



## Parks and Recreation Department Activity Code of Conduct (Sports)

### A. GOAL AND DEFINITIONS

**1. Goal** - The goal of the City of Brentwood Parks and Recreation Department (the "Department") is to provide and promote recreational activities for persons interested in good conduct, fair play, and sportsmanship in a pleasant, safe and healthy environment. One objective in developing this Activity Code of Conduct ("Code of Conduct") is to enhance the enjoyment of the activity by the participants.

**2. Definitions** - For the purpose of the Code of Conduct, unless otherwise apparent from the context or defined elsewhere in the Code of Conduct, certain words and phrases used are defined as the following:

- **"Activity"** is defined as a specified form of action in the area of recreation. An Activity may include, but is not limited to, a class, program, sports league, special event, training, or meeting.
- **"Flagrant"** is defined as extreme or deliberate violation of rules and regulations and/or customary acceptable behavior.
- **"Instructor"** is defined as one who imparts knowledge or skill to another.
- **"Official"** is defined as an authorized authority who supervises the play of a sport or event.
- **"Parent"** is defined as mother, father, legal guardian, grandparent, aunt, uncle, brother, sister or anyone representing that child at an event.
- **"Participant"** is defined as one who takes part in an activity or program.
- **"Person of Authority"** is defined as any full or part-time City of Brentwood employee authorized to supervise and enforce City of Brentwood rules, regulations or codes as they pertain to a specific activity.
- **"Spectator"** is defined as an observer or on-looker of an activity.
- **"Volunteer"** is defined as an individual, coach, manager, team parent, umpire, referee, teacher, or other official who is giving their time and expertise, and acting in a non-paid capacity.

**B. ACTIVITY CODE OF CONDUCT** - This Code of Conduct will be in effect before, during and immediately after all City of Brentwood ("City") activities when on City controlled property. All activities held in Brentwood shall be conducted in compliance with the Brentwood Municipal Code ("BMC") and any rules and regulations ("R/R") specific to utilizing a particular facility/program. Violations of the Code of Conduct and R/R may result in penalties specified below. Violations of the BMC may also result in civil and/or criminal citations. Any flagrant violation of the Code of Conduct, the BMC and/or R/R may result in immediate expulsion from the class/program/facility. Further disciplinary action may be taken, and the participant/spectator may not be issued a refund.

#### Section 1 - Abusive Manner - NO PERSON SHALL:

- a) Refuse to abide by an official's/instructors/person of authority's decision(s).
- b) Be guilty of overt demonstration of dissent at an official's/instructors/person of authority's decision(s) by throwing sports gear or equipment or any other forceful action.
- c) Dispute with or disrespect an official/instructor/person of authority or publicly discuss with an activity participant or spectator, a decision reached by an official/instructor/person of authority in a derogatory or abusive manner.
- d) Verbally attack in an abusive manner any other person.
- e) Act in a disruptive manner.
- f) Use profane, obscene or vulgar language.
- g) Verbally, visually or physically harass any official/instructor/person of authority, volunteer, participant or spectator

**PENALTY: 1<sup>st</sup> OFFENSE:** Individual/team will receive a warning.

**2<sup>nd</sup> OFFENSE:** Individual/team shall be ejected from the activity; automatic suspension from the following game, match or meet, and an incident report filed with the lead supervisor.

**3<sup>rd</sup> OFFENSE or FLAGRANT:** Increased suspension of games, matches or meets or to a maximum penalty of expulsion from the Department's programs or use of facilities.

**Section 2 - Rough Tactics - NO PERSON SHALL:** Direct or use unnecessary rough tactics in the course of an activity against the body and person of another person.

**PENALTY: 1<sup>st</sup> OFFENSE:** Individual/team will receive a warning.

**2<sup>nd</sup> OFFENSE:** Individual/team shall be ejected from the activity; automatic suspension from the following game, match or meet, and an incident report filed with the lead supervisor.

**3<sup>rd</sup> OFFENSE or FLAGRANT:** Increased suspension of games, matches or meets or to a maximum penalty of expulsion from the Department's programs or use of facilities.

**Section 3 - Aggression - NO PERSON SHALL:** Attack or act in an aggressive manner towards another person; be a willing participant in a fight; or threaten another person with a physical attack.

