

NEW BERN PARKS & RECREATION

Coaches Code of Conduct

1. I will place the emotional and physical well being of my players ahead of any personal desire to win.
2. I will treat each player as an individual, remembering the large range of emotional and physical development for the same age group.
3. I will do my best to provide a safe playing situation for my players.
4. I will do my best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all my players.
5. I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my players.
6. I will provide a sports environment for my team that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and I will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
7. I will be knowledgeable in the rules of each sport that I coach, and I will teach these rules to my players.
8. I will use those coaching techniques appropriate for each of the skills that I teach.
9. I will remember that I am a youth sports coach, and that the game is for children and not adults.
10. I will respect the integrity and judgment of game officials.
11. I will display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
12. I will be no party to the use of profanity, obscene language or improper actions.
13. I will treat each player, opposing coach, official, parent and administrator with respect and dignity.
14. I will learn the strengths and weaknesses of my players so that I might place them into situations where they have a maximum opportunity to achieve success.
15. I will conduct my practices and games so that all players have an opportunity to improve their skill level through active participation
16. I will lead by example.
17. I will be generous with praise, when it is deserved.
18. I will never ridicule or shout at players for making mistakes or losing a game.
19. I will ensure that all players participate. "Average" players deserve equal time.
20. I will create a safe and enjoyable environment in which to train and play.
21. I will make a personal commitment to keep informed on sound coaching principles and methods, and on the principles of growth and development of young people.

I understand my responsibility as a coach and I pledge to observe, Practice and maintain this code of conduct.

Print your name

Coaches Signature

Date

Violation of the Coaches Code of Conduct is a serious matter and could subject the violator to appropriate action, including separation from the league. Reports of or disputes relating to possible violations should be brought to the attention of New Bern Parks and Recreation.