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FOOTBALL

Operational Manual

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CLYFL FOOTBALL PROGRAM MANUAL

Football is a very popular sport for children. CLYFL Football provides children ages K-8th grade (up to 14 years old as of September 30 of the season year), whether first time players or seasoned veterans. Our program is structured to progress at each level so that the athletes are prepared for high school football.

Article I Participation

Section 1 Residency of Participants

- A. Participation is open to children that reside in Leesburg, VA and the surrounding areas. Special consideration for participation by children outside of these areas shall be made on a case-by-case basis.

Section 2 Age of Participants

- A. Football participation is open to athletes in Kindergarten through 8th grade, up to 14 years of age; excluding those who will enter the ninth-grade during the participating season. Participation per division is as follows:

Division	Age Cutoff
A8	8th grade, up to 14 years old as of September 30 th of the current season
A7	7th grade, up to 13 years old as of September 30 th of the current season
B	5th-6th grade, up to 12 years old as of September 30 th of the current season
C	3rd-4th grade, up to 10 years old as of September 30 th of the current season
D	K-2nd grade, ages 8 as of September 30 th of the current season

- B. All participants must be officially registered through the Board-approved registration process.

Section 3 Registration Process

- A. For the purpose of team selection, the league will provide each participant with an official online registration form to be completed and submitted prior to participating in team practices or games.
- B. Registration fees will be established by the Board prior to the start of registration each year.
- C. Participants may not engage in any other organized football program besides that which may be required within a school's physical education program during the season. Participating leagues will compare registration prior to the draft and ensure that football players are only registered with one league.
- D. All athletes are required to submit an athletic physical each tackle season, dated from the year of play, certifying that they are cleared to play. Any injury sustained during the

season that requires evaluation or treatment by a medical provider will require a medical clearance before the athlete may return to play, especially a concussion.

- E. All athletes are required to submit proof of grade and proof of age (new players only) before each Tackle season.

Section 4 Play Time and Participation

- A. Football is a team sport and in order for the team to function properly it is vital for all players to be present at each event. ‘
- B. Every player present and equipped to play must participate in at least the minimums mentioned below based upon age division:
 - a. A8 League Minimum play count is 12 per game, 6 plays per half mandatory.*
 - b. A7 and B League minimum play count is 16 per game, 8 plays per half mandatory.*
 - c. C League minimum play count is 16 per game, 8 plays per half mandatory. (Excluding dead ball kicking plays)*

**Large team number adjustment to Player Participation Rule – Excludes A8 league:
For teams over 22 rostered players, player participation count lowers by 2 plays per player (1 play per half) per game. League notification is required. Minimum play count is 14 total for each game – 7 plays per half mandatory.*

- d. If a player misses more than 1 practice the week leading up to a scheduled game, it will be up to the coaching staff to determine if it is safe for them to play. Notification to the Director of Football is required before game day.

Article II Divisions and Placements

Section 1 Divisions

- D-Division:** K-2nd Grade
- C-Division:** 3rd-4th Grade
- B-Division:** 5th-6th Grade
- A7-Division:** 7th Grade
- A8-Division:** 8th Grade

Section 2 Placement

- A. CLYFL Football does not have try-outs or cuts. All players will be placed on a team via a draft system until all teams have reached their maximum number of players.
- B. Head coaches are allowed to designate assistant coaches prior to the draft, two for D, C and B and three for A7/A8. This will result in three and four draft freezes respectively. All head coach and assistant coach designations must be approved by the board.
- C. Being on a team with those closer to their own age, will allow the players to learn more at an appropriate pace and gives them the opportunity to bond with players their own age.

While we do understand the desire/need for sibling/family requests (siblings/cousins playing together) due to the age restrictions of the leagues that may not be possible.

Section 3 Play Up Rule

A. Each season, there may be instances where a younger player can move up to the next age/grade group. Coach and player interactions may reinforce this desire. Given the opportunity for advanced competition in the next age/grade group, as well as the potential for leadership in the player's peer age group (i.e., team leader, captain, role model), requests for playing up will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

a. Factors considered are:

- i.** Demonstrates physical and cognitive development and an understanding of the game that would benefit from playing up.
- ii.** Demonstrates the technical ability to execute fundamentals and skills at a faster speed of play

b. Factors **not sufficient** for a play up request are:

- i.** Carpooling
- ii.** Friendships with older players
- iii.** Coach preference
- iv.** Playing up in other sports
- v.** Sibling(s) playing up (past and/or present)
- vi.** Parent/guardians' league sponsorship

B. The CLYFL Board, at its sole discretion, and with parent or guardian approval, may consider moving a player to an older age/grade group. If approved, the permission will only apply to one playing season of Tackle Football or Ultimate Flag Football. A new request must be submitted for subsequent seasons.

