

THE PARKWAY YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE

BY-LAWS & GENERAL RULES

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ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the organization shall be the PARKWAY YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE, hereinafter referred to as The P.Y.F.L. is currently comprised of the youth football organizations including Montour, Moon, West Allegheny, Baldwin, Brookline, Chartiers Valley, West Mifflin and Washington. Youth Football organizations from other school districts may, from time to time, be added in accordance with the procedures set forth in Article VII of these By-laws.

ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVES

1. No kid left behind... That every player (as specified in PYFL's General Rules) be provided the opportunity of playing, and that NO prospective player be cut from any team.
2. That SAFETY is of prime importance including the requirement of having FIRST RESPONDERS Medical Personnel on site at all games.
3. That the concept of the PYFL is instructional; that teaching fundamentals be paramount.
4. Maximum play time for *each player* is encouraged by the playing of 2 games for age divisions on game day. These games will include a competitive game that counts for playoff and championship qualification (Varsity) and a non-competitive game (Junior Varsity) intended for instruction and teaching of the fundamentals of football.

ARTICLE III - GOVERNING BODY

1. In general, all PYFL matters will be decided by a vote of the Board of Representatives. The Executive Board, will vote only in case of a tie. All matters not specifically covered in these By-laws will be decided by a majority vote of the Board of Representatives (one vote per Organization), with the Executive Board casting a vote only in case of a tie.
2. There shall be a Board of Representatives comprised of two representatives from each of the participating Organizations. Said representatives will be selected/elected to the PYFL Board of Representatives by each Organization according to its own procedures prior to January of each year. Any time the Board of Representatives votes, its vote will be one vote per Organization.
3. There shall be five Officers - President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chairman of the Sports Committee. There will be annual elections in November by a majority vote of the Board of Representatives. Said Officers may or may not be members of the Board of Representatives. There may not be more than one Officer from any one organization

About Nominations/Elections:

- i. The executive board officers will rotate service years to allow for consistency. The President, Secretary and Chairman Sports committee will be voted on the alternate years of the Vice President and Treasurer.
- ii. Officers will be nominated and elected one at a time in ranked order. Unsuccessful candidates for one office may be nominated / elected for another office.
- iii. If there is a tie for President, there will be one (1) revote. If the revote results in a tie, the

- Presidency will be determined by a coin flip.
- iv. If there is a tie vote for any other Officer, the newly elected President shall cast the tie-breaking vote.

About vacancies that occur in any office:

- a) If a vacancy occurs in any office other than the President, the President shall appoint a replacement to serve the remainder of the term, in accordance with ARTICLE III Section 3 (above).
 - b) If a vacancy occurs in the Presidency, the Vice-President will assume the Presidency and appoint a new Vice-President, in accordance with ARTICLE III Section 3, (above) to serve the remainder of the term.
4. The Board of Representatives and Officers will serve for a term of two years, November through October. There is no restriction on re-election / re-appointment to consecutive terms.

ARTICLE IV - SPORTS COMMITTEE

1. There shall be a Sports Committee comprised of one representative from each of the participating Organizations. Sports Committee Members may or may not be members of the Board of Representatives. Sports Committee Members will be appointed annually in February, by the Organizations they represent.
2. The Sports Committee will review and establish biannually, by April 1st of each even numbered year, the By-Laws of the PYFL. Any changes / deletions / additions are subject to the approval of the Board of Representatives. No majority = no change / deletion / addition; the rule remains as is.
3. The Sports Committee will review and establish by July 1 of each year the General Rules of the PYFL (separate document). Any changes / deletions / additions are subject to the approval of the Board of Representatives. No majority = no change / deletion / addition; the rule remains as is.
4. The Sports Committee will investigate all alleged infractions as listed in Exhibit 1 to these By-Laws, as well as any alleged infractions not specified in Exhibit 1. The members of the Sports Committee whose Organizations were not involved in the alleged infractions will recommend disposition / penalty to the Board of Representatives, and said Board of Representatives (excluding members from the Organizations involved) will make the final disposition, which could include (but is not limited to) fine and/or suspension / ejection from the PYFL. In case of a tie, the highest ranking Officer, upon consensus of all officers who's Organization(s) not involved in the infraction, will cast the tie-breaking vote.

