



CODE OF CONDUCT
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1. **NO WTAA MEMBER, PLAYER, COACH OR SPECTATOR SHALL:** At any time lay a hand upon, shove, strike, or threaten an official, player or spectator. Officials are required to suspend said person immediately from further play and report such people to the League Director. Such person shall remain suspended until his/her case has been considered by the League Director.
 - a. **MINIMUM PENALTY:** Suspension for the remainder of the season, placed on probation for the remainder of the year.
 - b. **MAXIMUM PENALTY:** Suspension from all recreation activities for one year and probation for the following year plus at the beginning of the following year, the case is subject to review by the WTAA.

2. **NO PLAYER, COACH OR SPECTATOR SHALL:** Refuse to abide by the official's decision. Officials are required to suspend said person immediately from further play and report such person to the League Director. Such person shall remain suspended until his/her case has been considered by the League Director.
 - a. **MINIMUM PENALTY:** Suspension for one week from all WTAA league participation, placed on probation for the remainder of the season.
 - b. **MAXIMUM PENALTY:** Suspension for the remainder of the season, placed on probation for the remainder of the year.

3. **NO PLAYER, COACH OR SPECTATOR SHALL:** Be guilty of obscene gestures of objectionable demonstrations of dissent at the official's decision. Penalty: The degree of infraction of this tenet of good sportsmanship shall, in the official's judgment, draw:
 - a. **MINIMUM PENALTY:** Warning by the official.
 - b. **MAXIMUM PENALTY:** Removal from the game and suspension for up to one week from all WTAA league participation.

4. **NO PLAYER, COACH OR SPECTATOR SHALL:** Discuss with an official in any manner the decision reached by such official except the manager or captain. Penalty: The degree of infraction of this tenet of good sportsmanship shall, in the official's judgment, draw:
 - a. **MINIMUM PENALTY:** Warning by the official.
 - b. **MAXIMUM PENALTY:** Removal from the game.

5. **NO PLAYER SHALL:** Be guilty of using unnecessarily rough tactics in the play of the game against the body and person of an opposing player. Officials are required to suspend players immediately from further play and report such players to the League Director. Such player shall remain suspended until his/her case has been considered by the League Director.
 - a. **MINIMUM PENALTY:** Placed on probation for the remainder of the season.
 - b. **MAXIMUM PENALTY:** Suspension for up to two weeks from all WTAA league participation and placed on probation for the remainder of the season.

6. **NO PLAYER, COACH OR SPECTATOR SHALL:** Be guilty of physical attack as an aggressor upon any player, official or spectator. Officials are required to suspend such person immediately from further play and report such people to the League Director. Such person shall remain suspended until his/her case has been considered by the League Director.
 - a. **MINIMUM PENALTY:** Suspension for up to two weeks from all WTAA league participation and placed on probation for remainder of the year.
 - b. **MAXIMUM PENALTY:** Suspension from all recreation activities for one year and placed on probation for the following year, plus at the beginning of the following year, his/her case is subject to review by the WTAA.

7. **NO PLAYER, COACH OR SPECTATOR SHALL:** Be guilty of an abusive verbal or written attack on social media to include bullying, upon any player, official or spectator. The WTAA Board and/or officials are required to suspend any person immediately from further play and report such person to the League Director. Such person shall remain suspended until his/her case has been considered by the League Director.
 - a. **MINIMUM PENALTY:** Suspension for one week from all WTAA league participation and placed on probation for the remainder of the season.
 - b. **MAXIMUM PENALTY:** Suspension for the remainder of the season and placed on probation for the remainder of the year.

8. **NO PLAYER, COACH OR SPECTATOR SHALL:** Sit in the stands before or after their games and harass or heckle other teams or game officials.
 - a. **MINIMUM PENALTY:** Warning from the field supervisor.
 - b. **MAXIMUM PENALTY:** Removal from the grounds and suspension for up to one week from all WTAA events.

9. **SMOKING, CHEWING TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL POLICY** – There shall be no smoking, no chewing tobacco use, no drug use, and no alcohol use by coaches, players, or spectators during their teams' practices, games, or at any other WTAA family-oriented event.

10. **NO WTAA PLAYER SHALL:** Be suspended from school either in school or out of school, for any reason.
- a. **FIRST OFFENSE:** Suspension from 1 game immediately following the school suspension and is no longer a possible candidate for all-star games.
 - b. **SECOND OFFENSE:** Suspension from 2 games immediately following the school suspension and is no longer a possible candidate for all-star games.
 - c. Any subsequent offenses will result in player being suspended from any remaining games to include post season games ie. playoffs, Superbowl, and all-star game.
 - d. **NOTE:** Parents **MUST** notify the WTAA president via email at PresidentWTAA@gmail.com. Failure to report a player suspension or if the WTAA discovers during an investigation that a player has been suspended, then that player will be subject to an automatic 2 game suspension.

ENFORCEMENT

1. Any individual being placed on probation for the remainder of the season and reported again for violating the Code of Conduct may be suspended for the remainder of the season.
2. The suspended individual must remove himself/herself immediately from the confines of the contest areas as designated by the WTAA.
3. If a suspended individual does not remove himself/herself from the confines of the contest area, the WTAA shall call the authorities.
4. One-minute clause: One minute shall be allowed for suspended individual to remove himself or herself from the designated area. If this time limit expires, the contest shall be forfeited to the opponents.
5. Any individual on probation who violates the Code of Conduct will be placed on suspension until their case can be heard by the WTAA Board.
6. Any individual wishing to appeal the decision reached by the WTAA should do so by emailing the WTAA at PresidentWTAA@gmail.com to set up an appointment to discuss the decision reached.