

# **Fairfield County Youth Football League**

## **Football Coaches Code of Conduct**

In an effort to promote good sportsmanship, the FCYFL Board of Directors has pledged to enforce a Code of Conduct that will ensure the physical, mental and emotional well being of all its participants and coaches. Our goal is to ensure that all of our participants and coaches will thrive in an environment where respect and camaraderie abound. **THIS CODE OF CONDUCT WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED!**

The FCYFL recognizes the physical and competitive nature of the sport and as such we recognize the need for control of all participants as well as coaches. Therefore, all participants and parents will sign the Participants Code of Conduct. Any coach who is deemed in violation will be referred to the FCYFL Board of Directors and/or President for a decision.

### **NO TOLERANCE**

The following rules are set forth by the FCYFL and will be strictly enforced:

1. Set an example of good sportsmanship as well as have a positive attitude and show enthusiasm for all participants.
2. Strive to make every football practice serve as a training ground for life and a basis for good mental and physical health.
3. Emphasize that winning is the result of (team work).
4. Emphasize that athletes strive to be good students and that both are physically and mentally challenging.
5. Remember that each participant has responsibilities to his/her family education and religion that come before his/her team.
6. Remove from a game, practice or competition any participant when even slightly in doubt about their health.
7. Do not criticize participants in front of spectators. Reserve constructive criticism for private or in the presence of the team participants if others might benefit.
8. Do not criticize an opposing team, its participants, coaches or fans by word of mouth or gestures.
9. Do not deliberately incite unsportsmanlike conduct.
10. Together with game officials be jointly responsible for the conduct and control of the team, fans and spectators.
11. Accept decisions of the game or conference officials on the field as being fair and called to the best of said officials.
12. Do not permit an ineligible participant to participate in a game or competition.
13. Refrain from using abusive and profane language.
14. Refrain from striking any other Coach, Official, spectator or participant in the FCYFL.
15. Do not receive any payment in cash or kind for any services as a Coach.
16. Abstain from drinking alcohol on game and practice fields.
17. Refrain from smoking or chewing tobacco on game or practice fields.
18. Attend any FCYFL football coach's clinics.
19. Coaches are to set a good example to the participants. They will display a high standard of behavior on and off the field.
20. Coaches will respect the rights, dignity and worth of each other and every person involved in the FCYFL.
21. No favoritism will be tolerated. Every participant is to be treated equally and fairly.

22. Coaches personal feelings about a certain participant should never enter into play when coaching that participant.
23. Fair and consistent coaching should be expected at all times from each coach.
24. Differences are to be settled after practices/games and away from participants and parents.
25. Arguing with other coaches in front of players/parents will not be tolerated.
26. Parent/participant issues that cannot be resolved in a reasonable manner should be referred to the FCYFL Board.
27. Coaches will not engage in abusive verbal attacks, including trash talking or taunting of any player, official, other coach, teams, and FCYFL Board Members.
28. Coaches should be approachable by parents. Your parents need to be able to feel they can talk to you. This should be done before or after practice or games, and not in front of your team.
29. All coaches and teams will participate in all league functions: ie, fundraisers, 50/50 and any other Functions sponsored by the FCYFL Board of Directors.

**Fairfield County Youth Football League  
Board of Directors**

Coaches: You are to read and agree to this Code of Conduct. A coach will not be allowed to participate without signing this form. If any of this Code of Conduct is not adhered to, it may result in the **SUSPENSION and or EXPULSION FROM the FCYFL !**

**One or more of the following penalties will be enforced for violations of this Code:**

- 1. Verbal Warning ( Everyone is given this at the coaches meeting )**
- 2. Written Warning**
- 3. 1- 3 Game Suspension**
- 4. Dismissed for the Season and a review at the end of the year.**

**Code of Conduct Acknowledgment for the FCYFL**

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this you have acknowledged reading the Coaches Code of Conduct for the FCYFL

Head Coach: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Assistant Coach: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Assistant Coach: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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