ARTICLE V - GAME PROTESTS

1. Since PYFL's emphasis on winning and losing of games is not of prime importance, protests on anything other than player / coach / team eligibility, safety and/or conduct are discouraged.
2. Protests/challenges on any matter will be submitted within 24 hours to the highest rank Officer whose Organization was not involved, who will then submit it to the Sports Committee.
3. The sportsman committee will review all appropriate evidence from both / any organizations involved in a protest and make a determination / ruling if action is required – which could include forfeiture of game(s), suspension of players / coaches as deemed appropriate in accordance with ARTICLE IV, Section 4 of these By-Laws.

ARTICLE VI - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

1. The Officers (or Board of Representatives with the Executive Board casting the tie-breaking vote if no majority emerges amongst the Officers) shall:
 - (a) Authorize all expenditures of the PYFL.
 - (b) Annually set the team entry fees which will be sufficient to pay, but shall not exceed by more than \$150.00, the anticipated annual expenditures of the PYFL.
 - (c) Enforce all rules and regulations (including these By-Laws) of the PYFL.
2. The President shall preside at meetings and shall administer all affairs of the PYFL in accordance with these By-Laws.
3. The Vice-President shall assist the President and shall assume the President's role in the absence or inability of the President to serve.
4. The Secretary / Treasurer shall:
 - (A) Manage the correspondence of the PYFL and see that the PYFL and game statistics are regularly and accurately maintained.
 - (B) Record minutes of all meetings and disseminate copies in a timely manner to Officers, members of the Board of Representatives, and members of the Sports Committee.
 - (C) Administer the financial affairs of the PYFL and ensure that all moneys are directed solely to the PYFL's operation
5. The Sports Committee Chairman shall: (Refer to Article IV for duties.)

ARTICLE VII - PYFL MEMBERSHIP

1. New Organizations may be added to the PYFL upon receiving a majority vote of the Board of Representatives. No majority = no admission.

The following are guidelines that will determine membership qualification into the PYFL:

Organizations should

 - Utilize school supported facilities for all game day activities. This includes middle / high school football fields with operating concession stands and restroom facilities. Community parks are not encouraged.
 - Field a Varsity and Junior Varsity team at each age group designated by the PYFL (Currently this includes the 8 & 9 and 10 & 11 year old ages. 7 and Under is considered Junior Varsity / Instructional , while 12 year old teams are not required but strongly encouraged and may be supported dependent on current teams available within the PYFL.
 - Roster players that reside within a household that is a member of the taxpaying community of the school / team represented.
 - Provide written acknowledgement that all coaches and assistances have gone through background screening.
2. New Organizations will undergo a one-year probationary period. During probation, the organization is encouraged to attend PYFL meetings but will have no voting rights and will not be able to host playoff or championship games. Upon completion of the one-year probation, the PYFL Board of

Representatives will vote on their admission as a full voting member, additional probationary period or denial of admission.

No majority = no admission to the PYFL.

3. An organization is responsible to pay one entry fee for every team entered into the league. The entry fees are payable by the regular April meeting.

1. Current Fees per team as of 2/11/2014:

i. 7 & Under	\$0
ii. 8 & 9	\$300
iii. 10 & 11	\$300
iv. 12 yr old	\$150

4. Every organization must commit to the number of teams that they will have by the June meeting. If an Organization cannot or does not uphold their team commitments they will forfeit the entry fee. If any additional team fees are payable they will be paid at the regular August monthly meeting.

