

Coaches Code of Conduct

All Pop Warner coaches, both football and spirit, will abide by a Code of Conduct which includes the following provisions. If any of these rules are broken, the League shall have the authority to impose a penalty including permanent removal from the program. Coaches shall:

S1: Not smoke and/or use smokeless tobacco on the field.

S2: Not criticize players/spirit participants in front of spectators, but reserve constructive criticism for later, in private, or in the presence of team members if others might benefit.

S3: Accept decisions of the game officials and judges on the field and in competitions as being fair and called to the best ability of said officials.

S4: Not criticize an opposing team, its players, spirit participants, coaches, or fans by word of mouth or by gesture.

S5: Emphasize that good athletes strive to be good students and that both are physically and mentally alert.

S6: Strive to make every football and spirit activity serve as a training ground for life, and a basis for good mental and physical health.

S7: Emphasize that winning is the result of good teamwork.

S8: Not engage in excessive sideline coaching and shall not leave the bench area to shout instructions from the sidelines.

S9: Together with team officials, be jointly responsible for the conduct and control of team fans and spectators at all times. Any fan who becomes a nuisance and out of control will be asked to leave.

S10: Not use abusive or profane language at any time.

S11: Not "pile it on;" not encourage their team to get a commanding lead and raise the score as high as it can. In these instances, every effort shall be made to let all players play.

S12: Not receive any payment, in cash or kind, for services as a volunteer or participant in Pop Warner Football/Spirit. This includes any coach, expert, consultant or choreographer, regardless of his/ her roster status.

S13: Not permit or encourage "sweating down" tactics in order for a player to make the team weight.

S14: Not recommend or distribute any medication, controlled or over the counter, except as specifically prescribed by participant's physician.

S15: Not permit an ineligible player or spirit participant to participate in a game.

S16: Not deliberately incite unsportsmanlike conduct.

S17: Not possess or drink alcoholic beverages and/or use illegal substance(s) on either the game or practice fields.

S18: Remove from a game or practice any participant when even slightly in doubt about his/her health, whether or not as a result of injury, until competent medical advice is available.

S19: Uphold all rules and regulations, National, Regional & Local, regarding Pop Warner Football, Cheerleading and Dance.

S20: Refrain from engaging in any action within or outside Pop Warner which in PWLS sole & absolute discretion reflects negatively upon, or causes embarrassment to, the PW program.

... National Pop Warner Official Rule Book

I have read the Pop Warner Coaches Code of Conduct and agree to uphold it. I also understand that if I do not uphold the above Coaches Code of Conduct my local association and/or Maui Pop Warner Football Conference can impose a penalty against me and/or my coaching staff.

Print Name

Signature

Association Name

Date