

GEJFA CODE OF CONDUCT

As a coach of the Greater Eastside Junior Football Association, I acknowledge the following to be guidelines of the Association Council and I, by my signature, accept and agree to abide by the following guides:

1. That this program is solely for the young people participating. It is not for any coach or parent. It is not for anyone's ego, but is designed to teach the basic principles of sportsmanship, camaraderie and football skills.
2. That 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 how to do both well.
3. That I have received a copy of the rules and regulations of the Greater Eastside Junior Football Association and that I further agree to comply fully with all rules therein and those specifically outlined herein. I, and as many of my staff as possible, shall attend the GEJFA All Coaches Clinics.
4. That, although I coach for one system, I recognize my loyalty and conformity to the association and its rules.
5. That 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 Junior Football Council for failing to do my utmost to control inappropriate behavior by assistants, players, or parents.
6. That I will not knowingly allow any player to participate on my team who is not from within the GEJFA approved boundaries for my System, 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. That no team shall beat an opponent by more than 32 points and that 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. That I understand the league substitution rule. Upon the change of possession I must empty my bench and replace all players on the field, if possible, and that each of those players must remain on the field for four consecutive plays, unless the ball changes hands. After four consecutive plays I may substitute freely, but when the ball changes hands I must again empty my bench and replace all players on the field, if possible. I must play all players at least twelve plays during the game. I will not take any action that will cause any eligible player to become ineligible for, or miss any game. However, for disciplinary reasons I may restrict a player's participation.
9. I understand that I am governed by the Association Council and their agents and that my final form of appeal in any matter is the GEJFA Grievance Committee and I will accept their final judgment in any matter in which I may be involved.
10. That I will run my practices and games in a sports environment that is free of drugs, tobacco, alcohol and the use of profanity.
11. That at least one of my coaching staff shall hold current First Aid certification.
12. That violation of the rules can result in forfeiture of the game and my suspension or termination.