

# Code of Conduct

All Coaches, Flag, Football, Cheer, Volunteers, Participants and spectators will abide by a Code of Conduct, which includes the following provisions. If any of these rules are broken, the Association/Conference shall have the authority to impose a penalty.

I will not smoke and/or use smokeless tobacco on the field.

I will not criticize any players/cheer participant in front of spectators, but reserve constructive criticism for late, in private, or in the presence of team/squad members if others might benefit.

I will accept decisions of the game officials and judges on the field and in competitions as being fair and called to the best of that official/judges ability.

I will not criticize an opposing team, its players, cheer participants, Coaches or fans by word of mouth or by gesture.

I will emphasize that good athletes strive to be good students and that both are physically fit and mentally alert.

I will strive to make every football/cheer activity serve as a training ground for life and a basis for good mental and physical health.

I will emphasize that winning is the result of good "TEAMWORK".

I will not engage in excessive sideline coaching and shall not leave the bench area to shout instructions from the sidelines.

I, together with team officials, be jointly responsible for the conduct and control of team fans and spectators. Any fan that becomes a nuisance and out of control will be asked to leave and may face a permanent ban from SDYFCC activities.

I will not use abusive or profane language at any time.

I will not "pile it on", nor encourage my team to get a commanding lead and raise the score as high as it can. (I understand that total points scored have nothing to do with team placement for play-offs in SDYFCC) In these instances, I will make every effort to let all players play.

I will not receive any payment, in cash or kind, for services in SDYFCC. This includes any coach, expert, consultant, or choreographer, regardless of his/her roster status.

I will not recommend or distribute any medication, controlled or over the counter, except as specifically prescribed by a participants physician and approved by the parent.

I will not permit an ineligible player or cheerleader to participate in a game. I will not incite unsportsman like conduct.

I will remove from a game or practice any participant when even slightly in doubt about his/her health, whether or not as a result of injury, until competent medical advice is available.

I will assist with control of fans, I know that as a participant within this conference, I am responsible for my team, and fan reaction will usually be in step with my actions and attitude.

I will uphold all rules, regulations and policies of my Association and San Diego Youth Football and Cheer Conference.

I hereby release and hold harmless from liability the Association and SDYFCC, AYF, the Officers, employees and volunteers thereof, or any other person or organization that may provide information on my background.

I understand that I have no right, claim or cause of action of any nature or any relief, including any claim seeking monetary damages from SDYFCC or the Association, its officers, volunteers or agents if my application is denied.

I understand that if appointed as a volunteer, my appointment is at will and I can be terminated prior to the expiration of my term, and that I am subject to suspension by the Association or SDYFCC for any violation of the Association/SDYFCC policies or principles.

Note: The SDYFCC and Affiliated Associations will not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, marital status, gender, sexual orientation or disability.

**I understand that my Association, SDYFCC and AYF have a ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY concerning alcohol, drug use, fighting or inciting to riot, AND THAT I CAN BE REMOVED from this Conference permanently if found guilty of violating that policy. This policy extends to my attendance of a practice or a game at any field within the SDYFCC area. I understand that this policy extends from the first practice/game of the day until the last practice/game of the day.**

I have read and understand the above Code of Conduct and will comply with all Rules and Regulations of SDYFCC and/or any National Affiliate.

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Applicant Signature

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Name: Please Print or type

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