

**CITY OF LAFAYETTE RECREATION
PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT**

DEFINITIONS

COACH MANAGER:

A person designated as the team's spokesperson. Coach/Manager may either be a player or non-player.

PLAYER:

A person who is on the roster and participates in the game whether it is playing or sitting on the bench.

SPECTATOR:

A person who comes out to watch the game for the purpose of entertainment with no physical involvement in the game.

OFFICIAL:

People on the field or court assigned by the Recreation Department to administer the official rules of the game.

PARTICIPANT:

Any person involved with the Recreation Department activities or spectating, officiating, playing, coaching, registering for classes or attending events.

RECREATION ACTIVITY:

Any class or event sponsored by the Recreation Department.

SCOREKEEPER/SUPERVISOR:

The Recreation Department employee designated to organize and supervise in activity.

CODE OF CONDUCT:

1. **NO PLAYER OR COACH SHALL**, at any time, lay a hand upon, shove, strike or threaten an official, scorekeeper/supervisor, player, coach or spectator. Officials are required to suspend players or coaches immediately from further play and report such players/coaches to the scorekeeper/supervisor. Such players/coaches shall remain suspended until his case has been considered by the Rules Committee.

PLAYER/COACH MINIMUM PENALTY:

Suspension for the next two League games played; placed on probation for the remainder of the season.

PLAYER/COACH MAXIMUM PENALTY:

Suspension from all Athletic Leagues for the calendar year and probation for the following year, plus, at the beginning of the following year, case is subject to review by the Department of Recreation.

TEAM PENALTY:

Automatic forfeit of current game and possible suspension from the next scheduled game(s) with payment of the Forfeiture Fines.

2. **NO PLAYER OR COACH SHALL** refuse to abide by an official's decision. Officials are required to suspend a player/coach immediately from further play and report said player/coach to the Scorekeeper/Supervisor.

MINIMUM PENALTY:

Placed on probation for the remainder of the season and suspended from one game.

MAXIMUM PENALTY:

Suspension from (2) League games and placed on probation for the remainder of the season.

3. **NO PLAYER OR COACH SHALL** be guilty of obscene gestures or objectionable demonstrations of dissent at an official's decision. The degree of infraction shall, in the official's judgment, draw:

MINIMUM PENALTY:

Warning by the official.

MAXIMUM PENALTY:

Removal from the game and suspension from the teams next game.

4. **NO PLAYER OR COACH SHALL** discuss the decision made by an official in any manner with said official except the manager/coach or captain. The degree of infraction shall, in the official's judgment, draw:

MINIMUM PENALTY:

Placed on probation for the remainder of the season and suspension from the team's next game.

MAXIMUM PENALTY:

Suspension from two (2) leagues games and placed on probation for the remainder of the season.

5. **NO PLAYER OR COACH SHALL** be guilty of physical attack or aggression upon any player/coach, official, scorekeeper/supervisor or spectator. Officials are required to suspend a player or coach from further play immediately and report said player/coach to the scorekeeper/supervisor. Said player/coach shall remain suspended until his case has been considered by the Rules Committee.

PLAYER/COACH MINIMUM PENALTY:

Suspension for the next two League games played; placed on probation for the remainder of the season.

PLAYER/COACH MAXIMUM PENALTY:

Suspension from all Athletic Leagues for the calendar year and probation for the following year, plus at the beginning of the following year, case is subject to review by the Department of Recreation.

TEAM PENALTY:

Automatic Forfeit of current game and possible suspension from the next scheduled game(s) with payment of the forfeiture fines.

6. **NO PLAYER OR COACH SHALL BE GUILTY** of abusive verbal attack upon any player/coach, official, scorekeeper/supervisor or spectator. Officials are required to suspend a player/coach immediately from further play and report said player/coach to the scorekeeper/supervisor. Said player/coach shall remain suspended until his case has been considered by the Rules Committee.

MINIMUM PENALTY:

Placed on probation for the remainder of the season and suspended from the team's next game.

MAXIMUM PENALTY:

Suspension from (2) League games and placed on probation for the remainder of the season.

7. **NO PLAYER OR COACH SHALL** appear on the field or court under the influence of alcohol or drugs in such a manner as not to have control of his faculties to the extent that he is inclined to hurt himself or another player.

MINIMUM PENALTY:

Suspension from the team's next game and place on probation for the remainder of the season.

MAXIMUM PENALTY:

Suspension for the remainder of the season.

8. **NO PLAYER OR COACH SHALL** smoke while coming or going onto the field or court of play; or, while on the field or court of play; or, in any facility used for recreation activities.

MINIMUM PENALTY:

Warning from the official.

MAXIMUM PENALTY:

Removal from the game.

9. **NO PLAYER OR COACH SHALL** consume alcohol during their game time (either on or off the field or dugout) in any facility used for recreation activities.

MINIMUM PENALTY:

Ejection from the game and one game suspension.

MAXIMUM PENALTY:

Ejection from 2 games and probation for the remainder of the season.

SPECIAL NOTE

1. Any player/coach being placed on probation for the remainder of the season and reported again for violation of the Code of Conduct will be suspended for the remainder of the season.
2. Any person on probation who violates the Code of Conduct will be placed on suspension until his case can be heard by the Rules Committee.
3. Any person wishing to appeal a decision reached by the Rules Committee should do so by calling the Recreation Department to set up an appointment to discuss the decision reached.

ENFORCEMENT

1. Suspension from league play shall result in the player(s) case being heard by the Rules Committee. The Rules Committee shall present its enforcement decision to the Athletic Supervisor, who in turn shall vote on the recommendation. All ejections carry a \$50 fine payable to the Recreation Department before the player returns to action.
2. A suspended player, either from the game or tournament, must leave immediately from the confines of the contest area as designated by the league Supervisor/Scorekeeper or Athletic Supervisor.
3. If the suspended player does not remove himself from the confines of the contest area, his/her team members or coaches are responsible for his/her removal.
4. One minute clause: One minute shall be allowed for a suspended player(s) to remove him/herself from the designated contest area. If this time limit is not met, the contest shall be forfeited to the opponents. The player will be suspended for the remainder of the current season. The player's team will be required to forfeit their next game and pay the fine associated with any forfeiture.
5. The league Supervisor/Scorekeeper and Athletic Supervisor or game officials may suspend a player from further game play.
6. The Athletic Supervisor shall be responsible for suspending player(s) from further league play.
7. All suspensions shall constitute a fine of \$50.00 (subject to review) before that player may play in another game. Subject to Athletic Supervisor.
8. Elasticity - League Supervisor/Scorekeeper or Athletic Supervisor. Any enforcement procedures which are not stated herein may be provided by the said people as is necessary, to provide for the recreational enjoyment of players, coaches, and spectators.