

## Youth Recreation Programs' Coaches/Instructors Code of Conduct

By signing this pledge, I commit to be positive about my team's/participant's experience and I accept responsibility as a coach/instructor in youth recreation programs by following the Coaches'/Instructors' Code of Conduct:

- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support of all players, coaches, and officials at every game, practice, and other youth recreation events.
- I will always keep youth recreation a positive and fun experience for my team and/or participants.
- I will place the emotional and physical well-being and safety of my team and/or participants above all other considerations.
- I will treat players, parents, other coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.
- I will ensure an environment that fosters learning, sportsmanship, and teamwork at all practices, games, and other youth recreation events.
- I will refrain from using profanity at any games, practices or any other youth recreation events.
- I will refrain from using or being under the influence of drugs, tobacco or alcohol while attending games, practices or any other youth recreation events.
- I will practice positive reinforcement at all times with my team and/or participants, and will reward them for their accomplishments.
- I will always speak to game officials with respect at all times, on and off the field.
- I will read and understand all rules and guidelines of the recreation activity I coach and/or instruct.
- I will keep an open line of communication between myself and other coaches, parents, and officials.
- I will set a level of commitment that I will encourage my team and/or participant to follow.
- I will remember that the game is for youth, not for adults.

By signing this Coaches' and Instructors' Code of Conduct, I understand that I must abide by all of the rules given. I also understand that by following the Coaches'/ Instructors' Code of Conduct that I can help make youth recreation programs a better place for everyone involved.

Coach's/Instructor's PRINTED Name:	Sport/Program
Coach's/Instructor's SIGNATURE:	Date: