

## **BYLAW 9 - CODE OF CONDUCT**

- 9-1-1 CYO is dedicated to fair play and Christian behaviors. All CYO athletes, coaches, parents, spectators, administrators, officials and the greater community are required to contribute to the Christian culture of CYO.
- 9-1-2 Athletes are expected to compete within the spirit and letter of the rules. Athletes are to demonstrate good behavior toward opponents, officials and teammates. They are to uphold the dignity of site personnel and to be a positive influence on relationships with their team, with opponents, and with officials.
- 9-1-3 Coaches, Officials and Administrators are to conduct themselves in a Christian manner. They are to administer the program within the spirit and letter of the rules and demonstrate good behavior toward athletes, opponents, officials and administrators at all CYO venues. They will uphold the dignity of every CYO athlete.
- 9-1-4 Parents and fans are to act as Christian role models. They must follow decisions made by site directors and officials, remain in the spectator area and may not enter the playing or coaching areas. Any parent/fan who enters into the playing contest space is subject to disciplinary action. They may not make abusive or demeaning comments or act in an abusive manner toward officials, athletes, coaches, site personnel or fans.
- 9-1-5 CYO is dedicated to the safety of every child, parent and adult. We will not tolerate any form of aggressive or abusive behavior in the CYO community. Examples include: yelling at officials or site personnel; physical intimidation or threatening behavior; verbal or physical harassment; and any disruptive behaviors. If any of these behaviors occur, consequences will be assessed that include the following:
- A. Athletes, coaches, parents and fans who have been ejected, asked to leave, or removed by Officials or CYO personnel must depart immediately. If they refuse to leave the premises immediately, one week is added to their suspension. Their suspension begins the next day, with no option to appeal. There may be additional consequences and disciplinary actions for those individuals as stated below and in Bylaw 10.
- B. Anyone besides the coach or athlete on the team that enters the court or field of play is immediately suspended for one week and may be suspended for a longer time as determined by CYO Administration.
- C. Athletes who are ejected, asked to leave, or removed from an athletic event are automatically prohibited from attending any practices or CYO games for seven days including sanctioned events. They may not be on the premises of the next CYO scheduled game of any grade and may not attend or participate in any sanctioned event games during the seven day period. They must meet with the Member Administrator and obtain a signed letter from the Member Administrator requesting permission from CYO Administration to attend future competitions. They must complete the Code of Conduct online session and worksheet to be reinstated.
- D. Coaches who are ejected, asked to leave, or removed from an athletic event are automatically prohibited from attending any practices or CYO games for fourteen days including sanctioned events. They may not attend or be on the premises of the next two CYO scheduled games of any grade and may not attend any sanctioned event games during the fourteen day period. They must meet with the Member Administrator and obtain a signed letter from the Member Administrator requesting permission from CYO Administration to attend future competitions. They must complete the Code of Conduct online session and worksheet to be reinstated.
- E. Parents or fans who are ejected, asked to leave, or removed from an athletic event are automatically prohibited from attending any practices or CYO games for twenty-one days including sanctioned events. They may not attend or be on the premises of the next three CYO scheduled games of any grade and may not attend any sanctioned event games during the twenty-one day period. They must meet with the Member Administrator and obtain a signed letter from the Member Administrator requesting permission from CYO Administration to attend future competitions. They must complete the Code of Conduct online session and worksheet to be reinstated.

Student's Signature:	Date:	
Parent/Guardian's Signature:	Date:	