## NATIONAL YOUTH SPORTS PARENT'S CODE OF CONDUCT

## We pledge to follow the National Youth Sports Parent's Code of Conduct:

I will remember that youth sports are played for **fun!** 

I will be a role model for my team demonstrating how to treat other players, parents, officials and coaches with respect always.

I will demonstrate good sportsmanship regardless of the score by acting in a positive manner towards all players, officials, parents and coaches.

I will show respect to all referees, officials, or umpires and never act in a manner that would be disrespectful toward them.

I will be an encouragement to all players on all teams regardless of the score.

I will place my child's emotional and physical well-being ahead of my own personal desire to win.

I will volunteer to help my child's team by coaching, officiating, planning team parties, team pictures, and team trophy orders, phone calls and/or other needs.

I will not use drugs, tobacco, or alcohol at any National Youth Sports practices or games and will remind other parents not to do so. ANY USE WILL RESULT IN AN EJECTION FROM THE FACILITY AND MAY FORCE THE LEAGUE TO REMOVE THE PLAYER FROM THE LEAGUE.

## I will remember that the game is played for the youth and not for the adults.

I will encourage my child to shake hands with the other team at the conclusion of all games.

I will encourage my child to shake hands with the officials at the conclusion of all games.

I understand that myself, and possibly my child, will be suspended without warning from the league for any violation of this Parent's Code of Conduct.

## DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES AND PENALTIES

- 1. The players, head coach, and assistant coaches can be in the coach's box on the sidelines. These individuals must have proper identification to be on the playing side of the parent line. All other parents, friends, and/or relatives must stay in the designated area, even if you are filming. Ladders are prohibited at each site to protect the children, fans, and staff.
- 2. Profanity and arguing with any game official, NYS staff, or opposing parent/coach is not allowed, ZERO TOLERANCE. This will be strictly enforced. Failure to comply will be handled as follows:

Coach will be ejected from the game and suspended by the league for up to three games. Coaches can only be reinstated at the league coordinator's discretion.

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) will be ejected from the game and suspended for the following week's game. If the problem persists then the child of the parent/guardian may be suspended for one or more games.

Players will be ejected from the game and suspended for the following week's game. If the problem persists then the child may be suspended for the season and banned from future participation in the league. All Suspensions remain at the discretion of the league commissioner.

- 3. In addition, any individual who is ejected from a game for any reason is subject to banishment from the league. NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN FOR THOSE IN VIOLATION.
- 4. NYS considers the code of conduct posted online as the first warning to all individuals participating in the league.
- 5. Any parents found engaging in verbal or physical violence with other parents, coaches, referees, or NYS staff will be suspended indefinitely from the league.
- 6. Any player, coach, or parent that is ejected from a game is automatically suspended for the next game played by their team. This suspension is mandatory and cannot be reduced or removed, though it can be lengthened at league discretion.
- 7. There is no smoking, smokeless tobacco, or alcohol of any kind permitted at any NYS Facility. Any parent breaking this rule will automatically be ejected from the league.