C. Each request will be determined individually as to what will be best for the player, team and League.

D. The approved Play Up procedure must be followed which includes submitting an online request prior to registration, registering in the correct grade level initially, previous coach/Board Member sponsorship and a Board of Directors vote.

Article III Coaches

Section 1 Head Coach Selection Process

Persons wishing to be considered for head coaching positions shall submit an application through the website.

A. The Coaches Selection Board must review and approve all persons selected for head coaching positions.

- B.** Each head coach appointed by the Coaches Selection Board* shall retain the position for one year or until dismissed by action of the Director of Football/Board of Directors. Coaches will be evaluated at the end of the year and/or the beginning of the next season if he or she wishes to return. He or she shall be subject to removal at any time for actions deemed detrimental to the objectives and goals of the league.

Section 2 Assistant Coach Selection Process

Persons wishing to be considered for assistant coaching positions shall submit an application through the website.

- A.** The Coaches Selection Board* must review and approve all persons selected for head coaching positions.
- B.** Each appointed head coach has the choice to select an assistant coach (subject to approval of the Coaches Selection Board*) who will be responsible for carrying out the duties of the head coach in his/her absence. The assistant coach will be subject to the same qualifications and requirements as the head coach.
- C.** The Board reserves the right to assign assistant coaches based upon what is best for the League.

Section 3 Student Coach Selection Process

Persons wishing to be considered for Student Coaching positions shall notify the Football Director either through online application on the website.

- A.** The Coaches Selection Board* must review and approve all persons selected for Student Coaching positions.
- B.** Must be a student in 9th through 12th grade in good standing.

Section 4 Coach Requirements

- A.** All coaches must obtain a USA Football Tackle certification for tackle and meet any other certification requirements as specified by the Board through the Director of Safety.
- B.** Head and assistant coaches (not student coaches) are also subject to a yearly background check and must be willing to provide personal information for processing this check.
- C.** Only approved league coaches who have completed both a background check and required certifications are permitted to cover practices or games. Team parents and individuals without these clearances may not serve as substitutes.
- D.** Head coaches must be 21 years of age or older, assistant coaches must be 18 years or older and Student Coaches must be in 9th-12th grade.

Section 5 Responsibilities of a Head Coach

The head coach will be responsible for the following:

- A.** Issue and collect, through appropriate team representatives, required documents, fees and equipment.
- B.** Submit team rosters, injury reports, game participation reports, and other paperwork required by the Board or as stated by the League Policies.
- C.** Be knowledgeable of and uphold the league rules and to be able to advise athletes and parents as to their interpretation.
- D.** Schedule and to supervise all practices within Board guidelines.
- E.** Provide each athlete with the opportunity to participate and become an integral part of the team.
- F.** Teach each athlete the skills and fundamentals associated with the game of football.
- G.** Maintain discipline of all athletes and team representatives and report all actions or problems concerning players or teams affecting eligibility or participation to the Board.
- H.** Be responsible for the assignment of team parent volunteers to support the various league volunteer functions.
- I.** Perform other duties incident to the position as required by the Board.
- J.** Ensure the safety and wellbeing of athletes at all times during league events.
- K.** Adhere to the Coaches Code of Conduct.
- L.** Provide up-to-date practice schedules and information and respond to parent and guardian questions or concerns in a timely manner.

Article IV Uniforms/Equipment

Section 1 League-Provided Items

- A.** The CLYFL Football program provides league-issued equipment. For Tackle, this includes a game day jersey, shoulder pads, helmet, chin strap and game day pants.
- B.** Athletes and parents must sign a waiver recognizing responsibility, care and return of the equipment ***BEFORE*** it is supplied.

- C. Should the helmets and/or shoulder pads be returned in poor condition beyond normal wear and tear or not returned at all, families will be charged an equipment fee.
- D. League-issued uniforms are not permitted to be altered in any permanent way.
- E. Other items may be provided by Central Loudoun Youth Football League.
- F. Equipment may not be issued if there is an outstanding balance/invoice due on a family's account.