ARTICLE VIII - MEETINGS

1. Regular meetings shall be held on the second **Monday** of each month, or at such other time as may be stipulated by the President.
2. Special meetings may be called by from time to time at the request of the Executive Board, Sportsman committee or by the majority of the Board of Representatives.
3. Each Organization must have at least one representative in attendance at all meetings. In addition to fines set forth in Exhibit I section 2, failure to attend a meeting may result in disciplinary action by the Officers (excluding any Officer from the absent Organization), . No majority = no disciplinary action.
4. All Officers and members of the Board of Representatives and Sports Committee should make every attempt to attend every PYFL meeting. Failure to miss more than 3 meetings for other than just Cause could be subject to disciplinary action. (See General Rules Exhibit 1, # 2)
5. Unless otherwise specifically provided herein, the most recent revision of Robert's' Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all meetings.
6. The order of business at the PYFL's meetings shall be as follows:
 - a) Call to order.
 - b) Reading of minutes.
 - c) Report of the Treasurer.
 - d) Communications and correspondence
 - e) Unfinished business.
 - f) New business and good of the PYFL.

Any officer, Board of Representative member, or sportsman committee member that conducts him/herself in an inappropriate, irresponsible and or unsportsmanlike manner at any P.Y.F.L meeting and or P.Y.F.L. sanctioned function shall be deemed accountable for their actions and will be penalized (fined, suspended, ejected) or any combination according to the General Rules, Exhibit I, Rule 3, Section E, (page 13).

ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENT (S) TO or REVISION OF THE PYFL BY-LAWS

1. These By-Laws may be amended/revised at any regular or special PYFL meeting by majority vote of the Board of Representatives with the Officers present. No majority = the amendment(s)/ revision fails.
2. All Officers and members of the Board of Representatives must be notified in advance of the meeting as to the specific amendments/revision. This is to ensure that each Organization has the opportunity to send all its eligible votes to the meeting at which the by-laws amendment(s)/revision will be voted upon.

General Rules is a separate document, not part of these By-Laws.

GENERAL RULES OF THE PYFL

Divisions

The PYFL will be comprised of players in the following age divisions:

7 and under Junior Varsity Division:

Players 7th birthday must be on or prior to June 1st of the current season.
Maximum weight is **100** LB's.

8 and 9 Division:

Players 9th birthday must be on or prior to June 1st of the current season.
Maximum weight is **120** LB's.

10 and 11 Division:

Players 11th birthday must be on or prior to June 1st of the current season.
Maximum weight is **140** LB's.

12 year old Division (Not Required)

Players 12th birthday must be on or **prior to Jan 1st** of the current season.
Maximum weight is **160** LB's.

**12U – Due to the difficulty in attracting players at this age, if a team has less than 18, 12 year olds, on the roster the PYFL allows each organization to “double” roster players from younger teams to achieve a count of 18 players.*

- a) There is no set maximum number of players per squad per age group. Each organization will be expected to field at minimum 1 Varsity and 1 Junior Varsity team at the 8&9 and 10&11 age groups.
- b) Voluntary splits may occur at any number and is at the sole discretion of the individual organization, as long as said splits are separate rosters and will remain as such throughout the season. If an organization has more than one team in an age division it is expected to ensure that weight, size, age, and ability is distributed as equally as possible by utilizing a fair method, such as a draft, so that one team is not stronger/better than the other or others.

- c) In accordance with Article II, Section 1 of the PYFL's Bylaws, No prospective player is to be cut from any team.
- d) Practices will begin at a date designated by the board, generally beginning with the last Monday in July. Teams can practice a maximum of 8 hours per week while the season has not begun. After the 1st game of the season each team can practice a maximum of 6 hours per week including through the playoffs and Superbowl.

Team Rosters / Books

By the deadline designated by the Bylaws official team albums / books must be submitted to the PYFL Secretary.

Roster Books will contain:

