

## **WARREN COUNTY MIDGET FOOTBALL LEAGUE ADULT CODE OF CONDUCT**

As the parent or legal guardian of a child participating in the Warren County Midget Football League, I agree to abide by the following policies:

- 1) I will maintain a positive, cooperative, and respectful attitude, both in words and in actions, toward all individuals involved in youth sports events, and I will require all youths and adults with me at WCMFL events to do so as well.
- 2) I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and volunteers at every game, practice, or other youth sports event. Unsportsmanlike conduct includes, but is not limited to: fighting, booing, taunting, refusing to shake hands, or using profane language or gestures;
- 3) I understand that the purpose of the Warren County Midget Football League is to provide an enjoyable learning environment and the emotional and physical health of my child and all other participants will be the most important issue.
- 4) I acknowledge that the use of alcohol and illegal drugs will not be tolerated at Warren County Midget Football League games, scrimmages and practices. I will refrain from their use before and during such events and I will abide by the smoke-free policies of the locations where such events take place. I will require all youths and adults with me at such events to do so as well.
- 5) I will encourage my child/children to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility of violence.
- 6) I will encourage my child/children to treat other players, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect, regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
- 7) I will never ridicule or yell at my/our child/children, or any participants at a sporting event, for making mistakes or losing a competition.
- 8) I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never confront, challenge, or argue with coaches or officials at the game field, and will take the time to speak with coaches at an agreed time and place.
- 9) I will remain in the spectator's area during competition.
- 10) I will refrain from coaching my child/children or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.
- 11) Participation in the WCMFL for the 2009 season requires that all organizations agree to abide by the WCMFL By-Laws and decisions of the WCMFL Board, the Referees and Officials, and enforce such decisions within the organization. Participation in the WCMFL is voluntary, and upon application for a franchise in the WCMFL for 2009, all organizations agree to relinquish legal recourse and hold harmless the WCMFL Board Members, Member Organizations, Referees and Officials for interpretation and enforcement of the WCMFL By-Laws, as well as the decisions of the Board, Member Organizations, Referees, and Officials. Further, Member Organizations and those affiliated with Member Organizations agree that they will not in any way hold the WCMFL Board, Referees, Officials, or Coaches liable for any injuries or losses suffered while competing in or traveling to or from any WCMFL sanctioned event or function. Member organizations agree that initiation or threat of legal action against the WCMFL, the WCMFL Board, Member Organizations, Referees or Officials by or on behalf of a member organization, team, coach, parent or player, will result in immediate suspension of that organization from the WCMFL. The suspended organization will be prohibited from participating in any WCMFL sanctioned activities including games, practices, scrimmages, meetings and the All Star Game. Suspended organizations will be deemed to have forfeited any games missed due to this suspension and will be responsible for the entire amount of the referee's fees for forfeited games.

I also agree that if I/we fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines, my child/children and I/we will be subject to disciplinary action by the Executive Board and that could include, but is not limited to, the following:

- Verbal warning by official, head coach, and/or representative of the league;
- Parental and/or player game suspension with written documentation of incident kept on file by the Recreation Committee and the WCMFL;
- Game forfeit through the Official or Coach;
- Parental and/or player season suspension with NO REFUND or registration fees.

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Parent's Signature

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