Edina Soccer Club 

3-Person Rule

Edina Soccer Club **prohibits** coaches from being alone with one youth. A second adult or a second youth must be present at all times. **ANYPLACE. ANYWHERE.**

**Why?**

- Provide a safe environment for youth.
- Minimize risk to coaches and the club from misperceptions and wrongful accusations.

**What steps should teams take?**

Communicate, Communicate, Communicate. With your coaches, managers, parents, and players.

- Establish plan/expectations for drop off and pick ups.
- Document and share challenges/incidents with DOC.

**Items to keep in mind**

- Coaches are NOT allowed to transport players in their cars (parent exception)
- In severe weather, players may wait in coach’s car. If only 1 player, coach waits outside.
- Public spaces (Braemar Dome, Lewis Park, etc.) may allow for 1:1 coach:player safe setting during active times of day.
- Players should not be left alone.

First car drop off waits, second to last pick up waits