- a. "x" Copies (1 for each opposing organization and 1 for the board records) of a completed team roster for each team including all players and coaches Varsity and Junior Varsity. See Exhibit II for the roster format
- b. A current photo, copy of a birth or baptismal certificate, name, address, weight, and jersey number for each player on that team See Exhibit IV for format
- c. A current photo, name, and address of each coach, along with a signed letter from an authorized officer of the submitting organization certifying that a background check as deemed acceptable by PYFL has been completed w/in the past calendar year.
- d. Each roster will be signed, by an authorized office of the submitting organization, validating all player information.
- e. At the time of the Roster Book submission to the PYFL Board any player that does not have all required information completed will be deemed ineligible to play until approved by the PYFL Board at the next PYFL meeting.
- f. Additional players can be added, with PYFL board approval as designated in item d, until the roosters are officially closed by the PYFL board at the first board meeting after the season has commenced.
- g. After review of the book and roster a PYFL officer will review and sign each roster and provide copies to each opposing organization as well as retain 1 for submission to the PYFL Secretary.
- h. Official Roster Albums **MUST** accompany each team to each PYFL game and must be furnished to the opposing team coach at weight-ins if requested. Any roster book eligibility violation and/or Each Failure to produce the book will constitute a violation under GENERAL RULES, Exhibit I, Section IB and Section 3E.

WEIGH-INS

- A. Each organization must have a beam scale or certified digital scale at its home games for weigh-in purposes. Digital scales are allowed a **.2** difference i.e. **140.2** is allowable.
- B. Wearing at minimum undershorts and having their game jersey available each player is expected to be under the designated weight limit of the appropriate age division.
- C. During half time of the prior age divisions Varsity game, weigh-ins will be completed for all players of the next age group paring. The opposing coach will oversee the weigh-ins of each player. The signed roster received by the league and the opposing teams presented roster book should be referenced during the weigh in process.

- D. Each player will be weighed in by stepping onto the scale and wearing / holding their jersey. When satisfied with the roster and weigh in acceptance, both coaches will sign the rosters. Once the roster has both signatures, the coach will keep the opposing team's roster. If not satisfied, the coach does not sign the roster, and the game is played under protest. (See Article V, Section 2 (page 4) of the PYFL's By-Laws).
- E. Late arrivals, defined as a player that arrives after the official weigh in must report to the opposing head coach for weigh in. Players arriving after half-time must report to the opposing head coach and be weighed in at halftime, prior to entering the game. If the player does not arrive until after the 2nd half kick-off, he will not play in the game.
- F. Early Weigh Ins can be completed at the hosting facility. The player must provide an early weigh in form, roster card from the team book including player information, picture and birth certificate as well as the player's game jersey. All early weigh ins must be completed by the league representative, opposing team board member or opposing team authorized coach. An early weigh in form must be completed including the printed and signed name and phone number of the representative attesting to the weigh-in. The early weigh in sheet must be submitted with the roster at the official team weigh in.
- G. Any coaches caught making a deal – or allowing an overweight player to participate in any game will be subject to league disciplinary action up to and including forfeiture of game, fines and/or suspension.

Referees

The hosting organization is expected to pay all required referees / officials designated for each game. The following are the minimum number of officials expected to preside over each age division

- 7 & U – 1
- 8 & 9 – 3
- 10 & 11 – 3
- 12 & 13 – 3

During play the officials on duty have final say in all game rules up to and including scoring, penalties and interpretation of the rules.

Coaches have the right to question any call or rule – but is expected to address the head umpire in a respectful manner. If the coach is in disagreement with the umpires ruling – the coach will have the ability to escalate the concern after the game is completed. During game play the head umpires rule is final.

If a game is played in protest to what is perceived as referee / official error – the hosting organization is expected to pay the referees / officials as required.

Any dispute on officiating should be made to the disputing organizations PYFL representative who will then advise a member of the Executive Board within 24 hours of the disputed game.

All disputes will be reviewed as described in Article IV in the PYFL by Laws. Under no circumstances will a game be delayed or postponed due to a disagreement with an official's decision.

Facilities / Game Play

Games will be played in the following order on Game Day:

- 7 & Under
- **8 & 9 Varsity**
- **8 & 9 Junior Varsity**
- **10 & 11 Varsity**
- **10 & 11 Junior Varsity**
- 12 year old (If applicable)

Field Conditions:

1. All Field Markings must be clear and visible.
2. Must have Coaches Box marked on field.
3. Must have two yard restraining lines all the way around field.
4. The hosting organization is to grant on-field access only to authorized personnel for each game. Authorized personnel is defined as:
 - i. The current age division players
 - ii. Coaches / Assistant coaches with proper league issued ID
 - iii. PYFL Executive / Board members with proper league issued ID
 - iv. Officiating referees
 - v. Up to 2 water personnel for each team.
 - vi. A 3 man stick crew.
 - vii. The hosting organizations announcer / game day coordinator to obtain rosters / pronunciations etc...
5. No un-authorized personnel is to be given field access.
6. The hosting organization will provide on-site ambulance / paramedic service for the duration of the games.

