
Policy: Participant and Spectator Code of Conduct

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In order to meet the mission of delivering high-quality services, BPRYCS has adopted a code of conduct to establish expected behaviors from program participants, coaches, spectators, volunteers, program leads and officials. The policy emphasizes good sportsmanship, proper conduct, and the expectations for full compliance with all of the department's behavioral policies. The code of conduct is utilized for all athletic programs, clinics, and camps as well as external rental groups that utilize park property.

General Code of Conduct

All program participants, coaches, spectators, volunteers, program leads and officials are expected to:

1. Display good sportsmanship and team play at all times. All participants will conduct themselves in a professional manner consistent with recreational play and the department's mission.
2. Focus on the efforts and performance of participants, rather than winning or losing.
3. Follow all directions and respectfully comply with decisions of department and program staff, coaches, and league officials and encourage others to do likewise.
4. Respect the rights, dignity, and worth of all opponents, coaches, players, umpires and league members regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
5. Refrain from negative behaviors such as ridiculing, demeaning, threatening or engaging in verbal or physical confrontations.
6. Abstain from abusing or damaging public and private property including acts of littering.
7. Respect everyone's time by making every attempt to be punctual and remaining in the agreed upon time frames of the program or rental.
8. Observe all rules established in the *Park and Facility Use Rules and Regulations*.

The BPRYCS Department reserves the right to administer progressive discipline for violations of the *Participant and Spectator Code of Conduct* consistent with the *Behavior Redirection and Restorative Justice Philosophy* at its sole discretion.