**Purpose:** The purpose of this procedure is to detail the League/Association responsibilities and actions when dealing with individuals found using, or in the possession of, or under the influence of illegal substance and or alcohol, and to establish guidelines to ensure that we provide a safe and substance free environment for our Head Coaches, Staff members, Spectators, and Participants.

**Responsibility:** The League President and the Board of Directors are responsible for enforcing this procedure.

**Definition:**  An Illegal Substance is defined as being in the possession or under the influence of any controlled drug or substance as defined or identified by the Washington State penal code or the Washington Department of Health and welfare, and or any alcoholic beverage. This definition does not apply to drugs or controlled substances, which are prescribed by a licensed physician, and being used in the manner in which they are prescribed, by the person they are prescribed to.

**Procedure:**

The State of Washington as well as GNWC Pop Warner’s Code of Conduct clearly states that alcoholic beverages, marijuana, and the possession of, or use of any illegal substance at any Pop Warner event are **PROHIBITED**. If any one is found to be under the influence of, or possessing any illegal substance, or alcoholic beverage, the following actions will take place:

 1. The Association Board member will have the individual(s) removed from the event immediately and contact the local law enforcement authorities if necessary.

1. The Association Board member will report the individual(s) to the Association President and the League President immediately, but in no case later than twenty-four hours after the event
2. The individual(s) using or under the influence of illegal substances will be suspended from any and all Pop Warner events for a minimum of one year.