Pre-game warm ups / half time

1. The three minute time for warm-ups must be used and Teams must be on field.
2. Half Time is to be as long as Quarters except for the 7 and under age group which is 5 minutes.

Game Times / Cancellations

1. All game times will be at the discretion of the hosting organization – however the game order will follow PYFL rules as defined above.
2. Game cancellations must be made a minimum of 12 Hours before the first scheduled game of the day. Failure to do so will constitute a forfeit of the game/games.
3. In the event make-up games become necessary, every attempt must be made for the game to be played within 48 hours. It is the Home team's responsibility to reschedule the game and make the appropriate arrangements with facilities and officials. Failure to this will be cause for the PYFL Board of Officers to reschedule

and set up field play for the games. At this point there can be no objection from either home team or away team. If either team decides not to play it will constitute a forfeit of the game.

Junior Varsity Games

Each age division will first complete the required Junior Varsity (JV) game. These games are intended to provide maximum playing time for players that may have limited playing time during the competitive game due to inexperience, athleticism or learning a new position.

All teams within the 8&9 and 10&11 age groups are expected to field and play a JV game each week throughout the season including throughout the playoffs.

As with Varsity games, any cancellation of JV games must undergo prior PYFL executive board approval.

Junior Varsity games will consist of 2 – 25 minute halves with a hybrid running clock in which the clock stops at time of possession. And an 8 minute half time.

Each coach will receive 3 time outs per half.

The equal number of officials required for the Varsity game will preside over the Junior Varsity game.

Varsity Games

Varsity games are intended to be competitive games that include playoffs and championships for qualifying teams.

As with JV games, any cancellation of Varsity games must undergo prior PYFL executive board approval.

Varsity games will consist of 4 – 10 minute quarters and an 8 minute half-time.

Scoring

Touchdowns will be scored at 6 points.

Field Goal = 3 points

Extra-point values:

- A. Run or pass from the 3-yard line = 1 point
- B. Run or pass from the 5-yard line = 2 points
- C. Extra point kick = 1 point

General Playing Rules

National Federation of State High School Association Rules will apply except as listed below:

- A. General
 - i. Mouthpieces must be attached to the helmet, but may be any color.
 - ii. Steel tip cleats are not permitted.

- iii. During the regular season there is a limit of 3 overtimes. If no winner is determined the game will be deemed a tie and both teams will receive one point towards the standings.
- iv. At any time if a team has a 30 point advantage there will be an automatic running clock to take effect. A running clock can only be stopped by a called time out by coaches or referees and after a score has occurred.
- v. Unless otherwise specified, between plays a single coach is permitted to be on the field, up to the has closest to their sideline to call the next play.

B Age Specific

7 & under Divisions:

1. The game will **consist of 2 – 25 minute halves with a hybrid running clock in which the clock stops at time of possession.** There will be no kick-offs. The ball will be spotted on the 40 yard line.
2. **While scores for the 7U games will be displayed during game day the age group is deemed non-competitive. No standings or scores will be posted on the PYFL or organizational websites or communications.**
3. There will be no punts. If a punt is required, the ball will be spotted 25 yards from the line of scrimmage.
4. No more than six defensive players can be on the line of scrimmage prior to the snap of the ball.
5. Blitzing is not permitted. Linebackers must be at least 3 yards behind the defensive line and are NOT permitted to “creep” up or advance towards the line of scrimmage until the ball is snapped. Once the ball is snapped – there are ***no*** additional restrictions and all players, including linebackers can advance to make a tackle. (i.e. the quarterback does not have to be outside of the tackles, or the handoff does not have to be completed prior to a defensive player making a tackle behind the line of scrimmage)
6. If the quarterback is in a shot gun position, the center must be protected. Defensive players must be lined up in the gap and not “head up” to the center.
7. 30-45 seconds between plays is expected – as there will be no hurry up offense.
8. After a safety, the ball is spotted at the 35 yard line of the receiving team.
9. A K-2 (rubber, leather or composite) ball or larger will be used.
10. Three (3) time outs per half per team.
11. A maximum of two (2) coaches are permitted on the field.