**PENALTY: 1<sup>st</sup> OFFENSE:** Ejection from the activity; automatic suspension from the following game, match or meet, and an incident report filed with the lead supervisor.

**2<sup>nd</sup> OFFENSE or FLAGRANT:** Expulsion from the Department's programs or use of facilities, and/or criminal charges filed.

**Section 4 - Alcohol or Gambling - NO PERSON SHALL:**

a) Appear upon the activity area at any time in an intoxicated condition or be allowed to consume alcoholic beverages while participating, watching, officiating/instructing, or volunteering during an activity. The presence and/or the consumption of any and all alcoholic beverages are prohibited at all City parks. See BMC Section 7.02.120.

b) Gamble or place bets concerning the outcome of an activity with any spectator, volunteer, official/instructor/person of authority, or participant.

**PENALTY: 1<sup>st</sup> OFFENSE:** Ejection from the activity; automatic suspension from the following game, match or meet, and an incident report filed with the lead supervisor.

**2<sup>nd</sup> OFFENSE or FLAGRANT:** Expulsion from the Department's programs or use of facilities, and/or criminal charges filed.

**Section 5 - Use of Tobacco Products - NO PERSON SHALL:** During the course of an activity as a participant, spectator, volunteer, or official/instructor/person of authority; partake in smoking or chewing tobacco products.

**PENALTY: 1<sup>st</sup> OFFENSE:** Individual/team will receive a warning.

**2<sup>nd</sup> OFFENSE:** Individual/team shall be ejected from the activity; automatic suspension from the following game, match or meet, and an incident report filed with the lead supervisor.

**3<sup>rd</sup> OFFENSE or FLAGRANT:** Increased suspension of games, matches or meets or to a maximum penalty of expulsion from the Department's programs or use of facilities.

**Section 6 - Suspended or Non-Rostered Participants - NO PERSON OF AUTHORITY/VOLUNTEER SHALL:** Knowingly allow a suspended participant to participate in a game, match, meet, or activity during the participant's time of suspension in any manner (such as a player, coach or, scorekeeper); allow a non-rostered person to actively participate in a game, match, meet, or activity/program.

**PENALTY: 1<sup>st</sup> OFFENSE:** Any game, match or meet that a suspended or non-rostered person participates in will be forfeited, the rostered person will also be suspended from participation the next week and the coach/manager may be suspended from the following game, match or meet, as determined by the Department. A non-rostered-person is not considered a participant. The non-rostered person may not participate on, nor coach or manage any team for the remainder of the season.

**2<sup>nd</sup> OFFENSE or FLAGRANT:** Expulsion from the Department's programs or use of facilities.

**Section 7 – Soliciting - NO PERSON SHALL:** Use any park or facility for the purpose of conducting a commercial business without a vendor permit. See BMC Title 7, Chapter 7.02.080.

**PENALTY:** Violator will be asked to cease activity and/or leave the premises.

**Section 8 - Violations -**

8.1 All violations of the Code of Conduct, the BMC and/or R/R can result in a penalty, which may exceed the minimum penalty.

8.2 In case an incident arises that is not covered by Code of Conduct, and/or R/R, the lead supervisor will determine what action will be taken.

8.3 Multiple and/or flagrant violations of the Code of Conduct, the BMC and/or R/R by a team may result in a team suspension.

**PENALTY 1<sup>st</sup> OFFENSE:** The team, including all rostered players whether present or not during the violation, will be ejected, and suspended from the following game, match or meet, and an incident report filed with the lead Supervisor.

**MAXIMUM PENALTY:** All players on the team, including all rostered players whether present or not during the violation, are subject to expulsion from the Department's activities or use of facilities.

8.4 Any person ejected from an activity must leave the facility immediately; the person must remove himself/herself out of sight and sound of the official/instructor/person of authority.

**PENALTY:** Failure to abide by Section 8.4 will result in a minimum two (2) game, match or meet suspension.

By signing this, I hereby acknowledge that I have read, understand, and will abide by the Activity Code of Conduct.

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Participant Signature

Date

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Print Participant Name

Team/Organization Name (if applicable)

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Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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Print Parent/Guardian Name