

## LLYLL Conduct Expectations

	<b>Great</b>	<b>Not great</b>	<b>Unacceptable</b>
Players	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Positive comments to teammates, coaches, officials</li> <li>• Friendly, sincere comments and actions toward opponents</li> <li>• Ignore spectator sideline</li> <li>• Learning from officials' calls</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Negative comments toward anyone</li> <li>• Dissenting gestures toward officials</li> <li>• Overly exuberant or organized celebrations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Questioning officials with words or actions</li> <li>• Taunting or intimidating opponents</li> <li>• Yelling at teammates, opponents, spectator sideline, or officials</li> </ul>
Coaches	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Positive encouragement of all players</li> <li>• Know the age-specific league rules and teach them before and during contests</li> <li>• Professional communication with officials before, during, and after game</li> <li>• Communicate clear expectations to parents, sideline personnel, and players</li> <li>• Address spectator sideline politely but firmly, if needed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Constant coaching</li> <li>• Snide remarks or unpleasant tone toward official or players</li> <li>• Shouting across to spectator sideline</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assistant coach addressing officials at any time for any reason other than "thank you" or "nice job"</li> <li>• Head coach yelling at or belittling official</li> <li>• Yelling at players angrily</li> <li>• Coaching or talking to opposing players</li> <li>• Arguing with opposing sideline</li> </ul>
Table personnel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communicate professionally with all coaches and officials</li> <li>• Provide same service, such as penalty time countdown, for both teams equally</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Only communicating with home team</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cheering on or coaching either team</li> <li>• Questioning officials with words or actions</li> </ul>
Parents/spectators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Positive cheering only</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coaching your son or his teammates from spectator sideline</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Questioning officials with words or actions</li> <li>• Taunting or heckling officials</li> <li>• Interacting with opposing spectators</li> <li>• Sitting/standing within 6 yards of sideline</li> <li>• Sitting or standing behind endlines or player sideline</li> </ul>
Officials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Professionalism, including arriving 20-minutes early and performing all pregame protocols</li> <li>• Know and enforce age-appropriate league rules</li> <li>• Calmly enforce behavior expectations for all involved</li> <li>• Strong whistle, clear signals, explain to kids when possible (briefly)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rushing pregame protocols and communication</li> <li>• Letting others' behavior get you heated</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adjusting game rules to suit coach request or your preference.</li> <li>• Unprofessional behavior, including conversing with spectator sideline during game or yelling at anyone involved.</li> <li>• Allowing a level of contact different than that suggested in LLYLL/USL rules</li> </ul>

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### Enforcement Guidelines

Officials	Head Coaches	Programs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discuss these expectations and age-group-specific rules in pregame meeting with both head coaches.</li> <li>• Reinforce these expectations with pregame lineup and captains.</li> <li>• Flag a team for first instance of any “unacceptable” behavior. If it continues, stop the game until the offending party is gone.</li> <li>• Flag repetitive or egregious “not great” behaviors, with rulebook support.</li> <li>• Report (same day) unacceptable behaviors to CPLOA-LL Youth Committee.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communicate these expectations to players and parents often, particularly through a parent meeting after practice prior to first game.</li> <li>• Reinforce these expectations at pregame conversation with spectator sideline.</li> <li>• Hold yourself to the highest standard: what do you want your own son to remember?</li> <li>• Address assistant coaches, sideline personnel, players, and parents/spectators when possible.</li> <li>• Set an example by addressing officials rarely and respectfully.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide a non-coach game manager, when possible, to help coach provide positive environment for all involved.</li> <li>• Provide these guidelines and <b>your program’s own code of conduct</b> to your parents, coaches, players, sideline personnel, etc. as part of your preseason preparation for the season.</li> <li>• Hold coaches, parents, and players accountable when they fall short of their responsibilities listed here.</li> <li>• Provide useful feedback to the league so that this tool may be tuned, as needed.</li> </ul>

### LLYLL Pregame Protocols

- 5:45 Officials arrive at field, inspect field and nets
- 5:50 Meet with both head coaches RE: age-specific rules
- 5:55 Head coaches address parent sideline about expectations while officials conduct coin toss
- 5:58 Lineups at midfield
- 6:00 Faceoff

\* If officials are running late, none of these items may be skipped or rushed. Just move quickly from one to the next.

### Coaches’ and Officials’ Mandatory Meetings

The LLYLL and CPLOA-LL will hold joint youth rules interpretation meetings in February and/or March. All head coaches MUST attend. All youth officials MUST attend, or else must find a time to be certified by a member of the CPLOA-LL youth committee.