Section 2 Other Equipment

- A. Coaches may request that parents purchase items such as matching socks.
- B. If an athlete is unable to afford additional items, coaches may discreetly ask for donations or coaches may purchase. The athlete in question and donor must remain anonymous to the team and parents.
- C. There are additional equipment requirements which are to be purchased by families..
 - Mouth guard
 - Cleats
 - Practice jersey
 - Padded practice pants
 - Socks
- D. The following items are optional for parents to purchase:
 - Cold weather items such as undershirts
 - Football gloves
 - Clear visors
 - Padded undershirts
 - Compression sleeves
 - Athletic cup
- E. The coaches will determine which items are needed and the colors for each team.
- F. Should an athlete lose a part of their uniform, they will be required to purchase another.
- G. There will be no VISIBLE display of athletes names on anything used for playing.
- H. Hard casts (including those with plastic or metal components) are permitted only if all of the following conditions are met:
 - a. A doctor's release form is submitted to the Director of Safety.
 - b. The cast is properly wrapped by an approved league trainer. "Properly wrapped" means the cast must be fully covered and securely wrapped with an elastic or cohesive bandage. All hard surfaces must be fully padded and the wrap must remain in place throughout play to minimize risk to other participants.

- c. Final approval is granted by the referees prior to kickoff.
 - d. A Board member will be present to oversee this process.
- I. No coach/team may make changes or substitutions to the league-issued uniforms without prior approval from the Director of Football and Director of Equipment.

Article V Practice

Section 1 Practices

- A. Practice may not be held prior to the date specified by the Board. The first five (5) practices are dedicated solely for conditioning, where only helmets (not shoulder pads) may be worn for three (3) practices and helmets plus shoulder pads are worn for two (2) practices; no contact is allowed during these practices.
- B. The practice week shall be Monday through Saturday. No practice may be longer than two (2) hours. Practices will be limited to 2 hours prior to the first day of school and 90 minutes during the school year. Practices are permitted per the following schedule:

Division	Week #	Allowed Practices
A	1-2	5
	3	4
	4-End	3
B	1-2	5
	3	4
	4-End	3
C	1-2	5
	3	4
	4-End	3
D	1-3	3
	4-End	2

** A midweek league-scheduled game shall not count against the team meetings/practices during weeks with a 3-practice limit.*

**Team parties or film sessions are allowed and will not count against the weekly practice limit, provided no physical team drills/practices are organized during these sessions.*

Section 2 Practice Safety

- A. The adopted League Emergency Action Plan must be followed at all times.
- B. For player safety, all coaches will conclude practice prior to darkness unless practice is held on a properly lighted field. **PLAYERS MUST BE PROVIDED TRANSPORTATION FROM PRACTICE OR THE COACHES MUST WAIT UNTIL**

ALL PLAYERS HAVE BEEN PICKED UP. Practice will end immediately when thunder is heard, and/or lightning is visible from the practice area.

- C.** In the event of practice called due to inclement weather, practice will not be made up if it has exceeded 45 minutes in duration. It will then be considered a full practice.
- D.** Contact in practice sessions or games is prohibited unless two (2) coaches are present at the same location. Any violation of this regulation may result in disciplinary action or dismissal of the coaches involved.
- E.** Preseason scrimmages against any team outside the league require prior approval of the member's board and a Board member must be present. Each league must have adequate insurance coverage. Scrimmages within and among LYFA are allowed.
- F.** If fields are closed due to weather, no team shall conduct practice at an alternate location (e.g., indoor practice, practice on blacktop, etc.). Team parties or film sessions are allowed and will not count against the weekly practice limit
- G.** Practices may only take place at the location decided/approved by the Board.
- H.** For safety and injury prevention, jewelry such as wristwatches, bracelets, neck chains, earrings or any other item that may be deemed dangerous by the referee/coach may not be worn during practice or games.
- I.** Any change in location MUST be submitted to the Board prior or practice location being moved.
- J.** Athletes are not permitted to eat dinner or snacks during practice.
- K.** Families may attend practices with approval from the coach, however, should it become a distraction, coaches may ask for the family to leave.
- L.** Coaches are not responsible for any other children other than their athletes, therefore other children (such as siblings) should not be left with the coaches for any period of time.
- M.** Parents are asked to notify the coach PRIOR to practice if their athlete will be late or unable to attend. If an athlete misses more than 50% of practice on a particular day, it will be considered a missed practice.
- N.** Parents must pick up their athlete on time from practices, games and other league events. Failure to do so could result in the loss of being able to drop your child off. Local authorities may be contacted if you are more than 60 minutes late. Parents must notify the coach if they will be late via call or text.

