

2008 San Diego Pop Warner Parent Contract

Zero Tolerance Policy Agreement

As the parent or legal guardian of the child named below, I hereby consent to abide and ensure that my child will abide by all the rules, guidelines, policies and directives established by the Team, League and Conference (San Diego Pop Warner) of which my child may be a participant. Additionally, I will, to the best of my ability, attempt to ensure that members of **my family, my friends and relatives** who may be directly or indirectly participating in Team, League or Conference activities, will also abide by all the rules, guidelines, policies, and directives established by the Team, League, or Conference of which my child will be a participant.

I understand that I may be asked to leave the premises of a Team, League or Conference activity if, in the judgment of the Team, League or Conference official, my behavior is deemed to be; inconsistent with the goals and philosophies of the Team, League or Conference; is not in the best interest of the children, parents, spectators, etc., who may be directly or indirectly participating in a Team, League, or Conference activity; or if my behavior is abusive, degrading, or cause harm or injury to people around me. A single violation can result in that spectator or parent being removed from the field and being banned from any and all football games played by San Diego Pop Warner for the remainder of the season or up to one year (please refer to SDPW P & P). Failure to leave a game or attending any following game will result in removal by the *San Diego Police Department* or any other local law enforcement agency.

The Zero Tolerance Policy

I further agree to the following:

1. I will not criticize, belittle or question the ability or authority of any official, coach or volunteer of the Team, League or Conference.

2. I will in no way criticize, demean, belittle, mock, taunt or attempt to communicate with any Team, League or Conference REFEREE, before, during, or after a game or Team, League or Conference activity. However, I may offer genuine praise and thanks for a referee's performance as would be expected in and recognized as a showing or example of good sportsmanship.

Note: Any board member will have the authority to stop, and end a game and to award the game win to the other team when any spectator or parent causes a disruption on the playing field.

3. I will control my emotions at games, practices and events. I will not yell at or criticize other players, coaches, parents or officials of the Team, League or Conference.

4. I will not use foul language.

5. I will not smoke or use tobacco products or partake of alcoholic beverages while on the premises of a Team, League or Conference activity.

6. Coach/Parent Relationship:

A. I will not put pressure on a coach to:

- 1) Play my child at a certain position.
- 2) Play my child more than is required by the "Mandatory Play Rule"
- 3) Alter his / her coaching style, technique, or philosophy.
- 4) Question a referee's judgment or overall officiating ability.

B. I will:

- 1) Support the decision of my child's coach to play my child at any position the coach see fit.
- 2) Ensure that my child is on time for all games, practices and team activities.
- 3) Attempt to control any negative behavior of my child as pointed out by his/her coach or Team, League or Conference official.
- 4) Encourage my child to play any position his/her coach recommends he/she play.

7. All grievances, problems, questions, etc., will be discussed with a Team, League, or Conference official outside the presence of children or preferably accomplished off the premises in a personal meeting or telephone conversation.

8. I will respect a Team, League, or Conference official's right NOT to communicate with me "on the spur of the moment" about issues that may be potentially controversial, or, under the circumstance, not in the immediate best interests of the child participants.

9. Whenever possible, I will volunteer my time and talents to support my child's participation in Team, League or Conference activities.

Note: Only authorized personnel, with appropriate ID cards, the chain gang, and the team checkers will be allowed within the roped-off areas of the field.

10. I understand that all Team, League or Conference games, practices, and activities function under a "Recreational Philosophy", stressing sport as a FUN, HEALTHY activity to be participated in for enjoyment and not for competitive advantage or personal achievement.

11. I will support the method and result of team formation within the League or Conference and understand that the decision of my child's placement on a team by the League or Conference is final.