

## CODE OF CONDUCT FOR FOOTBALL COACHES

The primary goal of coaches should be the development of boys and girls to be better citizens. The participants must be taught sportsmanship and fair play, and these teachings should always govern their behavior while at practice and at games. Coaches shall be responsible for the conduct of all participants, members of the coaching staff, and spectators. This includes the time periods before, during, and after league practices, games and other events. Improper conduct or violation of the Mission, Philosophy or Coaching Ethics and Conduct of Tracy Rampage Football and Cheer may result in penalties, expulsion, or suspension from the program as described below. All compliance infractions will be reviewed by the Executive Board for appropriate actions.

- 1. I agree that my character and conduct directly reflect Tracy Rampage; and understand that I am expected to promote myself and the organization in a positive manner.
- 2. I agree to attend all Tracy Rampage and DYFL required coach's meetings, clinics and training prior to the start of the season.
- 3. I agree to complete the age-appropriate USA Football Certification, USA Heads Up training, CDC Concussion training and Head Coaches/Mandatory referee's meetings prior to July 1, 2022.
- 4. It is my responsibility to read, understand, and obey all Tracy Rampage and DYFL coaches' requirements, and to make myself familiar with the rules of the game and the league rules so that I can teach them to each player. I agree to follow both the 2022 Tracy Rampage bylaws and the 2022 DYFL bylaws.
- 5. I agree to not show favoritism towards a family member and/or participant (even if it is my own child), nor will I have an alternate agenda when evaluating, playing, or instructing a participant.
- 6. I agree that I am responsible for building the confidence of each participant and it is my responsibility to teach the fundamentals of football to every participant.
- 7. I agree to teach participants the importance of developing a competitive spirit, to demonstrate fair play, and an understanding of good sportsmanship. I agree to emphasize that good athletes are good students, and both are physically and mentally alert.
- 8. I agree to fairly evaluate and play all participants through the course of practice or games, and subject to specific program rules.
- 9. I agree to learn the strengths and weaknesses of all participants on my team so they might be placed in situations where they have maximum opportunity to achieve success.
- 10. I agree to ensure each player is wearing the proper equipment and uniform on game day.
- 11. I will not physically or mentally abuse any participant.
- 12. I agree to emphasize that winning a game or competition is the result of teamwork.
- 13. I will strive to make every program activity serve as a training ground for life, and as a basis for good mental and physical health. I will protect the health and safety of each participant by insisting that all activities under my control will be conducted in the best interest of each participant's psychological and physiological well-being, rather than the interest of adults.



- 14. I agree to refrain from using drugs, tobacco, alcohol and profane language while at all Tracy Rampage and DYFL practices and events.
- 15. I agree to always be courteous and direct when dealing with league officials, referees and opposition coaches.
- 16. I agree to respect the decisions of the game officials on the field as being fair and called to the best ability of the officials.
- 17. I agree to demonstrate positive support for all players, coaches, spectators and referees, and encourage team parents and spectators to do the same.
- 18. I agree to encourage and guide players to accept responsibility for their own actions, and to never condone unacceptable behavior.
- 19. I will practice open communication with Tracy Rampage board members, coaches, team coordinators and parents.
- 20. I agree to address any issues I may have, whether within the organization (i.e., coaches, parents, board members, players), or outside of the organization (i.e., other team's coaches, parents, board members, players) by taking the appropriate steps listed in the Tracy Rampage 2022 bylaws.
- 21. I will never voice any complaints or concerns towards parents, other coaches, referees, or Tracy Rampage board members in front of children during practice, games or other sports events. Complaints or concerns can be directed to the Tracy Rampage Athletic Director before or after games, practices, or other sports events. I will make the Athletic Director aware of any issues with parents within 48 hours of the occurrence.
- 22. I agree to remember that I am a youth football coach. The game is for and about the children, not the adults.
- 23. I agree to encourage the players to have fun!!
- 24. I am aware that there is a responsibility which must be met, not only to participants, but also to Tracy Rampage Football and Cheer. The following actions by parents/coaches/participants are strictly forbidden in all related football and cheer activities and/or practices:
  - Foul or abusive language
  - Harassment or acts of aggression towards teammates, opposing team, league officials, referees or spectators.
  - Accepting any form of assistance from any person officially suspended from Tracy Rampage activities.
  - Any other conduct contrary to the rules and/or spirit of the rules of Tracy Rampage.
  - Any violation of the above may result in a warning, and/or suspension of all Tracy Rampage activities for an indefinite period of time.
- 25. I agree and understand that if I fail to abide by the mentioned rules and guidelines, I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to the following:
  - a. Game suspension with written documentation of incident kept on file
  - b. Coaching Season Suspension



I understand and accept that I am a representative of Tracy Rampage and that if I fail to comply with this code of conduct, I will not be allowed to participate with Tracy Rampage as a coach and/or representative.

Coach's Name (Print)

Coach (Signature)

Date

Tracy Rampage Representative (Print)

Tracy Rampage Representative (Signature)

Date