



PLAYER AND PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Players, coaches, officials, parents, and spectators are to conduct themselves in a manner that Honors the Game and demonstrates respect to other players, coaches, officials, parents, and fans.

In becoming a member of the lacrosse community an individual assumes certain obligations and responsibilities to the game of lacrosse and its participants. The essential elements in this Code of Conduct are **HONESTY** and **INTEGRITY**. Those who conduct themselves in a manner that reflects these elements will bring credit to the sport of lacrosse, themselves, their team and their organization. It is only through such conduct that our sport can continue to earn and maintain a positive image and make its full contribution to amateur sports in the United States and around the world.

Tualatin Valley Youth Lacrosse (TVLAX) supports the following behaviors for those who participate in the sport or are involved in any way with TVLAX. The following essential elements of the Code of Conduct must be followed:

- Sportsmanship and teaching the concepts of fair play are essential to the game and must be taught at all levels and developed both at home and on the field during practices and games.
- The value of good sportsmanship, the concepts of fair play, and the skills of the game should always be placed above winning.
- The safety and welfare of the players and participants are of primary importance.
- Players, coaches, officials, parents, and spectators are expected to demonstrate the utmost respect for officials and reinforce that respect to players/teammates, regardless of race, creed, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation or ability.
- Players and coaches agree to not use abusive or profane language, nor physical threats at any time aimed at any player, coach, parent, official, spectator or any other participant.
- Players and coaches agree to respect officials, activity rules, and referee decisions without argument or gesture, and to save all questions and concerns regarding the activity or participants for a time when the atmosphere is conducive to problem-solving.

PLAYER ADDITIONAL CONDUCT RELATED TO ORGANIZED EVENTS (Practices, Games, Clinics or any associated event):

- Players agree to participate in all of the scheduled practices, games, activities, and the like unless they have communicated with the coach(s) ahead of time with an appropriate excuse. TVLAX understands that players who are absent from school may not be able to practice or compete on that particular day.
- Players should always demonstrate positive behavior and respect toward teammates, opponents, coaches, officials, parents, and spectators.

- Players should be specifically encouraged and positively reinforced by coaches to demonstrate respect for teammates, opponents, officials, and spectators.
- Players agree to encourage teammates and fellow players positively and to refrain from being critical of mistakes.
- Players agree to win without boasting, and lose without excuse.
- Eligibility requirements, at all levels of the game, must be followed. Rules and requirements such as age, previous level of participation, team transfers, etc., have been established to encourage and maximize participation, fair play, and to promote safety.

PARENT/SPECTATOR ADDITIONAL CONDUCT RELATED TO ORGANIZED EVENTS (Practices, Games, Clinics or any associated event):

- Parents agree to support and encourage their child/ward as they participate in TVLAX activities and understand that their as a parent is critical to the success of these activities.
- Parents agree to support team play and will not be overly concerned with the outcome of the activity.
- Parents and spectators involved with the game must never permit anyone to openly or maliciously criticize, badger, harass, or threaten an official, coach, player, or opponent.
- Parents agree to let the coach/leader do the teaching/coaching, to respect leader/coach decisions regarding player participants and participation, and to save all questions and concerns regarding the activity or participants for a time when the atmosphere is conducive to problem-solving.

AGREEMENT FOR ALL/DISCIPLINARY ACTION:

I hereby agree that if I fail to conform my conduct to the foregoing while participating in or attending a youth lacrosse event, or performing any duties or attending any event, associated with TVLAX and any league or organization, I will be subject to disciplinary action, including but not limited to the following in any order or combination:

- Verbal warning issued by TVLAX and/or any league, organization, or official who is authorized to issue such a warning by a youth sports organization.
- Written warning issued by TVLAX and/or any league, organization, or official who is authorized to issue such a warning by a youth sports organization.
- Suspension or immediate ejection from a youth sports event issued by TVLAX and/or any league, organization, or official who is authorized to issue such a suspension by a youth sports organization.
- Suspension from multiple youth sports events issued by TVLAX or any league, organization, or official who is authorized to issue such suspension by a youth sports organization.
- Season suspension or multiple season suspension issued by TVLAX or any league, organization, or official who is authorized to issue such suspension.

All enforcement decisions made by TVLAX and/or officials regarding violations of the Code of Conduct of disciplinary are final and not subject to review. No refunds will be granted to those players dismissed from TVLAX for violating the Code of Conduct.

NO COACH, PLAYER, PARENT, OR OFFICIAL WILL BE PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE IN TVLAX WITHOUT AGREEING TO THIS CODE OF CONDUCT IN ITS ENTIRETY