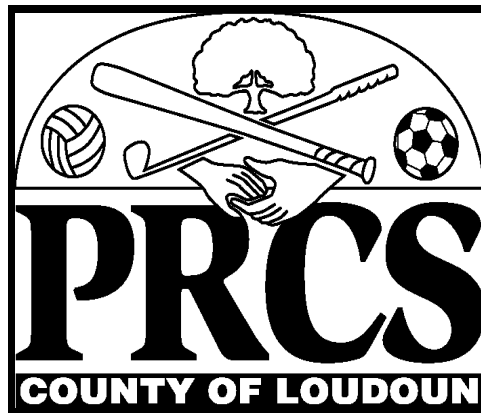


CODE OF CONDUCT

SPORTS LEAGUE ACTIVITIES

Loudoun County
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LEAGUE CONDUCT

- **Encourage and promote friendly relationships and good sportsmanship by requiring courtesy and proper decorum;**
- **Comply with all league rules and regulations;**
- **Secure qualified officials for all contests;**
- **Insist on safety for all activities, including equipment, for participants and spectators;**
- **Judge the success of the league on the basis of attitude, enjoyment, and skill development of the participants;**
- **Provide for handling league funds with audits, insurance, and fiscal oversight procedures;**
- **Review with all volunteers' sportsmanship expectations.**

COACH CONDUCT

- **Demonstrate high ideals, desirable attitudes, and good sportsmanship and demand same standards for the players;**
- **Maintain self-control at all times, accepting adverse decisions without public display of emotion or of dissatisfaction with the officials;**
- **Emphasize the importance of proper sideline behavior and the necessity of restraining from entering the playing area to engage in unsportsmanlike physical or verbal behavior;**
- **Promote the purpose of competition is to increase the physical, mental emotional, and social well-being of players and the value of competition is derived from playing the game fairly;**
- **Be modest when successful and gracious in defeat;**
- **Provide all players the opportunity to use and develop initiative, leadership, and judgement;**
- **Promote the physical condition and well-being of players, refusing to jeopardize the health of an individual;**
- **Teach athletes that it is better to lose fairly than win unfairly;**
- **Refuse to disparage an opponent, an official or others associated with sports activities and discourage gossip and rumors;**
- **Supervise participants under his/her immediate care.**

PLAYER CONDUCT

- **Be courteous to opposing teams and officials;**
- **Play hard and to the limit of his/her ability;**
- **Retain his/her composure and never leave the bench to enter the playing area to engage in unsportsmanlike physical or verbal behavior;**
- **Be modest when successful and be gracious in defeat;**
- **Play for the love of the game;**
- **Respect the integrity and judgement of officials and accept their decisions without question;**
- **Respect the privilege of the use of public facilities.**

OFFICIAL CONDUCT

- **Know the rules and their interpretation and administer them;**
- **Report for duty in advance of game time and dressed in specified uniform;**
- **Be impartial and fair, yet firm, in all decisions;**
- **Refrain from commentary upon play or games situations.**

SPECTATOR CONDUCT

- **Maintain high ideals of sportsmanship**
- **Be modest when successful and be gracious in defeat;**
- **Respect the integrity and judgement of officials and accept their decisions without question;**
- **Support all participants without regard of which team is winning;**
- **Maintain composure and refrain from unsportsmanlike physical or verbal behavior.**

Penalties for Violating Code Of Conduct

While the individual league holds the responsibility of monitoring and enforcement of individual league rules, the Loudoun County Department of Park, Recreation and Community Services (PRCS) may enforce penalties on a case by case basis, if necessary.