

Code of Conduct

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Expectations, Acceptable and Unacceptable Conduct and Behavior. All players and coaches must sign prior to season.

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- **THE IBLA SUPPORTS THE FOLLOWING BEHAVIORS FOR THOSE PARTICIPATING OR INVOLVED IN ANY WAY** ([https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+\(1\).pdf](https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+(1).pdf))
 1. Sportsmanship and Fair Play: are essential to the game, and must be taught and developed both at home and on the field during practices and games. Permitting, encouraging, or condoning performance that is dangerous or demeaning to a player, coach, official, spectator or anyone connected with the function of the game is unacceptable. ([https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+\(1\).pdf](https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+(1).pdf))
 2. Safety and Welfare: of the players are of primary importance. ([https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+\(1\).pdf](https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+(1).pdf))
 3. Positive Role Models: Coaches must always be aware of the tremendous influence they have on their players. They are to strive to be positive role models in dealing with young people, as well as adults. ([https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+\(1\).pdf](https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+(1).pdf))
 4. Good Sportsmanship: The emphasis on winning should never be placed above the value of good sportsmanship, the concepts of fair play, the skills of the game or the safety of our players. ([https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+\(1\).pdf](https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+(1).pdf))
 5. Positive Reinforcement: Derogatory comments are unacceptable. Use positive reinforcement with players and adults alike. It should be remembered that criticism, once made, can never be retracted. ([https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+\(1\).pdf](https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+(1).pdf))
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 1. Badgering of Officials or Others: Parents or guardians of IBLA players involved with the games must never permit anyone to openly or maliciously criticize, badger, harass or threaten an official. To do so is a violation of the rules of the game and must be considered unacceptable conduct. The coach must quietly and privately address all concerns

to the officials at the appropriate time as defined by the rules; and if deemed appropriate, place in writing to the official's assigning authority any significant problems with the officiating.

1. Abusive Conduct: IBLA player(s), coach(es), guardians or spectators berating or abusing an official or another coach, player, or spectator prior to, during or after the game will be barred from participating in the remainder of the games in question. The offending individual(s) must immediately leave the game area. Depending upon the seriousness of the infraction, the offending coach(es), team official(s) or spectator(s) may be barred from attending any future games or tournaments as a spectator. ([https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+\(1\).pdf](https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+(1).pdf))
2. Attempt Unfair Advantage: Knowledge of the rules of lacrosse must be respected and adhered to by all who participate in the game of lacrosse, both in the letter and the spirit of the game. The rules are designed to protect the players, provide common standards and control the game. Attempts to beat or circumvent these rules, to take unfair advantage of an opponent, or to teach deliberate unsportsmanlike conduct is considered unacceptable conduct. ([https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+\(1\).pdf](https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+(1).pdf))
3. Circumventing Rules: Guidelines and eligibility requirements, such as age and previous level of participation, have been established to encourage and maximize participation, as well as promote safety. All who participate in the game of lacrosse must be thoroughly acquainted with these rules and regulations, and should assume the responsibility for their observance and enforcement. Attempts to circumvent eligibility rules, or to use ineligible players, shall be considered unacceptable conduct. ([https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+\(1\).pdf](https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+(1).pdf))
4. Unsportsmanlike conduct: by spectators associated with an IBLA player, will be addressed immediately by the IBLA coaching staff. The IBLA coaching staff will address the offending spectator(s), asking that the disruptive activity cease immediately. If such behaviors continue, a one minute penalty on the IBLA in-home will be assessed by the game officials. The offending spectator(s) must then immediately leave the game area for the remainder of the game. Failure of the spectator to leave the area will result in the immediate stoppage of play and the forfeiture of the game. ([https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+\(1\).pdf](https://season-ticker-documents.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/Newton+Park+-+Parking+Information+(1).pdf))

• **ENFORCEMENT OF VIOLATIONS OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT**

1. An IBLA player or coach ejected from a game for any unsportsmanlike conduct will be barred from the remainder of the game in question and any remaining IBLA games or tournaments. The offending individual(s) must immediately leave the game area. Depending on the seriousness of the infraction, coaches may be barred from attending any

future games tournament as a spectator. Such conduct will be reviewed by the IBLA and appropriate action will be taken. The penalties for such behavior can include suspensions or expulsions from IBLA.

1. IBLA coaches will not play ineligible players knowingly or unknowingly, in any sanctioned game. If this violation occurs the IBLA will forfeit the game or games. The fact that this infraction was done knowingly or unknowingly will not have veering on the fact that the game will be forfeited. The proper apologies will be made to the team or teams that were played with illegal players.
2. Any IBLA player(s), coach(es), parents, guardians or spectators who at any time while on field grounds or in the game area conducts themselves in an abusive, offensive or illegal manner outside of the game situations will be barred from participating in any remaining IBLA games or tournaments. Depending on the seriousness of the refraction, the offending individual(s) or IBLA player may be barred from attending any games or tournaments as a spectator(s). Further, a spectator(s) who conducts him or herself in an abusive, offensive or illegal manner while on field grounds outside of game situations will be subject to being barred from future games or tournaments. NOTE: It should be understood that if the offending individual(s) will not leave the area of his/her own free will, and to enforce any of the above violations, a request will be made to have the offending individual(s) escorted from the area by a designated authority.
3. All Coaches and Players must read and sign the Code of Conduct online prior to the start of the season.



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