Section 3 Practice Requirements

- A.** Athletes should wear the appropriate attire as designated by the coach such as cleats, helmet, pads and a water bottle.
- B.** We ask that athletes commit 100% to this sport and limit any other activities that would interfere with scheduled practices and games.
- C.** A league certified coach **MUST** be present in order for athletes to practice.
- D.** A player must present a signed physical form from an accredited physician and participate in a minimum of three (3) conditioning practices (not more than one (1) per day) prior to any contact.
- E.** Practice with full equipment and player contact is prohibited prior to the date established by the Board.

Article VI GAMES

Section 1 Game Etiquette

- A.** No foul language, rudeness or disrespect will be tolerated. All cheers, chants and banners should be of a positive and sportsmanlike manner. The opposing team will be treated with respect.
- B.** Friends and/or family are not allowed at any time on the field or in the lineup with the team. If this problem arises the person will be asked to leave or the athlete will be asked to sit out.
- C.** No pets are allowed at the games with the exception of service animals.
- D.** Possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages, intoxicating substances or illegal drugs at any park, playground or athletic facility is prohibited. The result may be reprimand, probation, or suspension from Loudoun County PRCS facilities.
- E.** Any violation of the League Bylaws, Operations Manual or Code of Conduct by a coach, athlete or spectator will result in an investigation by the Board for appropriate action, which may result in a reprimand, probation, or permanent suspension from league activities.
- F.** Parents must pick up their athletes on time from practices, games and other league events if they are unable to stay. Failure to do so could result in the loss of being able to drop the child off for the activity. Local authorities may be contacted if parents are more than 60 minutes late. Parents must notify the coach if they will be late via call or text.

Section 2 Food

- A.** Snacks given at halftime or at the end of the game are optional and will be decided by the coach. Should the coach decide to do snacks, they or a team parent may create a sign up sheet for the parents.
- B.** Only water and sports drinks will be permitted while playing.
- C.** Teams do have the ability to be designated as allergen free based upon team needs.

Section 3 Regular Season and Post Season Games

- A.** All rules identified under the regular season games apply to playoff and championship games.
- B.** At the conclusion of regular season play, the win/loss record of each individual team will determine the final standings. Head-to-head wins will be used as the first tiebreaker between teams. A second tiebreaker will be based on the team with the lower “Total Points Against.” In the event of a third tiebreaker, a coin toss will determine higher seed.
- C.** The minimum player participation rule described in this document will also apply in the play-off and championship games. The Board must approve any exceptions.
- D.** Playoff formats will be published in the appendix to the LYFA Operations Manual
- E.** If a game is interrupted (suspended) due to inclement weather, the game will proceed at a later date with the same score as when the game was stopped. The Board will attempt to reschedule all make up games as soon as is practical. If play is suspended during the second half, the game will be considered complete and the score will stand. Play-off games may be handled differently and at the discretion of the Board.
- F.** Athletes will be required to attend every Regular Season Game regardless of weather until the game is called by the officials or a Board Member.
- G.** Athletes will not be permitted to leave sidelines during games unless given permission from the team coaches.
- H.** Run-through signs are permitted at the beginning, end, or half time of games.. This must be scheduled with the head football coach and cheer coach or their designated person.
- I.** Any violation of the league bylaws, operations manual or code of conduct by a coach, athlete or spectator will result in an investigation by the Board for appropriate action, which may result in a reprimand, probation, or permanent suspension from league activities.

- J.** A league certified coach **MUST** be present in order for athletes to play.

- K.** For all games, the league is required to ensure the presence or availability of qualified medical personnel. An EMT will be on site during all games to respond to injuries and medical needs. If an EMT is not physically present, the league must be prepared to have another licensed healthcare provider, such as a medical doctor or registered nurse or athletic trainer to assist. The league should be ready to activate the EMS system as needed.

- L.** A Board member or designated representative will be present at each game to maintain order and coordinate with facility staff and medical personnel.

- M.** A Board member or designate will be present at each game to maintain order and contact with facility attendants.

- N.** The home team must assign three (3) capable persons (preferably adults) to function as the chain crew. These persons should be ready to work at least ten (10) minutes before game time. The chain crew will operate from the home team's sideline.

- O.** On fields so equipped, the scoreboard clock will be used, provided an adult timekeeper operates the clock. The official's clock on the playing field will keep the official game time.

