

COACHES' CODE OF CONDUCT

With regard to my players:

I believe that my role as a coach is to contribute to the overall success, physical, and athletic growth of the player through participation in lacrosse.

- I will endeavor to be a good instructor and a positive role model for my players.
- I believe that the score of a game comes second to the safety and welfare of all my players.
- I will endeavor to put winning in its proper perspective.
- I am responsible for understanding and competing within the letter and the spirit of the Rules of the Game.
- I will teach my players to understand and play within the letter and spirit of the Rules, as well.

With regard to opposing teams:

I believe that the way my team conducts itself can also have an influence, for better or worse, on those we compete against.

- I will endeavor to make my team a positive role model.
- I will not coach, nor allow my players to play, with intent to cause injury to opposing players.
- Neither I nor my players and spectators will display hostile behavior towards opposing players.
- I will emphasize winning without boasting and losing without bitterness.

With regard to Referees:

- I believe that Referees are, just as coaches and players are, attempting to do their best.
- I will instill in my players and spectators a respect for that fact.
- I understand that my attitude can influence my players and spectators.
- I will display a controlled and undemonstrative attitude toward Referees at all times.
- Neither I nor my players and spectators will address a Referee before, during or after the game in a demeaning fashion.

Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their players and the spectators on their side of the field, specifically as it relates to the referee, coaches, players and spectators on the other team. Verbal and/or physical abuse will NOT be tolerated.

If a player's conduct is not in the spirit of recreational lacrosse the referee can have the player leave the game for a cooling off period.

The same conduct rule applies to spectators. If the cooling off period does not resolve the problem, the spectator may be asked to leave the field.

If a coach approaches a referee or steps on to the field to challenge a call, they will be asked to leave the game and the incident will be reviewed.

ALCOHOL, TOBACCO & DRUG FREE

SPORTS PROMISE: *I understand alcohol, tobacco and drug use may harm one's health, hinder one's physical performance and may be dangerous to others; therefore, I promise to refrain from alcohol, tobacco and drug use at any & all CGLA clinics, events, practices, and games.*

I have read and understand the requirements of this Code of Conduct. I will act in accord with this Code. I understand that league officials will and should expect that I will follow this code.

Coach's Signature

Date