

# AHYAA Code of Conduct

The A.H.Y.A.A. has adopted a Code of Conduct for ALL players, parents, spectators, coaches, and managers. The A.H.Y.A.A. expects all to abide by these guidelines and the rules outlined in the annual rule book to ensure proper sportsmanship at all levels of our association.

The purpose of the Code of Conduct is to promote teamwork, good sportsmanship, and discipline so that participants may enjoy the learning process of playing team sports. As leaders, it is our responsibility to show our participants the proper way to win and lose with dignity and self-control.

The Arlington Attack Board selects head coaches with the approval of the A.H.Y.A.A. Board of Directors. Selection is conditioned upon the head coach adhering to all A.H.Y.A.A. rules and policies. Head coaches are responsible for the conduct of their team's parents, players, spectators, and all coaches. The Arlington Attack or A.H.Y.A.A. Board of Directors may suspend or revoke a coach's selection for violating the rules and policies.

A.H.Y.A.A. rules and policies apply to ALL parents, players, spectators, coaches and managers as outlined in the annual A.H.Y.A.A. rule book. Examples of prohibited conduct are listed below, but are not limited to just these examples:

1. Profanity,
2. Violence,
3. Any display of bad sportsmanship,
4. Threatening any player, coach, manager, or referee,
5. Arguing with the referee. Judgment calls are not subject to any discussion or comment.  
These include all penalty calls, goals, out-of-bounds determinations, and time expiration.
6. Allowing or encouraging uniform violations,
7. Throwing of equipment of any kind,
8. Any confrontational behavior.

Any infraction or alleged infraction of the Code of Conduct should be reported immediately to the Arlington Attack Club President. Infractions will be dealt with upon review of all parties involved, and any of the following will impose penalties: the League Commissioner, Arlington Attack Club President, or the A.H.Y.A.A. Board if needed.

Penalties for such offenses range from a verbal warning to a single-game or multiple-game suspension. In extreme cases, the person/s involved may be suspended or expelled immediately and indefinitely. Repeated violations by any coach may require the coach to be removed from the team and/or taken off the list for future team coach consideration.

Head coaches are responsible for the team they have been selected to coach. As such, they have the most control over all the situations listed above. This Code of Conduct should be handed out to all parents and players at the start of the year. Reminding all parties during the season will ensure that they comply with the rules set forth in the A.H.Y.A.A. rule book and this Code of Conduct.