



# **BULLDOG YOUTH FOOTBALL**

## **Coaches Standards of Conduct 2010**

Coaches will provide a positive environment conducive to teaching the fundamentals of football, teamwork, sportsmanship, and responsibility. Coaches are expected to serve as role models by conducting themselves in a responsible adult manner both on the field and as members of the community.

All coaches are expected to know and adhere to IHSA, TCYFL, and organizational rules, as appropriate, governing the conduct of league football games. Incorporated in the standards are means by which coaches will be measured and corrective action in the event of violation. Therefore, the following Standards of Conduct have been established by the Bulldog Youth Sports program for compliance by all coaching personnel.

### **Accordingly, coaches shall not:**

- Use verbal intimidation towards players, including personal degradation.
- Use profanity while on the practice or game field.
- Physically handle the children in an abusive manner, with absolutely no grabbing of the facemask.
- Smoke or use of other tobacco products while on the practice or game field.
- Engage in abusive verbal or physical altercations with officials, coaches, parents, or fans. Any confirmed physical incident will result in an immediate dismissal or forfeiture of any fees paid. Any confirmed incident of abusive verbal behavior may result in suspension or dismissal and forfeiture of any fees paid.
- Sell or be involved in the sale or use of drugs. Individuals criminally charged with the sale, possession or use of drugs shall be indefinitely suspended. If convicted, the coach will be dismissed from the organization and forfeit any fees paid.
- Provide performance-enhancing compounds or liquids (i.e. including but not limited to steroids, protein supplements, weight loss supplements) to participants in the Bulldog Youth Sports organization. Individuals found to have provided performance-enhancing compounds to participants in the organization shall be immediately dismissed and forfeit any fees paid.
- Appear at, or participate in, a practice or game under the influence of alcohol. This includes the odor on their breath or clothing. Any confirmed incident will automatically result in a coach being dismissed from the League.
- Respect the privacy and confidentiality of any player's medical condition by not sharing of any information to other Parents, Players or Coaches.

### **Attendance at Practices, League Meetings, and Parent Meetings**

- Head Coaches are expected to attend/participate in all scheduled practices and coaches meetings, including open Board meeting. If a Head Coach is unable to attend the open Board meeting, they must arrange for an assistant coach to attend in their absence.
- All Head Coaches will conduct regular team/parent meetings, weekly is recommended. The purpose of this meeting is to inform the parents of the players responsibilities, league rules, introduce the players and coaches to the Standards of Conduct, upcoming events and answer any questions.
- Assistant coaches are expected to attend/participate in all scheduled practices and coaches meetings.



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### Ejections from Games

- The ejection of a coach from a game must be reported to a member of the Bulldog Youth Sports Board immediately after the game. If the ejection involves a coach, the board must report the ejection to the TCYFL league secretary within 24 hours of the incident. The Board will review and may conduct a hearing on the ejection.
- Consequences for Ejections
  1. Ejection from a game will automatically result in a one game suspension for the coach that was ejected (not to include the game of ejection).
  2. If the ejection is a result of a physical altercation, the coach shall be immediately dismissed from the organization.
  3. If the TCYFL suspends the coach for one game, the board may not impose additional suspensions based on the outcome of the hearing.

All violations of the Standards of Conduct must be reported to the Board. The Board shall review the complaint within 72 hours of receipt. A validated complaint may result in a warning, an immediate suspension or dismissal from the League.

The final decision will be the responsibility of the Board. In the event the complaint is against a member of the Board, the remaining members of the Board will render the decision.

### Coach's Information

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_