8&9 Division:

1. Varsity game consists of four (4)10-minute quarters with 30 seconds allowed between plays. **Junior Varsity games will consist of 2 – 25 minute halves with a hybrid running clock in which the clock stops at time of possession.** And an 8 minute half time.
2. Kickoffs are utilized.
3. If the quarterback is in a shot gun position, the center must be protected. Defensive players must be lined up in the gap and not “head up” to the center.
4. There is a free punt with no rush from the defense. The ball does not have to be snapped. (JV will utilize a walk off punt by spotting the ball 25 yards from the line of scrimmage)

5. There is no restriction on the defense.
6. Kick-offs will be from the 40 yard line.
7. A K-2 (rubber, leather or composite) or larger ball will be used.
6. Three (3) time-outs per half are permitted.
7. A maximum of one (1) coach is permitted on the field during Varsity games and (2) two coaches during JV games.
8. Coaches on the field during play must remain silent and not give signals of any kind once the players are on the line of scrimmage and until the play is finished.

10&11 Division:

1. The Varsity game consists of four (4) 10-minute quarters with 30 seconds allowed between plays. **Junior Varsity games will consist of 2 – 25 minute halves with a hybrid running clock in which the clock stops at time of possession.** And an 8 minute half time.
2. Kickoffs are utilized.
3. If the quarterback is in a shot gun position, the center must be protected. Defensive players must be lined up in the gap and not “head up” to the center.
4. Punts are live in the Varsity division. For Junior Varsity there is a free punt with no rush from the defense.
5. There is no restriction on the defense.
6. Kickoff from the 40 yard line.
7. A TDJ (rubber, leather or composite) or larger will be used.
8. Three (3) time-outs are permitted per half,

12 yr old Division:

1. The game consists of four (4) 10-minute quarters with 30 seconds allowed between plays.
2. Kickoffs are utilized.
3. Punts are live.
4. There is no restriction on the defense.
5. Kickoff from the 40 yard line.
6. A TDY (rubber, leather or composite) or larger will be used.
6. Three (3) time-outs are permitted per half,

Coaches (Head and assistant coaches)

1. Coaches will be selected by the organization they represent.
2. All coaches must be listed on the team’s rooster and have submitted the proper background check clearances.
3. Electronic communication devices such as radio transmitters are permitted to be utilized at all age levels – with the exception of any on-field coaches.
4. Coaches are to be on the sideline only during their game.
6. Coaches on the field must take a position at least 10 yards behind the deepest back and must stay clear of play at all times.

Coaches Conduct

- a. Coaches must conduct themselves with dignity at all times.

- b. The use of aggressive language including profanity towards any player, official or opposing coach as well as the threat of physical assault or insult will not be tolerated and be considered unsportsman like conduct.
- c. Any coach penalized or ejected by the officials for unsportsman like conduct will be subject to Disciplinary action provided in Article IV, Section 4 of the PYFL's by-laws.

Play-offs and Championship:

- A.** The top 8 teams within each age division will proceed to the playoffs **w/ the exception of the 7U division which will follow their organizations respective 8/9 year old team throughout the playoffs and Superbowl.**
- B.** Playoff fields will be determined by interested organizations submitting a bid to host with the vote being made by the board of representatives. **If both teams playing in any age group throughout the playoffs are hosting, the higher seeded team can choose their field of choice. If only 1 team is hosting the playoff game will be at their facility, regardless of seed. If neither team is hosting the higher seed can choose the field of their choice – unless it causes issues for another hosting organization. Any conflicts will be determined by the Executive board with the intent of fair sportsmanship and to support all hosting communities as a priority.**
- C. Team standings in each age group will be determined by the following:
 - i. Teams will receive - 2 points for a win. 1 point for a tie. 0 points for a loss.
 - ii. The team with more points finishes higher in the standings.
 - 1. In the event of a tie, the first tiebreaker will be determined by the results of head to head competition.
 - 2. If the teams tied or did not play each other, the second tie-breaker will be determined using the WPIAL's Modified Gardner Point System and Tie-Breaker:

