



## CODE OF ETHICS/CONDUCT FOR COACHES

I hereby pledge to live up to the following code set forth by the NAYS and the Village of Hamburg Parks and Recreation Department:

1. I will place the emotional and physical well being of my players ahead of any personal desire to win.
2. I will treat each player as an individual, understanding the large range of social, emotional and physical development of children within the same age group.
3. I will provide a safe and healthy environment for all of my players.
4. I promise to review and practice basic first aid principles needed to treat hurt or injured players.
5. I will do my best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all of my players.
6. I will model and encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for players, coaches and officials at every game, practice or team event.
7. I will demand that my players and parents/ spectators demonstrate good sportsmanship and represent our team and league in upstanding fashion.
8. I will provide a sports environment for my team that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and I will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
9. I will be knowledgeable in the rules of play for each sport that I coach (including any special or local rules). I will teach these rules to my players. I will follow these rules at all times and demand that anyone involved with my team does so as well.
10. I will use coaching techniques appropriate for all of the skills that I teach and are appropriate for the age group of the players.
11. I will remember that I am a youth sports coach, and that the game is for children and not adults.
12. I will accept responsibility for and demand that players, parents/ spectators and other coaches from my team respect and follow the rules of the facilities granted to the league.
13. I will treat umpires, referees, opposing coaches, opposing players, league officials, and all fans with respect. I will refrain from openly and publicly criticizing the aforementioned individuals at all times.
14. I understand that I am responsible to hold my players and parents/ spectators to the same standard of respect for others detailed in #13.
15. I will use appropriate language and display appropriate behavior at all times.
16. I understand that the Village of Hamburg Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to conduct thorough criminal background checks of all youth sports coaches under its auspices. I will comply with and submit any/all information needed to complete said background checks.
17. I agree to accept full responsibility in the event that I, my players or my parents and spectators are in violation or breach of this code, and that this code applies to them as well.
18. I agree to read, understand and comply with all guidelines set forth by the Village of Hamburg, HJBSL, Erie County and NYS related to the covid-19 pandemic. I also agree to ensure that my team's players and parents/ spectators comply with all guidelines set forth by the Village of Hamburg, HJBSL, Erie County and NYS related to the covid-19 pandemic.

### IMAGE RELEASE

I consent and hereby grant the Village of Hamburg Recreation Department, its Officers, Agents, Employees and Assigns the right to take photographs of me in connection with my role as a volunteer coach. I understand that this photograph and/or digital reproduction may be utilized for all publication processes, whether electronic, print, digital or electronic publishing via the internet. I understand that I will not receive payment from any party.



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By signing this form, I agree to abide by the Village of Hamburg Youth Sports Code of Conduct above and accept the Image Release. In addition, by supplying my information below, I am allowing a thorough criminal background check by local law enforcement be conducted to confirm my eligibility as a coach of youth sports.

Print your FULL name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Driver's License #

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Signature

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