

We have a **ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY** regarding the conduct of coaches, of parents, and of young participants. We expect and demand behavior that is consistent with the YMCA's stated goals...**to build strong kids, strong families, strong communities.**

COACH'S CODE OF CONDUCT

I will provide a playing environment for my players that is safe from physical and emotional harm.

I will treat each player as an individual, keeping in mind the wide range of physical and emotional development within the same age group.

I will place the emotional and physical well being of my players ahead of any personal or parental desires to win.

I will lead by example, demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship in my on- and off- field activities.

I will abide by the YMCA's code of conduct:

- I will not subject any child to neglect or to mental, verbal, physical, or sexual abuse
- I will not leave any child unsupervised
- I will not be alone with any child where we cannot be observed by others
- I will not transport any children in my vehicle
- I will not give any child gifts or special favors
- I will treat all children equally without respect to gender, race, religion, culture, or ability
- I will be a positive role model by maintaining an attitude of respect, loyalty, patience, courtesy, tact, and maturity
- I will utilize positive guidance techniques
- I will refrain from profanity, inappropriate jokes, and sharing of intimate details of my personnel life

I will not hold extra or special practices.

I will use coaching techniques that are appropriate for all the ages and skill levels present.

I will seek and encourage parental participation at practices, games, and any other activities.

I will respectfully control the behavior of players and parents by asking them to leave the field or sidelines should they become unruly or create an atmosphere that is not appropriate for the development of good sportsmanship.

Print Coach's name

Coach's signature

Date signed