

# New Castle Recreation Department

## Player/Coach/Manager/Spectator

### Code of Conduct

The following Code of Conduct has been adopted by the New Castle Recreation Department and will be strictly enforced during all sports leagues. Managers and coaches are advised that players on their rosters must abide by the standards established herein or be subject to the penalties outlined below or being dropped from the roster. Managers and coaches may be held responsible for the actions of their players and spectators.

1. **NO PLAYER/COACH/MANAGER/SPECTATOR SHALL:** At any time lay a hand upon, shove or strike, or threaten a facility supervisor or game official. Facility Supervisors and/or game officials are required to immediately suspend player/coach/manager/spectator from further play and report such player to the league supervisor. Such player/coach/manager/spectator shall remain suspended until the Recreation Director has considered their case.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension from two league games and placed on probation for remainder of season.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspension for life and/or assault charges filed.

2. **NO PLAYER/COACH/MANAGER/SPECTATOR SHALL:** Refuse to abide by the facility supervisor's/game officials decision. Facility Supervisors and/or game officials are required to immediately suspend player/coach/manager/spectator from further play and report such player to the league supervisor. Such player/coach/manager/spectator shall remain suspended until the Recreation Director has considered his/her case.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Placed on probation for remainder of the season.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspension from two league games, and placed on probation for remainder of season.

3. **NO PLAYER/COACH/MANAGER/SPECTATOR SHALL:** Be guilty of objectionable demonstrations dissent at a facility supervisor's/game officials decision.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Warning by the facility/site supervisor.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game.

4. **NO PLAYER/COACH/MANAGER/SPECTATOR SHALL:** Discuss with a facility supervisor/game official in any manner the decision reached by such official, except the manager or captain.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Warning by the facility supervisor and/or game official.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game.

5. **NO PLAYER/COACH/MANAGER/SPECTATOR SHALL:** Be guilty of using unnecessarily rough tactics in the play of the game against the body or person of any opposing player. Facility Supervisors and /or game officials are required to immediately suspend player/coach/manager/spectator from further play and report such players to the league supervisor.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Placed on probation for the remainder of the season.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspension for two league games and placed on probation for the remainder of season.

6. **NO PLAYER/COACH/MANAGER/SPECTATOR SHALL:** Be guilty of physical attack as an aggressor upon any player, facility supervisor/game official or spectator. Facility Supervisors/game officials are required to immediately suspend player/coach/manager/spectator from further play and report such player to the league supervisor. Player/coach/manager/spectator will remain suspended until the Recreation Director has considered the case.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension from two league games and placed on probation for remainder of season.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspension for life and/or assault charges filed.

7. **NO PLAYER/COACH/MANAGER/SPECTATOR SHALL:** Be guilty of an abusive verbal attack upon any player, facility supervisor, game official, or spectator. Facility Supervisors and/or game officials are required to immediately suspend player from further play and report such player to the league supervisor. Should the verbal attack occur either before or after the game is completed, or from within the spectator area, said player/manager/coach/spectator will still be reported to the league supervisor, with possible suspension being the result of said player's actions. Player/coach/manager/spectator shall remain suspended until the Recreation Director has considered his case.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension from two league games and placed on probation for the remainder of the season.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspension for the remainder of the season.

8. **NO PLAYER/COACH/MANAGER/SPECTATOR SHALL:** Consume any alcoholic beverage while participating in league games or appear upon the field of play at any time in an intoxicated condition. Officials are required to immediately suspend player/manager/coach/spectator from play and report it to the league supervisor for further consideration.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension for two league games and placed on probation for the remainder of the season.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspension for the remainder of the season.

9. **NO PLAYER/COACH/MANAGER/SPECTATOR SHALL:** Be guilty of gambling upon any play or the outcome of games with any spectator, player or opponent. Facility Supervisors and/or game officials are required to report violation of this rule to the league supervisor.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Placed on probation for the remainder of the season.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspension for the remainder of the season.

10. **NO PLAYER/COACH/MANAGER/SPECTATOR SHALL:** Smoke while coming off or going to the field or court, or while on the field of play. Smoking is prohibited on all school campuses!

MINIMUM PENALTY: Warning from official.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Removal from game.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

1. Any player/coach/manager/spectator being placed on probation for the remainder of the season and reported again for violating the "Code of Conduct" will be suspended for the remainder of the season.
2. Any player/coach/manager/spectator removed from a game must leave the park, gym or school facility immediately. Failure to do so will carry maximum penalty of suspension for the remainder of the season as well as forfeiture of contest by said player's/coaches/managers/spectators team.
3. Appeals to any determination must be in writing and submitted to the Recreation Director only. Appeals must be submitted, in writing, within 7 days of the written disciplinary notice to the attention of the Recreation Director. Failure to submit a written appeal within the 7 days will void any subsequent appeal. All appeals will then be reviewed and a final decision made within 14 days of the original notice.
4. Players/coaches/managers/spectators are asked to cooperate totally in eliminating the littering and parking problems around the ball fields/gyms.

*As an applicant to coach, manage or participate in a youth or adult sports team in a New Castle Recreation Department sponsored sports program, I have read and reviewed this Code of Conduct with participants on the team(s) I'm involved with. I agree to abide by the program rules and understand that violations of this Code of Conduct, as well as other program rules, may result in disciplinary action.*

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**NEW CASTLE RECREATION SPORTSMANSHIP CODE**

*Good sportsmanship is everyone's responsibility. Demonstrating good sportsmanship includes recognizing the skills of all players and officials; self-control, humility in victory; calmness and composure in defeat; and concern for others. Please display good sportsmanship at all times on the field, on the bench, and in the stands.*