

Manalapan Parks and Recreation

Code of Conduct for Parents, Spectators, Players and Coaches

This Code of Conduct is an extension of our “Be A Sport” theme.
This does not replace the Volunteer Code of Conduct, but enhances it.

- I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
- I (and my guests) will show good sportsmanship; no swearing, foul language, fighting, or disrespect toward coaches, officials, players or other parents.
- I will not argue with the coach’s or officials’ decision or publicly question his/her judgment or integrity. If necessary, I will take time to speak with coaches/officials at an agreed upon time/place.
- As a parent, I will communicate with the coach to determine his/her expectations. As a coach/volunteer, I will communicate same with the parents of my players.
- I understand that all youth volunteers must undergo and pass a **Criminal History Background Check**, and have proof of same (ID) whenever in the presence of a minor.
- I (and my guests) will refrain from coaching my child or other players during a game and/or practice unless I am an appointed coach to the team.
- I will be responsible for supervising others that I bring to the game and/or practice.
- I will not leave a child at game and/or practice unless a CHBC approved volunteer is present and will be prompt with picking up the child from practice or game.
- I (and my guests) will not use drugs or alcohol while at a youth sports event and will not attend, coach, officiate or participate in a youth sports event while under the influence of drugs or alcohol. I will demand a sports environment for my child/player that is free from drugs, tobacco and alcohol.
- I will teach my child/player to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- I will demand that my child/player treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect, regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
- I (and my guests) will praise my child/player for competing fairly and trying hard, and make that child feel like a winner every time.

As a parent of a participant in the Manalapan Parks and Recreation programs, I acknowledge and agree to the above Code of Conduct and understand that a violation may result in disciplinary action.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Disciplinary actions may include, but are not limited to:

- Verbal warning by official, head coach and/or head of league.
- Written warning.
- Game suspension with written documentation of incident kept on file by MP&R
- Game forfeit through official or coach
- Season suspension

All warnings are reported to and documented by Manalapan Parks and Recreation, and will remain active for one calendar year from the date of the offense.