

Walton County Parks and Recreation Code of Conduct for Coaches and Participants

Responsibilities of Coaches and Participants

1. Our children are the most important consideration in our program, winning is not.
2. Understand that these Responsibilities and Standards of Behavior are to be followed at all times.
3. Understand the general rules of your sport. Read and understand the rules governing play and protests as established by Walton County Parks & Recreation.
4. Make every effort to cooperate with the administrative personnel, the on-site personnel and other officials employed by Walton County Parks & Recreation.
5. Ensure that all coaches complete the approved coach's certification training before the beginning of the season.

Standards of Behavior for Coaches and Participants

1. Consistently demonstrate a positive attitude, good sportsmanship and an even temperament.
2. Remember that umpire judgment calls are neither debatable nor subject to protest. Any discussion with an umpire about perceived rule violation(s) during a game must be brief and courteous. If after a brief, courteous discussion you feel additional action is necessary, follow the protest guidelines.
3. There will be no tolerance of physical contact, threats or taunts to any person involved with the Walton County program.
4. There will be no tolerance of unsportsmanlike conduct, use of obscene or abusive language, indecent jesters or other unruly behavior on the part of the coaches, fans, umpires or players.
5. Although coaches cannot be responsible for the conduct of other adults, as a coach or participant, you should take responsible actions to intervene and counsel parents, fans or players from your team whenever possible. Parents, fans and players are also subject to ejection.
6. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed during Walton County Parks and Recreation events.
7. Coaches will not use tobacco products in any recreation facility.

Any violation of this Code of Conduct will result in disciplinary action taken by the Director of the Walton County Parks and Recreation or his designee. Coaches, participants or players ejected during a game are automatically suspended from their next scheduled game and may result in the Director taking further disciplinary action, including being banned from all Walton County Parks and Recreation events or properties.

A coach, participant or player who is ejected from a game can appeal, in writing, the subsequent game suspension to the Director, or his designee, within 24 hours. A person ejected during a game must remove him/her self immediately from the game and leave the area. Any violation of the Standards of Behavior is NOT subject to appeal and may result in being banned from all Walton County Parks and Recreation events or properties.

As such, I do hereby agree to abide by the philosophies and the rules as established by Walton County Parks and Recreation. I also agree to support and adhere to this Code of Conduct and Standards of Behavior.

Printed Name

Signature

Date