

CLUB RULES - CONFLICT RESOLUTION

We are a Christian organization following Biblical principles of conflict resolution.

First, we will not gossip about perceived injustices. James 4:11 says "Brothers, do not slander one another." Gossip only hurts and breeds widespread discontent. It is preferable to solve the problem than to spread slanderous gossip.

Second, FISHE soccer seeks to apply the principles in Matthew 18: 15-17 as follows:

- First, talk to your coach without directly accusing anyone of wrongdoing. Your team's coach may have an answer or explanation (sometimes coaches talk before the game and iron out issues among themselves).
- If the coach is unaware of the problem, after the game talk directly to the person you think has done wrong.
- Only after you have addressed the issue directly with the responsible person(s), you may involve the coach, Field Coordinator, Commissioner, and as a final redress, the FISHE Soccer Committee.

REMEMBER our goals to honor God and respect others. As members of a Christian group, we must be careful not to gossip or harbor negative, ungodly feelings towards each other. If you think a situation is bad enough to gripe or gossip, you should talk with those directly involved.