

ADULT FLAG FOOTBALL PLAYER CONDUCT GUIDELINES



The following "Adult Flag Football Player Conduct Guidelines" have been adopted by the Spanish Fork City Parks & Recreation Department. These rules of conduct will be strictly enforced in the Adult Recreation Flag Football League. Penalties for conduct violations could carry over from sport to sport.

It is the coaches' responsibility to ensure all their players know and adhere to these rules. All Adult Flag Football Player Conduct Guidelines are enforced before, during and after the game.

- NO PLAYER SHALL:** At any time lay a hand upon, shove, strike, threaten or be guilty of physical attack as an aggressor or in retaliation upon any official, player, or spectator anywhere on the premises. Officials are required to immediately suspend the player from further play and report such player to the League Director. Such player shall remain suspended until his case has been considered.

Minimum Penalty: Suspension for one (1) additional league games and placed on probation for the rest of the season. (Including postseason tournaments)

Maximum Penalty: Placed on suspension for life (from any Spanish Fork Adult Sports Programs), and/or assault charges filed.
- NO PLAYER SHALL:** Be guilty of verbally abusive behavior, using profanity or swearing before, during or after a game. **All swear words count, not just the ones you consider swear words!**

Minimum Penalty: Unsportsmanlike penalty – 15 yards.

Maximum Penalty: Discretion of the Recreation Staff.
- NO PLAYER SHALL:** Be guilty of using unnecessarily rough tactics (before, during or after a game) against the body or person of an opposing player; or any other act of unfair play. Officials are required to immediately suspend players from further play and report such player to the League Director.

Minimum Penalty: Unsportsmanlike penalty – 15 yards and four plays off the field.

Maximum Penalty: Suspension for two (2) league games and placed on probation for the remainder of the season.
- NO PLAYER SHALL:** Discuss with an official in any manner the decision reached by such official except the coach or captain. Be guilty of objectionable demonstrations of dissent at an officials' decision. Refuse to abide by officials' decisions.

Minimum Penalty: Warning and 15-yard penalty.

Maximum Penalty: Discretion of Recreation Staff. (Possible Suspensions)
- Players are prohibited from the use of drugs or alcohol anywhere on a school's / city's property or any playing area. Players who in the opinion of the officials, site supervisor or director appear to have been drinking alcohol or taking drugs, shall be ejected from the game, placed on probation, must meet with recreation staff, and could include possible suspensions.

6. Player ejections during pre-season, season and postseason will be penalized as follows:

**Minimum Penalty: Ejection from the game. Must sit out from the point of the offense.
Suspended for the next complete game.**

Maximum Penalty: Suspension for remainder of season. No refund will be given.

7. Teams are responsible for the conduct of their spectators. Failure to attempt to control disruptive spectators may result in a forfeit to your team.

8. Players not listed on the official roster (who have paid and signed the waiver form) will not be allowed to play! Do not try to play under an assumed name! Teams caught trying to cheat in this manner will forfeit the game where they were caught and be banned from postseason tournament play. If caught during the tournament, the team will be suspended from the tournament.

9. Throwing, kicking, or slamming footballs away from play will not be tolerated. This represents disrespect to officials, players, and spectators. Warnings and/or penalties will be given.

11. A game may be stopped at any time by the officials, site supervisor, director or program management staff, if the situation warrants.

12. The Recreation staff has final authority over all disputes!