

**TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD**  
**DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION**  
**SPORT PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT**

I therefore agree:

1. I will not force my child to participate in sports.
2. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
3. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
4. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league
5. I (and my guest) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.
6. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hand; or using profane language or gestures.
7. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well-being of the athletes.
8. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
9. I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
10. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
11. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.
12. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participant for making a mistake or losing a competition.
13. I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my child over winning. I will also de-emphasize games and competition.
14. I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
15. I will respect the officials & coaches and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront officials & coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
16. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at sports events.
17. I will refrain from on field coaching of my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.

I also agree that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines, I may be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to the following:

- \* Verbal warning by official, head coach, and/or Recreation Dept. representative
- \* Game forfeit through the official or coach
- \* Written warning from Recreation Dept.
- \* Parental game suspension
- \* Parental season suspension

**NOTE:** PLEASE SIGN YOUR CHILD'S REGISTRATION FORM THAT YOU  
HAVE READ AND AGREE WITH THE ABOVE CODE OF CONDUCT ~ THANK YOU!!!