

Kawartha Football CODE OF CONDUCT FOR COACHES

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Coaches, along with the athletes comprise the heart of the Kawartha Football organization. While it is extremely important to have hard working, competent and dedicated coaches. It is more important that all involved present themselves in a positive way to that very impressionable child they will be helping. Coaches will therefore be expected to:

- a. Exemplify the highest standard in ethical behavior and fair play.
- b. Refrain from using obscene language or gestures.
- c. Approach Officials in a respectful manner whether or not you are in agreement, and encourage your players to do the same.
- d. Show respect to other coaches and teams by example both during and away from any contest.
- e. Respect the facilities used.
- f. Make sure your team leaves any rooms or area used in better condition than when they arrived.
- g. Accept responsibility for the conduct of yourself, your team and the fans who accompany your team.
- h. Abide by all league rules/regulations.

Kawartha Football CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARTICIPANTS

All children participating in any activity must abide by the following code of conduct and show good sportsmanship at all times by:

- a. Refrain from using obscene language and gestures.
- b. Avoid the use of alcohol, tobacco or any other illegal substance.
- c. Respect officials, coaches, and the players from other teams.
- d. Respect the organization, and gyms and fields used.
- e. Be a good winner and a kind loser.
- f. Accept the responsibility for your own actions.
- g. Follow all league rules.

Kawartha Football CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SPECTATORS

All children participating, all who are coaching, and all involved in officiating have a right to be treated with fairness and respect. The State Law will be enforced which prohibits any fan from either physical or verbal threat of physical confrontation. Kawartha Football will stress sportsmanship on the part of spectators. Therefore, anyone who attends a Kawartha Football activity, if permitted by municipality law, whether paying an admission fee or not, will be subject to the following guidelines:

- a. Do not approach the officials following a game unless you have a positive comment.

b. Do not undermine the effectiveness of officials by shouting negative or argumentative statements from the stands.

c. Treat the children from the “other team” the way you would want your child to be treated.

d. Be supportive of your coaches. They are there because they care. Allow them to do the coaching. If there are problems, take care of them at your own organizational meeting.

INSURANCE

For health and safety, please visit peterboroughpublichealth.ca and footballcanada.ca on the insurance that we at Kawartha Football provide for our children and coaches. We ask that all children and coaches follow recommended guidelines prior to all our events, such as frequently staying hydrated, staying well rested, maintaining physical activity in your spare time, and always having the willingness to learn. These recommendations can go a long way in making our events a better experience for yourself and everyone around you.

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

If you wish to discuss concerns or problems, it is best to begin with the person with whom you are having difficulty. Usually, sitting down and communicating openly is the most efficient and effective way to resolve conflicts. If after discussion with the coach no resolution is reached, please contact the Director of Kawartha Football.