

# Football Athlete Code of Conduct

## WHO THIS WAIVER IS FOR:

All Football players and/or Cheer athletes for the 2022/2023 season. You are required to read and agree to the Code of Conduct terms below as applicable to your registration designation.

## FOOTBALL PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT

- I will play for the “fun of it” and not just to please parents and coaches.
- I will play by the rules.
- I will never argue with an official. If I disagree, I will have my Head Coach approach the official during a timeout or after a play.
- I will work equally hard for myself and our team. My team’s performance will benefit and so will you.
- I will be a good sport. Cheer all good plays whether by my team or the opponent’s team.
- I will treat all players as I would like to be treated. I will not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another player.
- I will cooperate with my coach, teammates, and opponents at all times.
- I will have fun and be a good sport (win or lose).
- I will place the emotional and social concerns of my team ahead of my personal desire to win.
- I will be honest, fair and always demonstrate good sportsmanship to all coaches, players, officials, parents and fans at all games, practices and related events.
- I will learn the value of commitment to the team. I will to the best of my ability attend fully every practice and game that I can and will notify my coach and/or team manager if I cannot. **(Based on the Head Coach's decision, if a I miss two or more practices during the week, I will either not be allowed to play in the next game or possibly have playtime cut below minimum playtime requirements outlined below). Further, if I attend practice, but leave early, the Head Coach may limit playtime based on the amount of practice time missed.**
- I will put personal goals aside for the betterment of the team.
- I understand that based on the coach’s assessment of my abilities, I will abide by the following playtime requirements:
  - Little Tikes – 8 plays to include special teams**
  - Mighty Mites – 8 plays to include special teams**
  - Pee Wee – 8 plays to include special teams**
  - Bantam – 8 plays to include special teams**
  - Junior – 4 play minimum (the expectation is that all players will get play time with lesser skilled players being placed on Special Teams.)**
  - Cruiser – 4 play minimum (the expectation is that all players will get play time with lesser skilled players being placed on Special Teams.)**
- I will show courtesy and respect to teammates, opponents, referees and coaches.
- I will realize that athletic contests, including practice sessions, are educational experiences and opportunities.
- I will not engage in unsportsmanlike conduct to include walking off the team, fighting, throwing items, arguing, or bad mouthing another teammate, coach, referee or opponent. I will not engage in behavior that could negatively impact the team or program. If called for

unsportsmanlike conduct during a game I understand that I will be removed for the remainder of that game. I also understand that by being removed, that I may face further discipline by the club or league as outlined below.

- I will treat everyone, including coaches, parents, players and officials, with respect, regardless of race, creed, color, nationality or gender.
- All persons associated with Tahoma Jr Bears Football League are expected to avoid conduct detrimental to the integrity of and public confidence in the Tahoma Jr Bears Football League Organization. This requirement applies to all players, coaches, parents, and other volunteers in TBJFC.

**If any of these rules are not adhered to the following consequences will be upheld:**

1. Verbal warning from the Athletic Director and President.
2. Written notice of violation (if duplicated) signed by the Athletic Director and President
3. One-week suspension to include the game. (To be voted by the Executive Board)
4. Terminated from the program. (To be voted by the Executive Board)

**Note: I understand that if I do not follow the Player Code of Conduct, action may be taken that could impact my participation in the program to include suspension and/or termination.**

---