

**BRICK TOWNSHIP
YOUTH SPORTS
CODE OF CONDUCT**

Each youth sports activity and each participant or parent or legal guardian of said participant where the participant is a minor and all adults participating in some official capacity, including but not limited to coaches, umpires or referees and other officials and participants, shall be required to follow the Code of Conduct as set forth more fully below and sign a pledge listing the Code of Conduct listed below and agreeing to conform conduct to the Code of Conduct and be subject to disciplinary action for violations. The Code of Conduct followed by The Township of Brick shall be as follows:

- (1) Participants shall not engage in any unsportsmanlike conduct with any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
- (2) Participants shall encourage children and other persons and participants not to engage in unsportsmanlike conduct by any coach, parent or player, participant, official or any other attendee.
- (3) Participants shall not engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety or welfare of any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
- (4) Participants shall not encourage any child or any other person to engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety or well-being of any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
- (5) Participants shall not use drugs or alcohol while at a youth sports event and will not attend, coach, officiate or participate in a youth sports event while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- (6) Participants shall not permit any child or encourage any other person to use drugs or alcohol at a youth sports event and will not permit any child or encourage any other person to attend, coach, officiate or participate in a youth sports event while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- (7) Participants shall not engage in the use of profanity.
- (8) Participants shall not encourage any child or any other person to engage in the use of profanity.
- (9) Participants shall treat any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee with respect regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, sexual orientation or ability.
- (10) Participants shall encourage children to treat any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any attendee with respect regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, sexual orientation or ability.
- (11) Participants shall not engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
- (12) Participants shall not encourage any child or any other person to engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
- (13) Participants shall not initiate a fight or scuffle with any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
- (14) Participants shall not encourage any child or any other person to initiate a fight or scuffle with any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.

Guests, spectators and other parties present at youth sports events who would not normally sign the pledge or did not sign the pledge set forth above are still prohibited from participating in fights, scuffles, or any type of physical or verbal abuse or threats towards participants, coaches, officials or one another and are subject to sanctions set forth more fully below.

SANCTIONS

Any parent, participant, player, guest, spectator, coach or official at any youth sports event sponsored by the Brick Township Recreation Department who initiates a fight, scuffle or any type of physical abuse or threats of abuse towards any participant, player, coach, official, parent or spectator may be subject to a verbal and/or written warning, a suspension from the particular youth sports event in attendance or may be banned from attendance at all youth sports events sponsored by The Brick Recreation Department for a period not exceeding 12 months from the date of the incident.

Any parent, participant, player, guest, spectator, coach or official at any youth sports event sponsored by the Brick Township Recreation Department who verbally abuses officials, participants, coaches, players or spectators, including the use of obscene or profane language or jesters, racial, ethnic or sexual slurs, may be subject to a verbal and/or written warning or, in severe cases, suspended from the subject event and/or banned from attendance at all youth events sponsored by the Brick Township Recreation Department for a period not exceeding 12 months from the date of the incident.

Any parent, participant, player, guest, spectator or official at any youth sports event sponsored by the Brick Township Recreation Department who throws or causes to be deposited any object on the field of play, court or rink during any youth sports event sponsored by the Brick Recreation Department may be suspended from the subject event and/or banned from attendance at all youth events sponsored by the Brick Recreation Department for a period not exceeding 12 months from the date of the incident.

Any parent, participant, player, official, coach or spectator at any youth sporting event shall be subject to the authority of all field officials, including umpires, referees and appointed league officials or coaches of the youth sports activity. This authority shall also include any youth teams, practice or instructional event, and such authority shall include the authorization to direct any persons involved in any incident in violation of this chapter or applicable Code of Conduct to immediately remove themselves from the premises.

Any parent, participant, player, official, coach or spectator who violates one or more of the provisions contained in the Code of Conduct, either during the same event, or separate events, may be banned from attending, coaching, officiating, participating in any youth sports events sponsored by the Brick Township Recreation Department for a period not exceeding 12 months if the person:

- (1) Has been issued a prior written warning for violating one or more of the provisions contained in the Code of Conduct; or
- (2) Violates the Code of Conduct by engaging in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee, guest or spectator; or
- (3) Violates the Code of Conduct by initiating a fight or scuffle with any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee, guest or spectator.

Any parent, coach or spectator who violates one or more of the provisions contained in the Code of Conduct during an event may be asked to vacate the premises immediately along with his or her child who, if necessary, will be removed from game play.

Team # _____

Coach: _____

Parent Signatures: