



City of Santa Clarita

Recreation and Community Services Department

Adult Sports



The City of Santa Clarita Recreation and Community Services Department have adopted the Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation (SCMAF) "Code of Conduct" as guidelines for sportsmanship in all City of Santa Clarita Adult Sports programs. This Code of Conduct has a zero tolerance policy and applies to all team personnel (including players, managers, coaches, scorekeepers, sponsors, and substitutes) and applies to all before, during, and after games. Adult Sports staff reserves the right to rule on any violations covered or not covered under the Code of Conduct.

PARTICIPANT'S CODE OF CONDUCT

1. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Consume alcohol before, during, or after a game while on City property (including City parking lots) and/or appear on the field of play, at any time, intoxicated or under the influence of. Municipal Code Sec 14.06.140

MINIMUM PENALTY: Game forfeit (Team) and placed on probation the remainder of the season.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: One (1) year suspension.

NOTE: *If multiple infractions occur, penalty could be greater than one (1) year.*

2. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Refuse to abide by the official's decision.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Warning by the official.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game.

NOTE: *If multiple infractions occur, penalty could be greater than one (1) game.*

3. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Be guilty of objectionable demonstrations by throwing of equipment or any other forceful action.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Warning by the official.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game.

NOTE: *If multiple infractions occur, penalty could be greater than one (1) game.*

4. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Be guilty of heaping personal, physical attacks (laying a hand upon, pushing, shoving or striking) upon any player or representative of the City of Santa Clarita, (umpire, league staff.) for any real or imaginary wrong decision or judgment before, during, or after a game.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game and minimum one (1) games suspension.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: One (1) year probation and/or one (1) year suspension.

NOTE: *Local law enforcement will be notified (Physical Attack). If multiple infractions occur, penalty could be greater than one (1) year.*

5. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Be guilty of using unnecessary rough tactics in the play of the game against the body and person of any opposing player.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game and minimum one (1) games suspension.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: One (1) year probation and/or one (1) year suspension.

NOTE: *If multiple infractions occur, penalty could be greater than one (1) year.*

6. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Be involved in a physical altercation (fight) as the aggressor or retaliator.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game and two (2) games suspension.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: One (1) year suspension.

NOTE: *Local law enforcement will be notified. If multiple infractions occur, penalty could be greater than one (1) year.*

7. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Be guilty of an abusive verbal attack upon any player, official, spectator, or representative of the City of Santa Clarita.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Removal from game and park.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Two (2) game suspension.

NOTE: *If multiple infractions occur, penalty could be greater than two (2) game suspension.*

8. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Use profane, obscene, or vulgar language in any manner, or at any time.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Warning from Official.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game and one game suspension.

NOTE: *If multiple infractions occur, penalty could be greater than one (1) game suspension.*

9. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Smoke while in a park/city facility. Per City of Santa Clarita Municipal Code Sec 9.50.055

MINIMUM PENALTY: Warning.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game.

NOTE: *If multiple infractions occur, penalty could be greater than one (1) game suspension.*

10. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Be guilty of discussing publicly with the spectators in a derogatory or abusive manner, any play, decision, or personal opinion of other players during the game.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Warning.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game.

NOTE: *If multiple infractions occur, penalty could be greater than one (1) game suspension.*

11. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Be guilty of using illegal equipment. Example: a bat that has been altered in any way. Altering includes, but is not limited to: sanding, filing, shaving, lengthening, shortening, weight-altering, excessive taping, painting, heating, and cooling.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: One (1) year suspension.

NOTE: *If multiple infractions occur, penalty could be greater than one (1) year suspension.*

12. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Be guilty of showboating (displaying inappropriate behavior when one team dominates the other). Showboating includes, but is not limited to: not putting forth the effort to play a game when one team has outscored the other, taunting the other team.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Warning by the official.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game.

NOTE: *If multiple infractions occur, penalty could be greater than one (1) game suspension.*

13. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Permit anyone to remain in the dugout, on the team's bench, or on the field/court of play that is not a rostered player or coach.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Warning by the official.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game.

NOTE: *If multiple infractions occur, penalty could be greater than one (1) game suspension.*

14. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Permit the use of any equipment or device which, in the sole judgement of the game official, compromises the safety of participants. This includes the use of radios or similar devices on the person of a player, in the dugout, or in spectator viewing area, which might inhibit the ability of players to hear verbal calls and/or instructions by the official.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Warning by the official and discontinued use of the device
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game.

NOTE: *If multiple infractions occur, penalty could be greater than one (1) game suspension.*