

**EUFAULA PARKS & RECREATION BOARD
POLICY & PROCEDURES**

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(1) Participation Opportunities / Requirements

- A. All participants are ensured participation under a non-discrimination policy regardless of race, creed, sex, economic status, or ability.
- B. Any participant is allowed to register regardless of their financial ability to pay. Parents are required to sign a form for this assistance and participants will be assigned menial tasks in lieu of payment equal in monetary value.
- C. The participation in variety of youth activities in addition to the child's particular sport is encouraged.
- D. Selection of qualified women and minorities is encouraged in recruitment of coaches.
- E. Coaches are required to sign a Code of Ethics Pledge pledging their commitment to providing an enjoyable, healthful youth sports experience and attending NYSCA Coaching Certification Clinics unless lifetime members.
- F. Parents are encouraged to attend a league orientation meeting.

(2) Safety Guidelines / Regulations

- A. Coaches are prohibited from knowingly requiring or allowing a player to participate while having a serious injury. – Players receiving medical attention by a physician or emergency room, must have a sign release from the attending doctor before child will be allowed to resume playing on his/her team.
- B. Any injury requiring medical attention must be reported to recreation staff. In cases of possible serious injury, emergency medical personnel should be contacted. Victim should not be moved.
- C. League coaches are restricted from using tactics to punish or ridicule opponents through unwarranted physical contact or excessive score domination.
- D. Rapid weight loss procedures solely for participation in youth sports are prohibited. Weight and skill will be considered in grouping children for contact sports.

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(3) Drug/Alcohol Policy

- A. The use of alcohol, illegal substances, or tobacco by coaches, league administrators, or game officials is prohibited at all youth sporting events.
- B. Substance use by coaches and players will result in immediate suspension of guilty party for first offense and repeated offenses could lead to expulsion from any activity or facility under the direction of the Parks & Recreation Board.

(4) Conduct Code

- A. **Any participant, coach, or spectator that is ejected** from any activity will be **suspended** for a **minimum of one scheduled game**. Severity of ejection may warrant additional games suspension determined by recreation department. Furthermore, such person **will not be allowed to attend these games as a participant or spectator. A second offense will result in expulsion for the remainder of that season.**
- B. Any spectator that is guilty of unacceptable behavior; eg. berating (players, coaches, or officials) , using vulgar language or using intoxicates will be required to leave premises. Subsequent penalties will be imposed as seemed necessary by the Parks & Recreation Board.
- C. Striking an official, player, employee, volunteer, or spectator will result in immediate removal of guilty party. The guilty party will be denied access to any recreation function until a review process is completed by a Board approved committee. Guilty party will be allowed the right to appeal Board decision.
- D. The Parks & Recreation Board reserves the right to make any decisions it deems to be in the best interest of its programs.

(5) Practice Policy

- A. Practices are limited to no more than 2 hours a day and 2 days a week through the age of 12. Sound discretion should be used in the scheduling of practices.
- B. Excused absences are allowable through parental requests for church, school, and other family activities. Prior approval is required and coaches are prohibited from disciplining participants after approved absences.