

GSL FOOTBALL COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

In a continued effort to be progressive and show leadership in youth sports, the GSL asks that the coaches initial and sign this Coaches Code of Conduct document in accordance with our rules and values.

Coaches,

___ I will lead by example by demonstrating leadership, sportsmanship and treating each player, opposing coach, referee, and league official with respect.

___ I will ensure that I am knowledgeable about rules of football and that I will teach these rules to my players.

___ I will ensure that I am accredited by the governing bodies as the GSL directs for coaching certification and Criminal Record Checks

___ I will remember to treat each player as an individual, remembering the diverse spread of emotional and physical development for the age group.

___ I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my players ahead of any personal desire to win.

___ I will do my best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all my players.

___ I will remember that I am a youth coach and that the game is for the children and not for adults.

___ I will exhibit proper behaviour at practices and games and the use of foul or abusive language is strictly prohibited.

___ I will never deliberately instruct any player to harm an opposing player or support in any fashion, deliberate actions causing bodily harm to an opposing player.

___ *I will support a drug, alcohol and tobacco-free sports environment at all GSL events.*

___ I will abide by the GSL rules regarding playing time and participation:

Coaches are expected to conduct their practices in such a way as to ensure that the players receive the proper training to be able to play on both sides of the ball.

Every player dressed for a game, must play in the game.
The reason for this rule is to ensure that all players participate.
It is expected that each player on a team roster will be given the opportunity to play and will be allowed to dress for all games.

Benching for disciplinary reasons, must be reported to the league division co-ordinator and parents of the player involved, by the coaching staff.

Any injuries must be reported to the Division co-ordinator.

I will communicate to parents and players the rules by which the team and individuals will be evaluated, disciplined, and rewarded in order to prevent any misunderstandings.

I the undersigned agree to abide by the following code of conduct and rules for all coaches of the GSL

Signature of Coach

Received by: _____