

Volunteer Coach Code of Conduct

During my tenure as a volunteer coach for Niwot Youth Sports I pledge to:

1. Cooperate cordially with all participants involved with the activity. This includes officials, other coaches, participants, parents and spectators.
2. Never physically, verbally or emotionally harm, hurt, humiliate or intimidate another participant, coach, parent or official. I will do my best to avoid showing frustration in the presence of players, parents, spectators, etc.
3. Never use profanity and refrain from language that is in bad taste.
4. Listen to and follow all direction from NYS staff and officials.
5. Communicate to all participants, players, parents, spectators and officials in a friendly and reasonable manner.
6. Respect all facilities, fields and equipment.
7. Participate to the best of my ability and in a safe and professional manner at all times.
8. Complete all required league paperwork and organize team practices (if applicable) that provide a safe and fun environment. Create practices that are fun and challenging for all players.
9. Review and provide basic first aid principles if needed. Review/complete concussion awareness documents/training and be on the look-out for signs and symptoms while children are under my supervision.
10. Be knowledgeable of league rules, and communicate them to my players and parents as needed.
11. Demonstrate and require fair play and sportsmanship from your players at all times. Lead by example by demonstrating respect and class toward your opponent at all times.
12. Provide an environment that is completely free from aggressive behavior, violence, drugs, tobacco and alcohol.
13. Place the emotional and physical well-being of my players ahead of the desire to win.
14. Treat each player as an individual, taking into account the large range of emotional and physical development for youth age groups.
15. Use only coaching techniques appropriate for the skill level and level of league competitiveness.
16. Always remember that I am a youth sports coach, and that the game is for children and not adults. If I cannot participate according to this Code of Conduct and/or league rules, then depending on the seriousness of the offense(s), I understand that any, or all, of the following disciplinary actions may occur:
 - Verbal warning
 - Written warning

- Immediate removal from activity including facility
- Suspension from participation including attendance at activity and/or facility
- Indefinite Expulsion from all activities and facilities

With my signature, which I voluntarily affix to this contract, I acknowledge that I have read, understand, and will do my best to fulfill the promises made herein.

Volunteer Coach Signature: _____