

EVENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Eau Claire Community Services – Parks, Recreation, and Forestry

Administration is responsible for communicating conduct policies for all events scheduled at Parks and Recreation facilities and activities organized by the department.

Behaviors not consistent with the Department mission, vision, and expectation will result in ejection from the event facility and may result in contacting law enforcement, when necessary.

Officials are considered primary game managers and have the authority to suspend play, issue warnings, and administer ejections to ensure the environment promotes sportsmanship, respect, and safety.

Anyone responsible for damage to equipment or facilities will be held accountable for all replacement and repair costs.

PROGRAM COORDINATORS

- Establish a positive environment.
- Emphasize player development and provide code of conduct to coaches, players, spectators, and officials.
- Promote and enforce codes of conduct.
- Evaluate coach and staff performances on the principals of sportsmanship.

PARTICIPANTS

- Treat opponents with respect.
- Exercise self-control.
- Display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
- Accept the judgement of the officials without complaint or unnecessary gestures.
- Congratulate the opponents in a sincere manner following victory or defeat.
- Accept the responsibility and privilege of representing your community.

COACHES

- Instruct players on their responsibilities of sportsmanship.
- Respect the officials' judgement and interpretations of the rules.
- Publicly shake hands with the officials and opposing coaches before and after each contest.
- Be sensitive to explosive situations; remove player(s) and self before problems arise.
- Communicate program goals and objectives to participants, parents, and spectators.
- Develop parent and player relationships, by providing information and communicating expectations consistently

PARENTS / STUDENTS / SPECTATORS

- Respect both players and fans of opposing teams.
- Be a role model! Don't harass or trash talk opponents, coaches, or officials before, during, or after a contest.
- Recognize and support the efforts of coaches, officials, leagues, and administrators.
- Support players with positive actions and encouragement.
- Respect the officials' judgement and interpretation of the rules.
- Accept both victory and defeat with pride and compassion.
- Applaud all participant efforts, win or lose.

OFFICIALS

- Accept your role in an unassuming manner.
- Maintain confidence and poise, controlling the contest from start to finish.
- Never exhibit emotions or argue with participants, coaches, or spectators when enforcing rules.
- Do your part to promote sportsmanship.
- Be consistent in your approach to every game.
- Be observant of facility and equipment status and communicate safety concerns to administration.