WPIAL FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP CRITERIA

- A. Modified Gardner Point System:
 - 1. 100 points for a win
 - 2. 50 points for a tie
 - 3. 10 points for each win that a defeated team had won.
 - 4. 5 points for each tie that a defeated team had tied.
 - 5. 5 points for each win that a tied team had won.
 - 6. 2 1/2 points for each tie that a tied team had tied.
- B. Tie Breaker if Gardner System Results in a Tie:

1. If a tie persists at this point, the result of head to head competition will determine the higher ranked team.
2. If the application of this process does not break a tie for First, Second, or Third place, a coin toss between the Representatives of the contending organizations will determine the playoff entry.
3. If two or more teams are tied for the final playoff position in any age division, (the teams that are tied) can, if the teams that are involved agree, have a play off game (s) to decide the final playoff spot.

PYFL GENERAL RULES - EXHIBIT 1

1. Administrative - \$ 100.00 Fine:

- A. Failure to submit properly completed rosters the designated deadline.
- B. Failure to have properly completed book or failure to have book at all games.
- C. Agreeing to allow over-weight, over-age, or otherwise ineligible players to play.
- E. Failure to pay dues by the designated deadline.

2. Meeting Attendance: (see schedule)

Failure to have at least one representative at each PYFL meeting

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| 1. 1st infraction | \$20.00 and notification |
| 2. 2nd infraction | \$40.00 and notification |
| 3. 3rd infraction | \$60.00 and notification of disciplinary probation |
| 4. 4th infraction | Disciplinary Probation* |
| 5. 5th infraction | Ejection from the PYFL. |

3. "On Field" Infractions:

- A. Coach Ejected from the Game by the Referee: It is the discretion of the referee whether a coach ejected from the game must leave the stadium. If a coach is asked to leave the stadium, he may not return for subsequent games. In any event, the league requires that the coach not be involved on the field or in the booth for the balance of game day.

Fine Schedule:

1st infraction: notification issued to the coach and one game suspension.

2nd infraction: \$100.00 fine and one week suspension from all organization activities.

3rd infraction: suspension for the balance of the season and possible expulsion from PYFL.

- B. Players ejected from the game by the referee: Any player or players ejected from the game

by a referee must be reported by the referees and the PYFL league representative of the ejected player to a PYFL officer, who in turn will notify the Sports Committee. That player will be suspended for the next Varsity Game (AND JV Game).

If any player during the same season is ejected/suspended a second time by the referees then said player is suspended for the remainder of the season, including playoffs and Championship game.

- C. Running Up the Score (\$100.00 Fine per Game). The PYFL realizes this is a subjective call and expects consistent reviews and recommendations from the Sports Committee. It is imperative that coaches use best discretion and remember the overall objectives of the PYFL.

When "On Field" Infractions 3 A, 3B and/or 3C occurs, it is the rep's responsibility to notify an officer within 24 hours. The highest rank officer will submit this to the Sports Committee (as prescribed in Article IV, Section 4 and Article V, Section 3 (page 4) of these by-law

- D. Organizations Utilizing "Unsportsmanlike Behavior" - This includes, but is not limited to:
- i. Coaching, teaching, utilizing dirty tactics
 - ii. Illegal communications
 - iii. Illegal defenses, blitzing and alignments (7 and under Division only).
 - iv. Conduct detrimental to the league
 - v. Excessive use of profanity direct towards any player, coach or official
 - vi. Excessive badgering of an official or opposing coach
 - vii. The threat of physical assault

When any of the infractions listed under 3D occur, the opposing coach must notify the head referee and opposing coach. It will be the referee's discretion on how to handle the remainder of the game. The appropriate league representatives are to be notified immediately after the game. The league representative is expected to notify a PYFL officer within 24 hours who will then submit the claim to the Sports Committee (as prescribed in Article IV, Section 4 and Article V, Section 3 (page 4) of these by-laws).