- P.** Each team is permitted to have nine (9) individuals on the sideline during a scheduled league game. Where no more than (7) may be coaches, managers, statisticians, or persons filming and up to two (2) individuals to provide water for players. The Coaching Box is a 6 ft x 150 ft area, behind the restricted sideline area, between the 25-yard lines goal to goal. All coaches must remain in the Coaching Box between plays. At the snap of the ball only two (2) coaches may be in this area. All players, team managers, statisticians, film/camera operators, and water carriers must always be in the Team Area behind the Coaching Box. Authorized personnel are allowed to leave the team sideline area during the game, if given league board approval. Failure to obey this rule may result in a sideline warning and penalty from the officials. (See Addendum 6 of LYFA Operations Manual for football field diagram with specified areas)

- Q.** If a game is interrupted (suspended) due to inclement weather, the game will proceed later with the same score, field position, time and down as when the game was stopped. The Member Board will reschedule all make up games as soon as is practical. If the game is suspended before half time, a coach from each team must initial a sheet indicating score and location of the ball. If play is suspended during the second half, the game will be considered complete, and the score will stand. Playoff games may be managed differently and at 15 the discretion of the LYFA Commission.

- R.** Cheerleaders will be allowed inside the spectator retaining fences, but must remain between the twenty (20), and thirty-five (35) yard lines.

- S. Possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages, intoxicating substances or illegal drugs at any park, playground or athletic facility is prohibited. The result may be reprimand, probation, or suspension from Loudoun County PRCS and Loudoun County Public Schools facilities.
- T. Any violation of the league bylaws, ops manual, code of conduct, County Code of Conduct by a coach, player or spectator will result in an investigation by the LYFA Commission for appropriate action (i.e., Probation or permanent suspension from league activities).
- U. No protests are allowed in game situations except protests involving player eligibility. Appeals must be filed in writing with the LYFA board within twenty-four (24) hours after completion of the game in question. The full Board will make all decisions concerning appeals.
- V. Of the following penalties:
 - a. Spearing
 - b. Late hit
 - c. Unnecessary roughness
 - d. Unsportsmanlike conduct (15 Yard Only)
- W. Not only will the standard game penalties be enforced, but the following additional actions will be taken over the course of the season:
 - a. 1st time: Player is removed for the following play. Warning issued from coach to player.
 - b. 2nd time: Player is suspended for the remainder of the game.
 - c. 3rd time (during season): Matter will be referred to the Board for disciplinary action. Such action may include suspension for the remainder of the season.
- X. The head coach will be responsible for logging the foul and player number and providing that information to the league at the end of every game. Each type of penalty is unique in terms of counting towards the additional penalties.
- Y. Overtime - During regular season games, if a game should end in a tie after regulation, then for C division, one overtime period would be implemented (each team would have one offensive possession). For B and A division, two overtime periods would be implemented if necessary. If the score is tied after 16 the overtime, then the game ends as a tie.
 - a. For playoff games, there is no restriction on the number of overtime periods.
 - b. As per VHSL rules, each offense will have possession of the ball as it is placed on the defense's 10-yard line for each overtime period.

Section 4 Post Season Games

- A. All rules identified under the Regular Season Games apply to Playoff/ Championship games.

- B.** At the conclusion of regular season play, the Win/Loss record of each individual team will determine the final standings. Head-to-head Wins will be used as the first tiebreaker between teams. Second tiebreaker will be based on the team with the lower “Total Points Against.” In the event of a third tiebreaker, a coin toss will determine higher seed.
- C.** The minimum player participation rule described in this document will also apply in the play-off and championship games. The Board must approve any exceptions.
- D.** Playoff formats will be published in the appendix to the LYFA Operations Manual

Article IX Awards and Recognition

Section 1 Awards and Recognition

- A.** Appropriate Awards to signify participation on the teams of the League will be determined by the Board and/or Director of Football on an annual basis. These awards may be presented to all teams and squad members, including coaches and cheerleaders.
- B.** Coaches are allowed to do individual athlete awards such as Game MVP, rotating captains, Board approved stickers to award player participation. Please know that these are not required nor is every athlete required to receive the award/recognition.

Article X Volunteer Hours

Section 1 Compensation

- A.** CLYFL does not compensate any volunteers, including coaches, board members and team parents, yet they, and many others devote a substantial amount of their time and energy to support the youth sports program. Without volunteers, there would not be a program for the children.
- B.** CLYFL is able and willing to sign off on hours for students who give time to the program.

