

# Seven Rivers Sports

## *Code of Conduct*

Seven Rivers Sports believes that playing together brings us together. We believe that by playing sports we will grow our love for one another and build a stronger community. This code of conduct is in place so that Seven Rivers Sports is a community event that makes our community stronger. Failure to adhere to this code of conduct will result in disciplinary action for you or your team up to the severity of expulsion from the league.

Seven Rivers Sports believes that everyone is made in God's image. We believe that people matter. We believe that all people should be loved, valued and respected. We expect all our participants to love, value and respect each other.

## **The Code of Conduct**

I will love my teammates, opponents, referees and fans.

- *Playing the game to build them up instead of tearing them down.*
- *Congratulating them on good plays and encouraging them on bad plays.*
- *Helping them up off the ground if they fall.*
- *Letting a "bad" call go and understanding that mistakes happen.*
- *Allow your opponents the space to celebrate a good play.*
- *Reframe from celebrating in the face of your opponent – celebrate with your teammates.*
- *Don't take yourself too seriously. Laugh at your mistakes. Express humility.*

I will value my teammates, opponents, referees and fans.

- *They are parents, siblings, employees and members of our community. Understand that they matter and are more than just a player on the field.*
- *Understand that referees are humans and are doing their best.*
- *Understand that referees want everyone to have the most fun.*
- *The opposing team is not out to hurt you or to make you (specifically) feel bad. Understand that they are going to celebrate when they succeed. Don't mistake their excitement or joy in their success on the field as a jester of celebrating your failure.*
- *Don't make the game about you but about them.*
- *Take a knee if they are injured.*
- *Do not cuss at them.*
- *Do not physically harm them.*

I will respect my teammates, opponents, referees and fans.

- *When a referee makes a call it is the final call. Listen to the call and adhere to the rules.*
- *Adhere to the rules of the game – do not intentionally try to break them or cheat.*
- *They are doing the best they can. They are not intentionally trying to make mistakes or to make you feel bad. Everyone wants to have fun.*
- *If there is a conflict bring it up to the referee. If the conflict continues ask the referee to find Mikey Puckett and consult him for a resolution. Do not handle conflict with yelling, punching or any means of threats or intimidation.*

I will love, value and respect my teammates, opponents, referees and fans no matter the outcome of the game.

I will in good spirit shake the hands of my opponents and referees no matter the outcome of the game.

I will refrain from using inappropriate language (cussing, sexual jokes, racist jokes, sexist jokes, slurs, etc...) before, during or after the game.

I will refrain from drugs, alcohol, illegal substances before, during or after the game. No drugs, alcohol or illegal substances are permitted at Seven Rivers Sport's events.

I will compete, play hard and have fun. I will try to win the game, but not at the expense of breaking the rules or hurting others around me.

I will make the game about my teammates and opponents rather than about myself and my glory.

I will make the game about building community and friendships.

I understand the Seven Rivers Sport's code of conduct. I understand that failure to adhere to this code subjects myself and my team to disciplinary actions which may result in my expulsion from the league or my team's expulsion without a refund.

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Captain: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_