

SOUTHWEST LICKING YOUTH FOOTBALL AND CHEER

COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT

Youth sports are supposed to be fun – for the children. Actions by fans, parents, coaches, whether verbal or non-verbal, can have a lasting emotional effect on children. Too many children are leaving sports activities because of the fun in unfairly being taken away from them by adults. As a coach in the SWLYFC program, your actions reflect not only on you, but your team and our league.

As a coach in the SWLYFC program, you agree to abide by and follow the rules and guidelines below:

- I will adhere to the SWLYFC **ZERO Tolerance Policy**. I will not be under the influence of or in possession of drugs, alcohol, tobacco products or weapons of any kind at practices, games, or any other league events.
- I understand that the use of foul language towards anyone (coaches, teammates, officials, board members, opponents, or spectators) will **NOT** be tolerated. I will not engage in any language or actions with the intent to initiate, hurt, intimidate, or humiliate any player, coach, board member, official or spectator. These actions shall be considered harassment and will result in the immediate removal from the practice, game, or league event.
- I will **NOT** post on any social media sites with the intent to initiate, hurt, intimidate, or humiliate any player, coach, board member, official or spectator. The posting of negative, demeaning, or derogatory comments will **NOT** be tolerated. These actions will be considered harassment and may result in immediate removal from the league.
- I understand that at **NO** time during the season will parents/guardians or members of the SWLYFC Board be blocked or deleted from team pages.
- I understand that SWLYFC will NOT tolerate any coach threatening a member of the board, or their children. This will result in **IMMEDIATE** removal from the league.
- I will **NOT** engage in any unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, board member, player, or parent such as booing, taunting, or using profane language or gestures.
- I understand that any concerns about officiating a game or practice must be addressed **NO SOONER THAN 24 HOURS AFTER THE GAME/PRACTICE** in question. I understand that I am to address my concern to the Commissioner or Vice Commissioner. If I feel that my concern is still not being addressed, I will follow the leagues complaint policy and make a written complaint to be addressed, I will follow the leagues complaint policy and make a written complaint to be addressed by all members of the SWLYFC Board.
- I will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and demonstrate positive support for all players, coaches, board members, officials and spectators at every game, practice, or league event.
- I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health or wellbeing of the athletes.
- I will encourage my players to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence. I will demand my players treat all players, coaches, board members, officials and spectators with respect.

- I understand that by refusing to sign this Code of Conduct that I acknowledge that I will not be eligible to coach for SWLYFC.

I realize that if I violate this Code of Conduct, I may be subject to disciplinary action that could include one or more, but not limited to the following:

- Verbal warning by SWLYFC Board
- Written Warning
- Coach Game suspension with written documentation of incident kept on file by SWLYFC Board
- Coach season suspension
- Coach and parental suspension from ALL future SWLYFC (home or away) practices, games, and events.

By signing below, I, the Parent/Legal Guardian agree to abide by and be subjected to this Code of Conduct.

Coach Name (printed): _____

Coach Signature: _____

Date: _____