

WALKER PARKS AND RECREATION 2025 CODE OF CONDUCT

COACHES

Coaches shall be supportive of the Organization's commitment to the ideals of good sportsmanship, team play, honesty, loyalty, courage and respect for authority. The head umpire/referee shall have control of games from the time the teams enter the area of play until they exit the Walker Park or Gymnasium used by the City. Likewise, coaches shall remain sensitive to the physical and emotional wellbeing of the players on his / her team. In order to adhere to these doctrines the coaches agree to the following:

Coaches shall be positive role models through their actions and behaviors.

Coaches will display and instill in their players the principals of good sportsmanship and team play.

Coaches will conduct themselves in a manner that best serves the interests of the players.

Coaches will do their best to provide the players a positive experience.

Coaches will ensure that winning and / or losing, teams do so in a manner, which exhibits respect and good sportsmanship.

Coaches will treat all players, parents, spectators and league officials with respect.

Coaches will provide instruction in a manner that is constructive and supportive.

Coaches will not ridicule or demean players, coaches, or umpires.

Coaches will not tolerate behavior that endangers the health or well being of a child.

Coaches will comply with the decisions of league officials and observe all rules, policy and procedure as established or endorsed by the WPAR.

Coaches will teach the game of baseball / softball / basketball to the best of their ability.

Coaches will be drug and alcohol free while at any WPAR athletic event.

Coaches will not use any tobacco products in the dugout or on the playing field.

PARENTS AND SPECTATORS

Parents and Spectator shall support the players, coaches, umpires and league officials.

Parents and Spectators shall not "coach" or "officiate".

Parents and Spectators agree to the following:

Parents and Spectators will be positive role models.

Parents and Spectators will display and instill in all players, the principals of good sportsmanship and team play.

Parents and Spectators will conduct themselves in a manner that best serves the interest of the players.

Parents and Spectators will do their best to provide the players a positive experience.

Parents will make certain that their children show respect for all other players, coaches, officials and spectators.

Parents and Spectators will not ridicule or demean players, coaches or umpires.

Parents and Spectators will treat all players, coaches and umpires fairly and with respect. Parents will inform the coach of any disability or ailment that may affect the safety of their child. Parents and Spectators will comply with the decision of league officials and observe all rules, policy and procedure as established or endorsed by the WPAR.

Parents and Spectators will not question an umpire / referee's call.

Parents and Spectators will respect the opponent and avoid any confrontation with opposing players, spectators, or coaches.

Parents and Spectators will be drug and alcohol free while at any WPAR athletic event.

Players SHALL:

Display good sportsmanship and team play at all times.

Follow the Direction of the Coaching Staff.

Respect all coaches, players, league officials, umpires, referees and spectators.

Make every attempt to be on time and ready to play for all games and practices.

Players SHALL NOT:

Use abusive or profane language.

Taunt or humiliate any other player.

Question an official's call.

Abuse, mistreat or mishandle any WPAR equipment or property.

Specifics for Sporting Events:

As required under Section 13.5.6 of the City of Walker Code of Ordinances:

1. During Walker sponsored events or event on Walker property, the head umpire/referee shall have control of all games from the times the teams enter the area of play until they exit the Walker Park or Gym used by the city.
2. Fans, Coaches, and players shall all be subject to the authority of the head umpire/referee. The Park Director or his designate shall have ultimate authority over all disciplinary actions up to and including ejection from the park, gymnasium or facility.
3. Fans, Coaches, or players that are ejected from any from any City of Walker sponsored event shall immediately be removed from the park, gym, or facility.
4. Suspension Policy:
 - a. Fans that are ejected shall be suspended for the next scheduled event.
 - b. Coaches/Players that are ejected shall be suspended for the scheduled event in which their team competes.
 - c. A second ejection in the same event season will result in suspension for remainder of season.
 - d. Any longer suspensions shall be at the discretion of the Mayor and shall be based on the circumstances of each incident.
5. Any incident involving fans, coaches, or players that result in disruption of a City of Walker sponsored event has the following consequences:
 - a. Head umpire/referee shall immediately stop the event until the individuals involved are removed from park, gym, or facility and at the request of Park Director or his Designate shall be subject to arrest by City of Walker Police Department.