



PARENTS/GUARDIANS CODE OF CONDUCT

As parents and spectators, you have a great influence on children's enjoyment and success in football. All children who participate in football do so because they enjoy the sport, and it is fun for them. However talented a child becomes at football within this organization, parents and spectators should remember that positive encouragement for all players will contribute to help with self-esteem, build confidence and strong relationships and improve the players skills and technique.

Every Parent/Guardian of the Oakville Titans will therefore agree:

- I will remember that players participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
- I will not force my player to participate in sports.
- I will teach my player that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my player will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance. I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my player over winning.
- I will remember that youth learn by example. I will applaud good plays and performances by all players involved in the game.
- I will remember that football is a team effort and will encourage all players
- I will not speak negatively about players, coaches, coaching staff, referees, other parents/guardians, or spectators.
- I will refrain from coaching my player or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.
- I and my guests will not engage in any kind of booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
- I will never ridicule a player for making a mistake or for losing.
- I will respect the referee's decision and I will encourage all players to do the same.
- I will demand that my player treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
- I will remember that the locker room is a place for players and coaches to prepare for games and not a place for me to hangout or give instruction.
- As a parent/guardian, I will practice and encourage open communication with the coaches and coaching staff. I will bring concerns forward and adhere to a 24 hour 'cool down' period before I address the issue or contentious point. I will respect the coach's decisions and not interfere with or undermine the coaches or coaching staff.
- As a parent/guardian, I should inform the coach of any ailment that might affect the safety of my child or the safety of others. I will not let my child compete without complete and safe equipment as per Oakville Titans recommendations.
- As a parent/guardian I will make every reasonable effort to have my child attend all scheduled practices and games, arrive on time and ensure that they are ready to participate. I will contact the team manager or coach if my son/daughter is unable to attend for any reason.
- I understand that multiple absences and late arrivals may limit my son's/daughter's ability to participate in games.



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I will respect and abide by the instructions from and the decisions of the team's Therapists with respect to:

Concussion protocols, including removal from play, referral to other professionals (i.e. Sports Medicine Physicians), and all requirements of the return to play stages including documentation from other professionals and rest periods.

Injury decisions including removal from play reduced or modified participation, whether or not supportive taping is indicated, and referral to other professionals (i.e. physicians).

Safety instructions including implementation of thunder/lightning protocol, hydration and equipment recommendations and any other safety related situations.

I understand that the Oakville Titans is a volunteer run organization and parents/guardians are required to help run the organization. When called upon to help with various duties please make yourself available to contribute

The Oakville Titans WILL enforce the following rules:

No parents/guardians allowed on the field during scheduled practice times (for safety/liability reasons).

Coaches are always available to answer parent questions and address concerns, *except* for discussing playing time and positions.

Mandatory **24-hour cooling-off period** following a game to discuss any issues associated with the game with the Head Coach or any Assistant Coaches.

If the player has an unexcused absence for ONE practice; the player will play the minimum plays for that weekly game. If the player has an unexcused absence for TWO practices; the player WILL NOT suit up for that weekly game. The player must still attend the game.

Any bullying behavior will not be tolerated and dealt with accordingly including separation from the Oakville Titans Football League.

I have read and fully understand the terms of this contract and agree to adhere to all areas. I further understand any violation of this policy may result in immediate suspension from the program for myself and my child.

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME

Please print

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE