## **Coaches Code of Conduct**



If players are to grow and develop in their sport or physical activity, and environment of positive communication and respect must exist. Coaches should observe the following Code of Conduct.

- I will remember that all the players are playing for their enjoyment, not for mine.
- I will place the emotional and physical well being of my players ahead of a personal desire or external pressure to win.
- I will do my best to provide a safe playing environment for all players.
- I will not have unrealistic expectations. I will remember that the amateur athletes are not professionals and cannot be judged by professional standards.
- I will respect the official's decisions and communicate with them in an appropriate manner and I will encourage my players to do the same.
- I will encourage all players to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- I will teach my players good sportsmanship.
- I will never ridicule or yell at the players, coaches or officials for making a mistake.
- I will applaud good players' performances on both teams.
- I will never question the official's judgment or honesty in public.
- I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- I will not consume alcohol or smoke on, or near the vicinity of the players' benches.
- I will not use bad language, nor will I harass athletes, coaches, officials or other spectators.
- I will be knowledgeable of the league rules and regulations and teach these rules to the players on my team.
- I will encourage my players to respect the rights of other players, coaches, fans & officials.
- I will be responsible for my own behavior and also the behavior of my team members, their parents & fans.
- I will have respect for all the facilities and equipment used in the sport.