1st infraction: Forfeiture of game, \$100 fine

2nd infraction: Forfeiture of game, \$200.00 fine, possible disciplinary Probation* for the Organization's entire program and one week suspension of the head coach. Suspension includes any type of participation at practices and at all games during game day.

3rd infraction: Forfeiture of game, \$200.00 fine, possible disciplinary Probation* or ejection from the PYFL of all teams from that Organization and the suspension of the head coach for the balance of the season. Suspension includes any type of participation at practices and at all games during game day.

It will be left to the discretion of the Sports Committee to recommend if disciplinary Probation* or ejection from the PYFL is warranted. It is also at the discretion of the Sports Committee to recommend disciplinary action against one team, in lieu of the Organization's entire program.

The Sports Committee will investigate all of the above plus any other infractions in accordance with PYFL By-Laws (Article IV, Section 4, (page 4)). Extraordinary situations will be handled immediately by the Officers, subject to review by the League Reps. Any organization which has a fine imposed upon, will have all voting rights suspended until all fines are paid.

* Disciplinary Probation revokes the voting rights of the Organization and excludes all teams from that organization from the play-offs for a period of one year from the effective date of probation. Any subsequent violation of PYFL By-Laws or Rules during the period of probation would be cause for ejection from the League.

This Exhibit will be reviewed annually by the Sports Committee and may be revised the same as the General Rules of PYFL according to the procedure set forth in Article IV, Section 3 , (page 4) of PYFL's By-Laws.

EXHIBIT II

Year _____ Roster As Of _____ Organization _____

Head Coach : _____ Phone # : _____ Team/Division _____

Assistants		Phone #		League Rep. Name			
Assistants	Phone #						
Assistants	Phone #	Phone #					
Assistants	Phone #	Phone #					
Assistants	Phone #						
Players Names	Jersey #	Weigh- in		Photo ID	Birth Cert. B/C	As Of 8/1 Age	Weight In LBs
		Eligible	Ineligible				
1							
2	Players are to be roistered in	Eligible or	Ineligible				
3	ascending order by jersey number	Is checked	off by the				
4		opposing	coach at				
5		the official	Weigh-in				
6							
7							
8					Photo and	Birth Cert.	
9					should be	checked	
10					showing	at current	
11					Photo and	Players	
12					Birth/	Baptismal	
13	Final rosters must be submitted				Certificate	has been	
14	to the PYFL Board in accordance				Updated	and is on	
15	with the PYFL By-Laws				file in Team	Album as	
16					indicated	by	
17					General	Rule # 7	
18	One copy of this roster MUST be				PYFL	By-Laws	
19	furnished to the opposing coach						
20	prior to pre-game weigh-ins,and						
21	One copy of this roster SHOULD						

22	be furnished to the announcer							
23	before each game.							
24								
25								
26	Rosters also serve as spotter lists							
27								
28								
29								
30								
31								

GAME DATE _____ VS _____

COACH'S SIGNATURE _____

OPPOSING COACH'S SIGNATURE _____

EXHIBIT III

Early Weigh In Form

MUST HAVE ROSTER CARD, PHOTO, GAME JERSEY FOR APPROVAL

Player Name _____ **Player Number** _____

Team Name _____ **Age Group** _____

Location of Weigh In _____ **Date** _____

Opposing Coach/ League Representative

Or Board Officer **Sign** _____ **Title** _____

Print _____ **Phone #** _____

EXHIBIT IV

Parkway Youth Football League

Player's Name _____ **Age** _____

Address _____ **Phone** _____

Commissioner's Name _____

No. of Birth Certificate _____

Date of Birth _____ **Wt.** _____ **Ht.** _____

Team _____

Phone _____

Sig. Of Coach _____

Player No. _____



