



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT  
FOR HEALTHY LIVING  
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

## YMCA of San Joaquin County Coaches Code of Conduct

The mission of the YMCA of San Joaquin County is to build strong minds, character and bodies for all youth in our community. The behavior of all the adults involved in the youth sports program should help further this mission. Remember that we're here for the kid's enjoyment, and their emotional and physical well-being is the priority, not winning. Sports are naturally fun for children, but if we take the fun out of sports, we run the risk of the young athletes taking themselves out of sports.

Rules:

1. Be positive; praise the players' effort and sportsmanship. Do not openly criticize any child, including your own. Remember the **Child First**, the **Sport Second**.
2. Show respect for all players, coaches, parents and spectators. All the kids are part of our community.
3. Use appropriate language, profanity is FORBIDDEN.
4. Respect the officials' authority. You may not yell at them during the game. Complaining or arguing about calls will not be tolerated.
5. Win or lose, you are to exemplify good sportsmanship. Use your authority to assist YMCA officials in controlling the behavior of players, fans and spectators.
6. All players must play half of the game or as close to it as possible.
7. Only one coach may be standing at a time. If standing, coaches must remain in front of their bench. All coaches are free to stand during timeouts and breaks between periods, i.e. halftime, end of regulation, end of overtime, etc.
8. Abstain from the use of tobacco and alcohol at all YMCA Youth Sports events. Do not attend YMCA sports events while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
9. Be an example of our four core values, CARING, HONESTY, RESPECT and RESPONSIBILITY.
10. Relax and have fun 😊

Please consult with a YMCA staff if you have questions or concerns regarding this code of conduct. All parents, coaches and spectators must comply with the decisions of YMCA officials and observe all rules, policies and procedures as established by the YMCA of San Joaquin County. Failure to do so will result in:

- A verbal warning.
- A technical foul.
- You will be asked to leave the premises, and play will not resume until you have done so.
- Suspension
- Permanent removal from YMCA sports.

Remember that children play, referees call, fans cheer and coaches teach!

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Print Name

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Signature

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Date