

PALMYRA AREA RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION (PARPC)
Coaches Codes of Conduct

Mission Statement: The Palmyra Area Recreation and Parks Commission (PARPC) is an association created by North Londonderry Township, South Londonderry Township, the Borough of Palmyra, and the Palmyra Area School District to be the centralized focus for recreation and leisure time activities for all area residents, by maximizing the use of municipal, school district, non-profit and private facilities and resources. In order to put our philosophy into practice, and to promote a high level of community spirit, the Commission endorses the following "Codes of Conduct."

ALL COACHES SHALL: (please initial each line)

- _____ not attend any PARPC activity while under the influence of alcohol or drugs;
- _____ lead by example in demonstrating fair play and good sportsmanship;
- _____ understand as well as educate players and parents that the game is for the children, not the adults;
- _____ learn the rules of the particular sport and teach these rules to both parents and athletes, when necessary;
- _____ maintain the safety and well-being of their players, taking into account the large range of emotional and physical development in any age;
- _____ explain to parents what is expected of them and their children;
- _____ provide a positive, enjoyable atmosphere for the players and parents;
- _____ refrain from open argument with referees and other coaches;
- _____ refrain from making negative comments about other coaches, players, and referees;
- _____ welcome parents to support the team with their presence as much as possible;
- _____ refrain from negotiating contracts with vendors and abide by contracts set forth by PARPC;
- _____ ensure equitable playing time for all players;
- _____ discipline players in a FAIR and CONSISTENT manner;
- _____ be prepared to deal with concussions and injuries in a timely manner by reviewing first aid principles;
- _____ maintain consistent practice schedule that is fun and challenging while providing valuable instruction;
- _____ support all fundraising efforts to help raise community support and necessary funds for equipment;
- _____ only use PARPC registered players;
- _____ shall not participate in unlawful activities;
- _____ shall obtain and maintain Child Abuse and State Police Criminal Background Clearances without any offenses or infractions.

_____ **REMEMBER, THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS TO HAVE FUN!**

Coaches representing PARPC shall abide by the "Code of Conduct" at all times. Inappropriate behavior that violates the "Code of Conduct" shall result in immediate dismissal from the program.

I have read and understand the requirements of this Code of Conduct. I will act in accordance with this Code. I understand that PARPC will and should expect me to follow this Code of Conduct.

Coach's Name- print

Coach's Signature

Date

Sport/Team

This document must be signed, returned, and on file with PARPC, prior to the start of the practice season, by any person interested in functioning in the capacity as a coach (head or assistant).