



SOUTH ORLANDO YOUTH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

Code of Conduct

- Each Player or Cheerleader shall address Coaches and Officials with the utmost respect. Examples: Yes Sir, No Sir, Yes Ma'am, and No Ma'am.
- If any Member of South Orlando Pop Warner is ejected from a game/event, that member will not participate in the remainder of that game/event. The incident will also be reviewed to determine if further discipline is necessary.
- No Player or Cheerleader shall criticize other players or teammates.
- Each Player or Cheerleader that misses greater than 50% of the practices the week of a game will be not allowed to participate that weekend.
- There shall be no profanity, obscene gestures, verbal threats, and physically threatening action on or off the field.
- At any game, practice, event, or competition, any adult who: 1) verbally abuses; 2) attempts to intimidate; 3) is flagrantly rude or 4) cannot control their language or actions with an official, coach or volunteer will be asked to leave the event. He or she will receive a written warning regarding the behavior after the event. His or her child will be immediately removed from the event. The warning will be given in writing prior to the next event.
- Any adult that commits a second similar offense will be banned from South Orlando Pop Warner events for the remainder of that season and their child removed for the remainder of that season.
- Any adult who physically assaults an official, coach or volunteer will be banned from South Orlando Pop Warner and their child removed from the program for one year from the date of the offense. After one year, the parent may apply for re-instatement of his or her child. If the adult commits a second offense, he or she will be permanently removed from South Orlando Pop Warner. (The term physical assault includes, but is not limited to: hitting, slapping, pushing, spitting, kicking, or striking in any way with any part of the body or any physical implement.)
- Parents will be responsible for ensuring your child is at practice on time and picked up on time.
- There shall be no use of tobacco on or off the field.
- There shall be no use of alcoholic beverages or illegal substances on or off the field.
- No Parent/Coach/Participant Dispute will be discussed during the games or practices. Contact the coach by phone after the event allowing all parties a "Cooling Off" period of at least 24 hours. Never discuss the dispute in front of the players/cheerleaders. If the conflict can't be resolved then both parties can utilize the forum established by the South Orlando Pop Warner Executive Board. This forum will allow all disputes to be heard with a ruling made by the Board of Directors as to any disciplinary action.
- During All Games & Practices: Adults and children not directly involved as either a certified coach or requested volunteer (Chain gang, Mandatory Play Rule Keeper, Game Medic, etc) will not be permitted on the field, on the bench area with the team or on the track. You must remain on the other side of the fence preferably in the stands.

Any violations of the above mentioned rules will result in a suspension and/or discipline as determined by the South Orlando Pop Warner Board of Directors. Each Board Member is expected to uphold the Code of Conduct and shall obey the rules and regulations of South Orlando Pop Warner. Everyone's behavior is a reflection of our association.