

COACHES' CODE OF CONDUCT



I agree to...

1. Be on time and ready to go prior to practice/game time.
2. Be responsible in your demands on the young player's time, energy and enthusiasm. Remember that they have other interests.
3. Teach your players that the rules of the game are mutual agreements which no one should evade or break.
4. Avoid confrontations with officials, opposing coaches, players and parents.
5. Avoid over-playing the talented players at the cost of the other players. The "just average" players need and deserve equal time. **Fair play rules** are always in affect for ALL positions.
6. Remember that children play for the fun and enjoyment and that winning is only part of it. Never ridicule or yell at the players for making mistakes or losing a competition.
7. Ensure that the equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of the players.
8. The scheduling and length of practice times and games should take into consideration the maturity level of the players.
9. Develop team respect for the ability of opponents, as well as for the judgement of officials and opposing coaches.
10. Follow the advice of a physician when determining when an injured player is ready to play again.
11. Not have my cellphone in the dugout or on the field at any time during a practice or game, **and** ensure my team follows this rule.
12. To wear the proper uniform. For coaches and assistants, this is the NL hat and shirt provided. For coaches this means no denim, no short shorts, no tank tops, no open toed shoes and no flip flops.
13. Follow the alcohol or marijuana per the NL policy when it comes to practices or games.

Signature of Coach

Date

Remember.... Children need a coach they can respect. Be generous with your praise when it is deserved and set a good example.