



Billerica Youth Lacrosse Code of Conduct

The BYL Code of Conduct is strict and serious. All people associated with BYL are expected to act with sportsmanship, dignity and respect for others and the game. This includes coaches, parents, guardians, players and referees.

In the event that an individual's conduct becomes unacceptable, the Board of Directors may take disciplinary action that may include suspension or dismissal of an offending player (or child of an offending parent) from the program. BYL will aggressively enforce this policy.

The following rules of the Code of Conduct must be followed:

1. Sportsmanship and teaching the concepts of fair play are essential to the game and must be taught at all levels and developed both at home and on the field during practices and games.
2. The value of good sportsmanship, the concepts of fair play, and the skills of the game should always be placed above winning.
3. The safety and welfare of the players are of primary importance.
4. Players should always demonstrate positive behavior and respect toward teammates, opponents, coaches, officials, parents, guardians and spectators.
5. Coaches, players, parents, guardians and spectators are expected to demonstrate the utmost respect for officials and reinforce that respect to players/teammates.
6. Grievances or misunderstandings between parents, guardians, coaches, officials or any other parties involved with the organization should be communicated through the proper channels and procedures, never on or about the field of play in view of spectators or participants.
7. Spectators involved with the game must never openly or maliciously criticize, badger, harass or threaten an official, coach, player or opponent.
8. Eligibility requirements, at all levels of the game, must be followed. Rules and requirements such as age, previous level of participation, team transfers, etc, have been established to encourage and maximize participation, fair play and to promote safety.

The essential elements in this Code of Conduct are RESPECT, HONESTY and INTEGRITY. Those who conduct themselves in a manner that reflects these elements will bring credit to themselves, their team and their organization. It is only through such conduct that our organization can continue to earn and maintain a positive image and make its full contribution to our sport and community.

As parents/guardians we have discussed the BYL Code of Conduct with our son/daughter and agree to abide by it. We understand that there is no refund or recourse for suspension or dismissal from the program as a consequence of breaking this Code of Conduct.

Print Player's Name

Age Group (U9, U11, etc.) and Team

Print Name of Parent/Guardian

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Failure to sign this document will result in player ineligibility