

CITY OF LONGMONT | Recreation Services

ADULT SPORTS PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT

DEFINITIONS

Coach – The player designated as team spokesman and the **ONLY** person who may discuss a decision with officials. The coach can be either a player or non-player.

Player – A person, who actively participates in the game, sits on the bench or who is on the roster.

Contest Area – That area which is designated by the Athletics Staff.

Spectator – A person who comes out to watch the games for entertainment with no physical involvement.

City of Longmont Activity – Any event designated or hosted by the City of Longmont Recreation Division.

Program Administrator – The full time employee or designated individual of the City of Longmont Recreation Services directly responsible for the activity.

Abuse – includes but not limited to obscene gestures, heckling, verbally attacking, threatening and/or laying a hand upon, shoving, hitting or striking.

CODE

- 1. **No player/person shall:** at any time abuse a Recreation employee, player or spectator. In addition, no player shall be guilty of using unnecessarily rough tactics in the play of the game against the body and person of an opposing player.
- 2. **No player/person shall:** refuse to abide by an official's decision, nor argue the officials judgment.
- 3. **No player/person shall:** appear at the contest area under the influence of alcohol or drugs, nor consume alcohol or drugs during play. A player may not smoke while on the field of play.

PENALTY

Minimum penalty: removal (ejection) from further play in the game being played <u>and</u> suspension from all games thru the following week.

Maximum penalty: penalty shall be determined by the Program Administrator and/or the Recreation Supervisor. Offenders may be suspended from further league play. Any player striking another player will be subject to a season/year suspension or possibly suspension for life depending on the severity.

If a player or team obtains repeated ejections for unsportsmanlike behavior in a season or repeated seasons then this individual or team may be subject to prolonged suspension determined by the athletics staff depending on the severity.

TWO MINUTE CLAUSE shall be in effect. Two minutes will be allowed for an ejected or suspended player(s) to remove him/herself from the designated contest area (including the dugout or bench). If this time limit is not met, the contest may be forfeited to the opponents. Any player continuing to cause a disruption will be asked and required to leave the facility immediately.

ELASTICITY CLAUSE – In order to provide for the recreational enjoyment of players, coaches, and spectators any enforcement procedures which are not stated herein may be provided by the Recreation Division as is deemed necessary.

ADDITIONAL RULES

- 1. **ZERO TOLERANCE:** Profanity, abusive language, taunting, obscene gestures, and physical violence will not be tolerated. Any player, coach, or spectator using any type of foul language or taunting of any kind to an umpire, supervisor, scorekeeper, or any other player, coach, or spectator, will be ejected from the game and, if necessary, from the league.
- 2. ALCOHOL IS NOT PERMITTED in any City facility, INCLUDING parking lots.
- 3. No smoking allowed in the dugout or on the playing field at any time. Penalty may be forfeit of the game in progress.
- 4. Glass containers are prohibited in City parks.
- 5. Players and spectators are requested to refrain from bringing their dogs to the ball fields. No dogs shall be left unattended or without a leash.
- 6. No hitting into fences or backstops. This causes damage to fences and will not be tolerated.
- 7. No infield practice allowed on the dirt portion of the infield before or between games.
- 8. The supervision of children at the facility is the responsibility of the parents/guardians. If children are interfering with the game, (i.e., running out onto the playing field, playing with bats and balls in the warm up area, etc.), parents will be asked to remove the children from the area.
- 9. Any team or individuals of a team misusing the facilities may result in that team being dropped from the league with no refund of fees.
- 10. When deemed necessary, a letter will be sent to the teams sponsor(s) informing them of player, coach, manager, or fan misconduct or poor sportsmanship.

By signing, I agree to hold myself accountable to the rules and code listed above.

PLAYER NAME

TEAM

SIGNATURE

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