

## **Adult Sports Code of Conduct**

The primary purpose of the adult sports program is to offer each participant the opportunity to pursue, through athletics, the physical and emotional benefits of such an activity. All too often the emphasis in such participation is placed on winning at all cost. Good sportsmanship is expected and must be maintained at all times. The purpose of the Code of Conduct, applicable to every participant and spectator, is to engender and motivate a return to good sportsmanship, proper conduct on and off the court/field, and to fully comply with the rules and policies of the West Plains Parks and Recreation Department.

Effective immediately, the Code of Conduct, as defined below, will be enforced. All participants and spectators will be expected to carefully review the rules and requirements set forth and are solely responsible for their actions both on and off the playing court/field. Improper behavior can and will directly affect the future participation of the individual's entire team.

The Adult Sports Code of Conduct applies to all players, managers, and spectators. This code applies to any individual or team and the penalties can be applied to any individual or an entire team. This code becomes effective as soon as the participants arrive at the facility of play and remains in effect until the participants leave the facility.

**You are therefor responsible for your words and actions while attending an adult sports event and shall conform my behavior to this code of conduct. No participant or spectator shall:**

1. At any time lay hand upon, push, shove, strike, or threaten to strike an official or employee of the West Plains Parks and Recreation Department.
2. Endanger the safety of any player, official, employee, or spectator.
3. Refuse to abide by an official's decision.
4. Use personal or verbal abuse towards any official or employee of the West Plains Parks and Recreation Department.
5. Use unnecessary rough tactics in the play of the game against another opponent.
6. Demonstrate objectionable behavior or dissent at an officials decision.
7. Discuss with an official, in any manner, the decision reached by such official. (Exception: Team Manager)
8. Discuss publicly with spectators in a derogatory manner any play, decision, or personal opinion of other players in the game.
9. Play under another individual's name, falsify name, or falsify address on an official roster.
10. Play on more than one team.
11. Appear at the facility in an intoxicated condition.
12. Attempt to incite riot among his/her team or among the spectators.

**I hereby agree that if I fail to conform my conduct to the Adult Sports Code of Conduct I will be subject to disciplinary action including, but not limited to the following depending on the severity of the offense:**

1. Verbal or Written warning
2. Suspension or ejection from current adult sports games
3. Suspension from future adult sports games
4. Suspension from the adult sport's season

