



## Youth Sports Coaches Code of Conduct

1. This program is solely for the young people participating, it is not for any coach, parent or anyone's ego. This program is designed to teach the basic principles of sportsmanship, camaraderie and basic athletic skills. REMINDER: THESE ARE CHILDREN, NOT MARINES... USE YOUR BEST JUDGEMENT!
2. Winning is not the foremost object of the program, but by competent coaching and positive reinforcement of goals, these young people learn how to win, how to lose and to do both well.
3. I am responsible not only for my conduct and performance, but also that of my assistants, players, and parents of players. I realize that my team may be penalized and that I may be subject to disciplinary action by the Youth Sports Program for failing to do my utmost to control inappropriate behavior by assistants, players, or parents.
6. I will not knowingly allow any player to participate on my team who is not a registered participant in the Marine Corps Community Services Youth Sports Program, or who is presently playing for any junior or senior high school team; nor will I allow a player whom I know to have altered his date of birth, or any other date which would show him eligible to compete in our program when he should not; and that I am subject to game forfeitures, suspension or termination for playing such ineligible players.
7. Every effort will be made to insure that no team feels demoralized by the running up of any score, and every effort will be made to insure to prevent same.
8. I understand the league minimum play rule. I must play all players at least a reasonable amount of plays during the game. However, for disciplinary reasons I may restrict a player's participation.
9. I understand that I am governed by the Marine Corps Community Services Youth Sports Program and Semper Fit and I will accept their final judgment in any matter in which I may be involved.
10. I will run my practices and games in a sports environment that is free of drugs, tobacco, alcohol, the use of yelling and the use of profanity.

I also agree that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines, I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to the following:

- o Verbal warning by official, head coach, and/or head of league organization
- o Written warning
- o Parental game suspension with written documentation of incident kept on file by organizations involved
- o Game forfeit through the official or coach
- o Season suspension
- o Potential ban from all youth sports aboard MCAS Yuma

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

(READ THOROUGHLY AND RETURN THIS AND ALL SIGNED PLAYER/PARENTAL FORMS TO JILL)

