

Foley Recreation Coaches' Code of Conduct

I will remember that I am a youth sports coach and that the game is for the children and not the adults.

I will place the emotional and physical wellbeing of my players ahead of a personal desire to win. In doing so, I will refrain from communicating negative comments or threats to my players.

I will refrain from all manner of personal abuse and harassment of others, whether verbal, physical, emotional or sexual and shall oppose such abuse and harassment.

I will treat all coaches, players, officials, and fans with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or abilities and I will expect to be treated accordingly.

I will do my best to provide safe playing conditions for my players during all games and practices.

I will be knowledgeable of basic first aid principles needed to treat injuries of my players.

I will do my best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all my players.

I will use positive coaching techniques that are age appropriate.

I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my players.

I will provide an environment for my team that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.

I will be knowledgeable in the rules of each sport that I coach and I will teach these rules to my players.

I will not seek an advantage by circumvention or exploitation of the rules.

I will exhibit good sportsmanship following each game and exchange a cordial greeting with the opposing team and coaches.

I will not violate the amount of practices allowed in a given week and/or the duration of each practice set forth by the recreation departments practice policy.

I will complete the mandatory concussion training online and will provide proof of training by making a copy of my certificate and submitting it to the Foley Recreation Department to hold on file.

I will complete a satisfactory background check and I understand that if I receive a red-light or failed background, I will remove myself from coaching or volunteering with City of Foley recreation programs.

I understand that if I violate this code of conduct or any part hereinabove, I am subject to being reprimanded as set forth in the discipline policy below.

Discipline Policy

Inappropriate Coaching Behavior

Situations involving inappropriate coaching behavior will be handled as follows:

Immediate removal from the ball park and further suspension depending on the severity of the actions:

1. Cursing, inappropriate language, or inappropriate gestures directed at officials, coaches, players, athletes, or fans.
2. Failure to leave park area or arguing with an official after being ejected from the game.
3. Throwing objects at an official or onto the field.
4. Being under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs.

Immediate removal from the ball park and suspension from coaching for at least one year:

1. Striking or pushing an official, coach, athlete or fan.
2. Fighting with other fans or throwing objects at other fans.
3. Verbal threats of bodily harm, injury or death towards an official, coach, athlete, or fan.
4. Inappropriate touching or verbal exchange of a sexual nature.
5. Disclosing privileged information exchanges during preseason draft or all-star selection meetings.
6. Providing false witness or information about coaches, players or parents.

Extreme behavior or multiple incident reports of a serious nature will result in permanent dismissal from the Foley Recreation program. This will also include any violation of the Coaches' Code of Conduct.

Inappropriate Fan Behavior

Situations involving inappropriate fan behaviors will be handled as follows:

1. Coaches will be asked for assistance and warned that fan behavior may result in penalty to the team.
2. Officials may request assistance of site supervisor if fan needs to be removed.
3. If the situation persists, the police will be contacted.

Entry fees and admission fees are non-refundable in the event of inappropriate behavior. The offender may or may NOT receive a warning, depending upon the severity of the behavior before required to leave the park/facility.

Extreme behavior or multiple incident reports of a serious nature will result in permanent dismissal from the Foley Recreation events. This will also include any violation of the Parent' Code of Conduct.

_____ PRINT Your Name	_____ Date
X _____ Signature	_____ Age Group
_____ Team Name and/or Head Coach's Name	_____ T-Shirt Size
_____ Email Address	_____ Phone Number