

# Florence Family YMCA Youth Sports Code of Conduct



The Florence Family YMCA plays an important role in promoting respect, caring, responsibility, and honesty. Therefore it is essential for parents, coaches, spectators, and officials to encourage youth athletes to embrace the values of good sportsmanship. Furthermore, parents, coaches, spectators, and officials involved in youth sport events should be models of good sportsmanship and lead by example by demonstrating fairness, respect, and self control.

The Y asks for your cooperation by following this code of conduct and be responsible for your words and actions while attending, coaching, officiating, or participating in all youth sport events whether they are at the Y or another facility/event working in cooperation with the Y.

1. I will treat any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee with respect.
2. I will encourage my child, to treat any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee with respect.
3. I will not engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety, or well being of any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
4. I will encourage my child or any other person, to not engage in any behavior which will endanger the health, safety, or well being of any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
5. I will not use drugs, alcohol, tobacco products, or e-cigarettes while at youth sport events and will not attend coach, officiate, or participate in youth sport events while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
6. I will not permit my child or encourage any other person, to use drugs, alcohol, tobacco products, or e-cigarettes while at youth sport events.
7. I will not engage in use of profanity or any other offensive language.
8. I will encourage my child, or any other person to not engage in use of profanity or any other offensive language.
9. I will not initiate a fight or scuffle, or retaliate, with any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
10. I will encourage my child or any other person, to not initiate a fight or scuffle, or retaliate, with any coach parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
11. I will not engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
12. I will encourage my child or any other person, to not engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
13. I will not argue with any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
14. I will encourage my child to not argue with any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.

Consequences for a first time offense of any one of the rules 1-12 will result in expulsion from the league for the rest of the season. Violators will be unable to attend any games or practices. Exception Rule 7: If a **player** uses profanity he/she will be suspended one game. A second offense will result in expulsion from the league.

Consequences for a first time offense of any one of the rules 13-14 will result in a one game suspension from the league. Violator may still attend practice. A second offense will result in expulsion from the league for the rest of the season. Violators will be unable to attend any games or practices.

The Y reserves the right to review any situation and make any changes if needed.