



NSYFCA requires all football players and cheerleaders that participate in the program to acknowledge, sign and return a code of conduct form.

This code of conduct provides the tenets of sportsmanship, which must be followed, in terms of behavior toward the program's participants, coaches, referees, leadership, volunteers, opponents, and other spectators. Violations of any of the terms of the signed code of conduct are subject to sanctions by NSYFCA, including (but not limited to):

- Verbal and/or Written Admonishments,
- Suspension from League Events, Practices and/or Games,
- Lawful Removal from Program Event Premises, and
- The Issuance & Legal Enforcement of No-Trespass Orders,

The guiding behavioral principles that must be followed by the families, friends & guests of all children who participate in NSYFCA are provided, as follows:

The essential elements of character building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six (6) core principles: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and good citizenship. The highest potential of sports is achieved when competition reflects these *"six pillars of character."*

I agree:

1. I will show proper respect to all and be held to the highest standards of oral conduct and character both on and off the field.
2. I will stay in the team-designated area(s), unless excused to leave, by a coach, parent or guardian.
3. I will not at any time push, shove, punch, kick, fight, bully or be guilty of physical contact as an aggressor upon any official, board member, coach, player, cheerleader, spectator, or others.
4. I will not verbally abuse or threaten any official, board member, coach, player, cheerleader, spectator, or others.
5. I will not harass, bait or be guilty of objectionable demonstrations or dissent at any officials or coach's decision.
6. I will not refuse to abide by an officials or coach's decision.
7. I will not disobey or attempt to circumvent rules and regulations or the intent thereof.
8. I will not use tobacco, alcohol, or illegal narcotics or act in any way that is detrimental to themselves, their team or NSYFCA or CMYFCC.

Unsportsmanlike/Bullying Conduct

Unsportsmanlike/bullying conduct includes but is not limited to the following: fighting, verbal abuse, bullying of a team member or dissent toward an official or opponent, racial or ethnic slurs, inappropriate comments or actions that may be construed as sexual harassment, profanity, obscene gestures, flagrant and violent fouls, taunting, "trash talk", baiting, cheating, throwing or abusing equipment, physical intimidation or abuse of an official or opponent, and unauthorized leaving of a team bench area.

Complaints, Allegations, Grievances

Improper conduct should be reported to the Parent Liaison or President of NSYFCA within 24 hours of the incident. Those who are found guilty of improper code of conduct will be subject to disciplinary action by NSYFCA Board of Directors. Complaints, allegations, or grievances should be brought to the immediate attention of the Parent Liaison and/or President.

Disciplinary Action

1st offense – Coach gives verbal reprimand to individual.

2nd offense – Individual sits out practice/game. Parents and Parent liaison are to be notified. The parents must stay at practice since the next time the child will be asked to leave the practice/game area immediately.

The individual will not be allowed to return after a 3rd offense without coach and Parent Liaison approval.

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The Parent Liaison and/or the President of NSYFCA shall have the power to impose any disciplinary action(s) it deems necessary and appropriate for those who fail to abide by the NSYFCA code of conduct. Disciplinary action can range from a written reprimand to being barred from participation or association with NSYFCA or CMYFCC.

Anyone who does not abide by the above NSYFCA Code of Conduct will be asked to leave the game or event, and may be barred from attending any other NSYFCA or CMYFCC sponsored game or event. Ejection and Suspension

1. Game Ejections:

A. Any coach, player, cheerleader, parent, spectator, or anyone else - whether associated or not associated with NSYFCA - who is ejected (removed) from a game or practice is automatically suspended from attending and/or participating in the next scheduled game or practices for a week. Removal from a game or practice shall be interpreted to include the playing/practice field and the spectator area.

B. A second offense is the same person during the same season and/or during the following season will result in immediate suspension for the remainder of the then current year.

C. A third offense by the same person will result in immediate lifetime suspension from participating or attending any NSYFCA or CMYFCC games and/or any activity sponsored by NSYFCA or CMYFCC.

While on suspension, the coach, player, cheerleader, parent or other(s) may not attend any practices or games in which any NSYFCA team participates.

By signing my name below, I hereby agree to abide by the requirements outlined above, and understand that the violations of these requirements could result in my dismissal from NSYFCA.

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Player/Cheer Name (Please Print)	Player/Cheer Signature	Date
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