## **Coaches Code of Conduct**

- I will remember that I am a youth coach, and that the game is for the children, not adults.
- I will place the emotional, mental, and physical well-being of all participants ahead of my personal desire to win. Remember: recreational sports are learning experiences and mistakes are sometimes made. Praise athletes in their attempts.
- I understand that my approval to coach is based upon the results of my background screening.
- I will remember to treat each player as an individual, remembering that each child develops (emotionally and physically) at his/her own rate. Respect the integrity and personality of the individual athlete.
- I will attend the seasonal mandatory coaches' clinic and meeting for each sport that I am coaching.
- I will not publicly question or criticize an official's judgment and respect the calls of the game official and teach my players and encourage parents to do the same. The officials are doing their best to manage a fair game.
- I will use appropriate coaching techniques and organize practices that are fun and challenging for all my players.
- I will ensure that I am knowledgeable in the rules of each sport that I coach, and I will teach these rules to all my players.
- I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my player and reward those who display it.
- I will exemplify the highest moral character, behavior and leadership, adhering to strong standards of ethics and integrity.
- I will display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat. Remember that children are affected by negativism. Comments should be words to BUILD UP AND NOT TEAR DOWN.
- I will be no party to the use of profanity, obscene language or improper actions.
- I will treat opponents kindly as if a guest or friend. Show appreciate for hard work and team effort.
- I will never direct remarks at opponents in a negative or taunting manner.
- I will wish opposing players good luck before the game and congratulate them on their efforts at game end.
- I will give encouragement and respect to injured players such as being quiet or taking a knee, etc.

Coach Name	Coach Signature