

# PARTICIPANT CODE OF CONDUCT

City of Loveland Parks and Recreation Department Adult Athletics EFFECTIVE 01-01-14

### 1. NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:

At any time physically or verbally abuse an official, participant or spectator by laying a hand/foot, glove, bat, throw a ball (menacingly), or otherwise in any way threaten with bodily harm. Official is required to suspend participant immediately from further play and report the incident to the field/gym supervisor who then reports incident to the program coordinator.

### 2. NO SMOKING/DRINKING/DRUGS:

The following items are not allowed in any City of Loveland indoor facility, on any playing surface, dugout, and warm-up area or in any school facilities where Loveland Adult Athletics programs are held: Smoking, alcohol consumption or possession, or drug usage or possession.

At any time a participant or coach appears on the field/court to participate while under the influence of alcohol or drugs in such a manner as to not have control of his/her faculties to the extent that bodily harm is imminent to themselves or other participants, such participant(s) will not be allowed to participate and will be asked to leave by field/court supervisor. Refusal to leave or other disorderly conduct will require the Police Department to be called into the matter.

The Adult Athletics official is required to suspend participant/spectator immediately from further play and report the incident to the field/gym supervisor and the Adult Athletics program coordinator.

### 3. NO TEAM SHALL:

The coach, manager, assistant coach/manager or acting coach shall not be allowed to use an illegal player in any Loveland Parks and Recreation Adult Athletic Programs. Minimum Penalty: Forfeiture of game if an illegal participant is discovered during the game. If an illegal player is used and that player is discovered, the coach of record for that game and the illegal player will be suspended until further notice and may be reinstated only after a meeting with the program coordinator.

# **EFFECT OF PENALTY:**

- ♦ ONE-MINUTE CLAUSE IN EFFECT (see bottom of page)
- ♦ Such participants(s) shall remain suspended until further notice and may be reinstated only after a meeting with the program coordinator.
- ♦ The program coordinator's decision will be final.

### **MINIMUM PENALTY:**

♦ All suspensions/ejections will be subject to a minimum two-game suspension plus one-year probation.

### **MAXIMUM PENALTY:**

♦ Penalties could range from a 1-15 year suspension according to severity of violation.

## **PROBATION MEANS:**

If you are removed from another game or Adult Athletic activity while on probation, you will be suspended and become ineligible to participate in any City of Loveland Adult Athletic activity for a minimum of one year. The program coordinator will determine probation and full suspension terms.

### **ONE-MINUTE CLAUSE:**

If you are removed from any game or contest of Adult Athletics' sponsored activity; you may be allowed to remain on the premises unless determined by the supervisor or official that your conduct is not appropriate. If you are not allowed to remain on the premises you will then be allowed one minute to remove yourself from the playing area or the entire complex or building area, whichever is deemed necessary by the supervisor. If this time limit is not met, further play of that game will cease at that time, and the contest shall be forfeited to the opponent.

THE CITY OF LOVELAND PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT ADULT ATHLETICS UPHOLD THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS. FOR ALL SPORTS THEY SPONSOR. THESE RULES WERE DETERMINED BY STAFF AND ARE IN EFFECT FOR THE PROTECTION AND WELL BEING OF ALL PARTICIPANTS AND SPECTATORS. ALL RULES REMAIN IN EFFECT FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER THE PLAYING OF ANY GAME.