

Spike Frog Volleyball

Coaches Code of Conduct

Initial Below

_____ **I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my players ahead of a personal desire to win.**

Expected Behavior:

- Using appropriate language in appropriate tones when interacting with players, league officials, game officials, parents and spectators.
- Treat all players, league officials, game officials, parents and spectators with dignity and respect.
- Play all players according to the equal participation rules established by the league and the spirit of those rules. Practice attendance is not required for equal participation

_____ **I will do my best to provide a safe playing situation for my players.**

Expected Behavior:

- Maintain a high level of awareness of potentially unsafe conditions.
- Protect players from sexual molestation, assault, physical or emotional abuse.
- Correct or avoid unsafe practice or playing conditions.
- Use appropriate safety equipment necessary to protect all players.
- See that the players are provided with adequate adult supervision while under the care of the coach.

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

Expected Behavior:

- Establish practice plans that are interesting, varied, productive and aimed at improving all players' skills and individual abilities.
- Devote appropriate time to the individual improvement of each player.
- Conduct practices of reasonable length and intensity appropriate for the age and condition of the players.

_____ **I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my players.**

Expected Behavior:

- Adopt the position, teach and demonstrate that it is our basic moral code to treat others as we would like to be treated.
- Abide by and support the rules of the game as well as the spirit of the rules.
- Provide an environment conducive to fair and equitable competition.
- Use the influential position of youth coach as an opportunity to promote, teach and expect sportsmanship and fair play.

_____ **I will be knowledgeable in the rules of volleyball and I will teach these rules to my players.**

Expected Behavior:

- Become knowledgeable, understanding and supportive of all applicable game rules, league rules, regulation and policies.
- Teach and require compliance of these rules among players.

_____ **I will use those coaching techniques appropriate for each of the skills that I teach.**

Expected Behavior:

- Teach techniques that reduce the risk of injury to both the coach's own players and their opponents.
- Discourage illegal contact or intentional dangerous play and administer swift and equitable discipline to players involved in such activity.

_____ **I will remember that I am a youth sports coach, and that the game is for children and not adults.**

Expected Behavior:

- Maintain a positive, helpful and supportive attitude.
- Exercise your authority/influence to control the behavior of the fans and spectators.
- Exhibit gracious acceptance of defeat or victory.
- Accept and adhere to all league rules and policies related to the participation of adults and youth.
- Fulfill the expected role of a youth coach to adopt a “children first” philosophy.
- Allow and encourage the players to listen, learn and play hard within the rules.
- Place the emphasis on fun and participation.

Coach Name (Printed)

Coach Signature

Date