Section 2 Time Required

- A.** Parents are required to volunteer a minimum of four hours which is designated by the Board of Directors each season at a league sponsored event during the season which include but are not limited to chains, officially designated team parent, championship games, regular season games, equipment hand out, inventory or events.
- B.** In the situation where a specific team should be covering a volunteer event and does not have enough volunteers, the coach and/or assistant coach may be required to staff the event in which case the athletes would be unable to play/cheer during that time.

Section 3 Opt Out and Fees

- A. Parents have the option to opt out during registration and pay a fee of \$150.
- B. If families do not choose to opt out of volunteer hours but do not complete the required hours, they will be subject to a fee determined by the CLYFL Board of Directors.

Article XI Incidents

Section 1 Medical Incidents

- A. In the case of a life threatening emergency please contact 911 then and parents/guardians of the athlete, THEN the Director of Safety and Director of Football.
- B. In case of a non-life threatening emergency (such as a broken bone) please contact parents of the athlete, THEN the Director of Safety and Director of Football.
- C. After you take the steps above, please fill out an incident report provided by the Director of Safety.

Section 2 Disciplinary and Family Incidents

- A. Please contact the Director of Football via phone and follow up the incident in writing no later than two (2) hours after the incident.

Article XII Code of Conduct

Section 1 Board Members, Coaches, Volunteers and Participants

- A. Board members, coaches, volunteers and participants shall not:
 - a. At any time lay a hand upon, push, shove, or be guilty of physical contact as an aggressor upon any official, participant, coach, or spectator.
 - b. Verbally abuse any official, participant, coach or spectator.
 - c. Bait or be guilty of objectionable demonstration or dissent at any official's decision.
 - d. Refuse to abide by an official's decision.
 - e. Disobey or attempt to circumvent rules and regulations or the intent thereof.
 - f. Use tobacco, alcohol or illegal narcotics in front of participants during practices or games or be present during practices or games under the influence of alcohol. Any time a Board member, coach, or volunteer is representing the League this rule applies.
 - g. Improper conduct by a board member, coach, volunteer, participant or others should be reported to the Board for appropriate action.

Section 2 Suspensions

- A. Any athlete ejected during the first half of a game must sit out the entire game but is eligible to return to play the following game. Any athlete ejected during the second half of a game must sit out the first half of the next game. Any athlete

ejected due to physical abuse (fighting) which will result in immediate suspension from the team until reviewed by the Board. This rule is not subject to protest or review. (Removal from a game shall be interpreted to include the playing field and the spectator area). A second offense of all the above, by the same person, will be handled by the Board. While on suspension, the Athlete may not attend any practice or games that his/her team participates in. Suspended persons must take the initiative to contact the Director of Football to apply for reinstatement.

- B.** Any head coach, assistant coach or manager who is ejected (removed) from a game is automatically suspended from the next game his team plays, except for physical abuse (like fighting) which will result in immediate suspension from the team until reviewed by the Board. This rule is not subject to protest or review. (Removal from a game shall be interpreted to include the playing field and the spectator area). A second offense of all the above, by the same person, will be handled by the Board. While on suspension, the Coach or Manager may not attend any practice or games that his/her team participates in. Suspended persons must take the initiative to contact the Board to apply for reinstatement. However, each team **MUST** maintain at least one (1) certified coach on the sideline; in the event that both coaches who are certified are suspended then one will be allowed to remain and the Board will address implementation of future suspension.

Section 3 Spectators/Others

- A.** When the Parent Code of Conduct is signed, families are agreeing any all spectators coming to support their athlete will follow the code.

- B.** Spectators shall not:

- a.** At any time lay a hand upon, push, shove, or be guilty of physical contact as an aggressor upon any official, cheerleader, coach or spectator.
 - b.** Verbally abuse any official, cheerleader, coach or spectator.
 - c.** Verbally bait any official, cheerleader, coach or spectator.
 - d.** Be under the influence of illegal narcotic substances or alcohol during practices or games.

****Spectators or others who do not abide by the above guidelines will be asked to leave from the event and they or their family may be barred from attending any other league sponsored event.****

Section 4 Code of Conduct Enforcement

- A.** The Board will be responsible for establishing the league policy, which enforces the code of conduct. At a minimum this policy will define the following:
 - a.** The process by which league members can report violations of the league bylaws, playing rules, and code of conduct.
 - b.** The process the Board will undertake to investigate reported violations.
 - c.** The mechanism for communicating the outcome of the investigation to the league members.

