

<u>Social Media – Athletic Code of Conduct</u>

Social media refers to internet-based applications designed to create and share user generated content. Any form of digital magazines, internet forums, web-blogs, podcasts, photographs, video, rating, and social bookmarking found on websites or applications such as Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, SnapChat, Tumblr, etc. that is open to public viewing is considered to be social media.

Union Sacramento FC student athletes are expected to conduct themselves in a respectable manner as a member of their teams and our program. As a student athlete you are responsible for your social media use. Any malicious use of social media platforms shall not be tolerated. Violations of this policy are subject to investigation and sanctions and are also subject to review by the club and its PAD committee. Any and all disciplinary measures may apply depending on the severity of the infraction. Malicious use may include, but not be limited to:

- 1. Posts that may bully, harass others or are inappropriate
- 2. Derogatory language or remarks regarding fellow athletes, students, coaches, administrators, faculty and staff of Union Sacramento FC or another club.
- 3. Demeaning statements or threats that endanger the safety of another person.
- 4. Incriminating photos or statements regarding illegal criminal behavior, underage drinking, use of illegal drugs, sexual harassment or violence.

As a student-athlete of Union FC or parents/legal guardians of a Union FC player by receiving this email/document we understand that we need to abide by all provisions contained within the Social Media Policy. Furthermore, I/we understand that a violation of said rules may result in loss of athletic privileges and/or suspension from participation.