



## PARENT AND SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT

As a parent or guardian, I agree to abide by the following rules and all rules set forth in the Farmingdale-Howell Pop Warner Policies & Procedures and Bylaws. I understand I am responsible for all spectators present at Pop Warner events on my/my athlete's behalf.

1. At any Pop Warner event, practice, or competition, any adult who: verbally abuses; attempts to intimidate; is flagrantly rude; or cannot control their language, actions or gestures with an official, coach, or Pop Warner volunteer shall be asked to leave the Pop Warner event. The adult's participant may also be removed from the event at the discretion of the association's officials. Any adult who commits a second, similar offense shall be removed from Pop Warner events for the remainder of the season and their participants may be removed from HPW for the remainder of the season. Removal of a participant will be at the discretion of the association's Executive board. No Refund of monies will be executed should a participant/adult be removed from the program.
2. Any adult who physically assaults an official, coach, or Pop Warner volunteer will be banned from Pop Warner and their participants may be removed from the Pop Warner program for one year from the date of the offense. The participant(s) may not participate in another Pop Warner association during the sanction period. After one year, the parent may apply for reinstatement of the participant(s). If the adult commits a second offense, a permanent ban from Pop Warner shall be issued, and the participant(s) may be permanently removed from Pop Warner. The adult's participant(s) may also be removed from Pop Warner at the discretion of the association's Executive board. The term "physical assault" shall include, but is not limited to, hitting, slapping, pushing, spitting, kicking, or striking in any way with any part of the body or any physical implement.
3. Howell Pop Warner has a zero-tolerance policy regarding being under the influence of drugs or alcohol; and/or distributing drugs or alcohol at all Pop Warner games, practices and/or events. Adults who violate this will serve up to a one-year suspension from all Pop Warner activities. Any additional offense will be a permanent expulsion from HPW for the adult and participant(s).
4. I will abstain from drinking alcoholic beverages and using tobacco products (Smoking, Vaping, Chewing) at both the game and practice fields.
5. I will not criticize the Association, board members, coaches, participant(s) in public (including on social media, Team App/Sports Engine or any application used specifically by Coaches and Parents for team communication) but reserve constructive criticism for later, in private, with those involved.
6. I understand that there is a proper chain of command when issues/complaints arise within respective HPW teams. This chain of command begins with the Head Coach of your team. If your issue is not resolved, you may escalate your concern to the Cheer or Football Commissioner. If need be, the



Commissioner may then escalate any issues/complaints to the HPW Grievance Committee, part of our Board of Trustees.

7. I will accept decisions of the game officials on the field as being fair and called to the best ability of the officials.

8. I will not criticize an opposing team, its participant(s), coaches, fans by word of mouth or by gesture.

9. I will emphasize that winning is the result of good "TEAMWORK", not individual performance(s).

10. I will refrain from talking to my participant(s) during games and practices.

11. I will not deliberately incite unsportsmanlike conduct.

12. I will support all fundraisers and other Association activities. Each family is required to complete four (4) volunteer hours from August- December or forfeit the \$150 required deposit.

13. I will not act in a manner that may be detrimental to the athlete, team, and/or association.

14. I will be responsible for all my participant(s) equipment and uniforms. I will be responsible for any item(s) that is lost, stolen, damaged due to misuse or not turned in at the end of the season.

15. I acknowledge the importance of attendance in a team sport. I understand that my athlete(s) is expected to attend all practices and games and absences will only be excused for illness, school or religious events. Competitions are mandatory. As attendance is crucial, I further acknowledge that unexcused practices/tardiness may affect an athlete's placement on his/her team and/or in his/her routine.

16. NO REFUNDS will be given after July 15th for any reason.

17. I will uphold all Rules, Regulations, National and local, regarding Pop Warner Football, Cheerleading and Dance.

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Athlete(s) Name:

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Date:

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Parent/Guardian Printed Name:

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Parent/Guardian Signature: