Abbotsford United Soccer Club Rule of Two policy

An athlete, when in a potentially vulnerable situation, must be in the presence of not less than TWO team staff (Person in Authority) who possess the following:

- Valid Criminal Record Check;
- Recognized by the club as a team staff member for the current season;
- A minimum of one of the team staff must be the same gender as the player.



Team Travel:

AUSC Representatives and all members acting in a position of authority on behalf of our AUSC must the following policy guidelines and ensure implemention during travel with athletes:

• A Person in Authority may not be alone in a car with an athlete unless that individual is the athlete's parent or guardian.

• A Person in Authority must not share a room or be alone in a room with an athlete unless that individual is the athlete's parent or guardian.

• Room or bed checks during overnight stays must be completed by two Persons in Authority – one of which must be the same gender as the athletes.

Locker Room/Changing Room/Meeting Room Usage:

AUSC mandates the following guidelines for locker room, changing room and meeting room usages:

• Interactions between a Person in Authority and an athlete should not occur in any room where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy such as the locker room, meeting room, washroom, or changing area. A second Person in Authority should be present for all necessary interactions in any such room;

Training/Competition Environment (including before, during, and after practices and games:

AUSC mandates the following guidelines for training and competition environment:

• A Person in Authority should never be alone with an athlete prior to or following a game or practice, unless that individual is the athlete's parent or guardian. If the athlete is the first athlete to arrive, the athlete's parent should remain alongside the athlete until another teammate or Person in Authority arrives. Similarly, if an athlete can potentially be alone with a Person in Authority following a game or practice, the Person in Authority should ask another Person in.

