

**MARYLAND & NO. VIRGINIA RECREATION & PARKS SPORTS CODE OF CONDUCT**

**The Following Jurisdictions Have Endorsed These Standards**

**Alexandria**

**Annapolis**

**Anne Arundel County**

**Arlington County**

**Baltimore County**

**Bowie**

**Calvert County**

**Fairfax County**

**Gaithersburg**

**Greenbelt**

**Howard County**

**Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission**

**Rockville**

**Takoma Park**

**Failure To Comply With These Standards May Result In Disciplinary Actions By The Above Jurisdictions**

**As a Player, I understand that I must follow these rules to stay in good standing:**

- 1. Respect the game, play fairly and follow it's rules and regulations.**
- 2. Show respect for authority to the officials of the game and of the league.**
- 3. Demonstrate good sportsmanship before, during and after games.**
- 4. Help parents and fans understand the league philosophy so they can watch and enjoy the game.**
- 5. Be courteous to opposing teams and treat all players and coaches with respect.**
- 6. Be modest when successful and be gracious in defeat.**
- 7. Respect the privilege of the use of public facilities.**
- 8. Refrain from the use of drugs, tobacco, alcohol and abusive language.**

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**As a Parent/Guardian, I recognize that parents/guardians are the most important role models for their children, and that sports help to develop a sense of teamwork, self-worth and sportsmanship. As such, I agree to abide by the following:**

- 1. Encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, fans and officials at games, practices and other sporting events.**
- 2. Place the well being of my child before a personal desire to win.**
- 3. Advocate a sports environment for my child that is free of drugs, tobacco, alcohol and abusive language, and refrain from their use during youth sporting events.**
- 4. Encourage my child to play by the rules and respect the rights of other players, coaches, fans, and officials.**

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**As a Coach, I recognize that coaches are role models for their team members and all participants involved in the activity, and that sports help to develop a sense of teamwork, self-worth and sportsmanship. As such, I agree to abide by the following:**

- 1. Place the emotional and physical well being of my players ahead of a personal desire or external pressure to win.**
- 2. Do my best to provide a safe playing environment for all participants.**
- 3. Lead by example by demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all involved.**
- 4. Provide a sports environment for my team that is free of drugs, tobacco, alcohol, and abusive language and refrain from their use at all sporting events.**
- 5. Respect the game and league officials and communicate with them in an appropriate manner.**
- 6. Be knowledgeable of the league rules and regulations, and teach these rules to all players on my team.**
- 7. Encourage my team members to play by the league rules and respect the rights of other players, coaches, fans, and officials.**
- 8. Be responsible for my own behavior and also the behavior of my team members, their parents, and fans.**

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