



AMERICAN YOUTH FOOTBALL

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ASSOCIATION NAME - Newtown Youth Football +
Cheer

READ BEFORE SIGNING



I (insert name) _____, in consideration of being allowed to participate in any way, in the American Youth Football, Inc. ("AYF") (dba American Youth Football and American Youth Cheer,) national championships and any other official AYF events and activities, do hereby grant to American Youth Football Inc., the unrestricted right and permission, free from approval or review, to copyright and/or use my likeness in any and all media now or hereafter known, including but not limited to, pictures and videos of which I may be included intact or in part for promotion or other commercial use.

Print Name:

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____



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IN CONSIDERATION OF being allowed to participate in any way in the American Youth Football (AYF) or American Youth Cheer Regional/National Championships, football and or cheer programs of

_____, the Local Organization, which is a legally distinct and organization not operated or controlled by American Youth Football, despite its membership with American Youth Football, Inc. acknowledges and agrees that:

1. The risks of injury and illness (ex: communicable diseases such as MRSA, influenza, and COVID-19) from the activities involved in this program are significant, including the potential for permanent paralysis and death, and while particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce these risks, the risks of serious injury and illness do exist; and,
2. I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, both known and unknown, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES or others, and assume full responsibility for my participation; and,
3. I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest official immediately; and,
4. I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS American Youth Football, Inc. their officers, officials, agents, and/or employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event ("RELEASEES"), WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, ILLNESS, DISABILITY, DEATH, or loss or damage to person or property, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

Print Name of Participant: _____

Participant's Signature: _____ Date Signed: _____

FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE (UNDER AGE 18 AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION)

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release as provided above of all the Releasees, and for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin, I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child/ward's involvement or participation in these programs as provided above, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THEIR NEGLIGENCE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Print Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date Signed: _____

Emergency Phone Number: () _____ - _____

2025 - AYF Code of Conduct Form

Newtown Youth Football & Cheer will not tolerate verbal abuse of its volunteer coaches from any Fan, Parent or Spectator.

This is American Youth Football, not the pros. Fans, as well as the players and coaches, are expected to abide by a code of conduct at all American Youth Football Events. While 99% of the adults in the program will abide by this code without being told, this code is being published to protect the children and volunteers (which includes all coaches and board members) from the 1%.

FANS' CODE OF CONDUCT

Fans will abide by a Code of Conduct which includes the provisions which follow. If any of these rules are broken, Newtown Youth Football & Cheer shall have the authority to impose a penalty.

Fans shall:

1. Not criticize the players/cheerleaders or coaches in front of the other spectators in the stands, but reserve constructive criticism for later, in private.
2. Accept decisions of the game officials (including referees and coaches) on the field as being fair and called to the best ability of said officials.
3. Not criticize an opposing team, its players, coaches, or fans by work of mouth or by gesture.
4. Refrain from using physical or verbal abuse or profane language at any time at the game, practice field, or other AYF functions.
5. Abstain from being under the influence of or in possession of and/or drinking alcoholic beverages and the possession or use of any illegal substance on both the game and practice fields.
6. Not be allowed on the sidelines during a game.
7. Not interfere/interrupt the coaching staff before, during or after games or at practice.
8. Not express complaints about coaches in stands or to coaches in front of or around the children (i.e. right after a game or practice).

VIOLATION

Any parent or fan who violates the code of conduct risks the further participation of the child in the program. The procedure is as follows:

1. Any fan who violates the code of conduct or becomes a nuisance will be asked to leave by the head coach and can be suspended from all team activities.
2. If the fan fails to leave upon request, the child may be suspended from further participation in team activities by the head coach.
3. The head coach along with the executive board will decide if the duration of the suspension is to be longer than one to four weeks or if the child will be dropped from the program. That decision will depend on the attitude of the parents.
4. Any parent or fan who violates the code of conduct risks the future participation of his/her children in the program. Depending on the severity of the incident the board of directors may decide to ban future participation in the program for up to three years.

CONDUCT OF ALL PLAYERS - PARENTS

All players are guaranteed 6 plays in each Jamboree, Regular Season or Playoff game. Everything beyond that must be earned in the opinion of the coaching staff whose decisions are final.

Athlete's Code

I will: emphasis the ideals of sportsmanship, ethical conduct and fair play. Show courtesy to my opponents and officials. Recognize athletic contests are serious educational endeavors. Give complete allegiance to my coaches who are the instructional authority for my team. Discourage fans, fellow players and parents from undercutting my coach's authority.

I will not: Use profanity or talk "trash" before, during or after any game. Use drugs, alcohol, or tobacco. Criticize my teammates. Act in any way that may incite spectators.

Parent's Code

I will: Support my child's team/squad and teach the value of commitment to the team/squad - emphasis the ideals of sportsmanship, ethical conduct and fair play. Help my child and American Youth Football make athletic contests a positive educational experiences. Show courtesy to opponents and officials. Direct constructive criticism of my child's athletic program to the athletic director or association officials and work toward a positive result for all concerned.

I will not: Criticize officials, direct abuse or profane language toward them, or otherwise subvert their authority. Undermine, in work or deed, the authority of the coach or administration. Intrude onto the field, stand on the sideline, or yell from the bleachers at or to the coaches, referees or administration.

Please cut along this line, sign and return to the head coach

I have read the **FAN'S CODE OF CONDUCT** and understand what is expected.

Child's Name (PRINT)

Team Name

Date

Parents Name (PRINT)

Parents Signature

This part of the form must be returned to the head coach before the second game to the season.

Newtown Youth Football & Cheer Anti-Bullying & Social Media Policy

NYFC is committed to providing a physically and emotionally safe environment for all our participants so they can play football and cheer in a secure atmosphere. Bullying/teasing of any kind is unacceptable on or off the field. This includes behavior during team related activities (e.g. practices and games) as well as interactions outside these activities. It also includes mean-spirited comments through texts and posts on social media. All players will be held accountable for their actions on and off the field, and are responsible for reporting bullying to their coach.

What is teasing and bullying?

Teasing and bullying are deliberately hurtful behaviors, where it is difficult for those being bullied to defend themselves. The three main types are physical (e.g. hitting, kicking, theft), verbal (e.g. name calling, intimidating, racist remarks) or indirect (e.g. spreading rumors, ignoring, excluding). Additionally, taunts or insults on social media are considered bullying.

NYFC Teasing/Bullying Procedures

This policy will be communicated to participants and parents at the beginning of each season. NYFC will take all reports and concerns seriously and attempt to stop the behavior. If teasing or bullying behavior occurs, it will be:

1. Investigated by a member of the team's coaching staff.
2. Addressed by the head coach with all players involved in the situation.
3. Communicated to the parent(s) by the head coach via email, with a CC to NYFC President.
4. NYFC board will meet with parent(s) of participant(s) involved in the bullying incident, and the board will determine disciplinary action.
 - **Disciplinary actions will vary depending on the severity of the bullying incident(s) but with approval of the NYFC Board, it can include removal from the league.**
5. Member(s) of the NYFC will address the affected team.

Social Media Policy

Athletes, parents and coaches are expected to follow the same rules for good behavior and respectful conduct online as they do offline. Athletes and coaches are representing NYFC at all times during the football season. They should use good judgement when posting comments and images online. They should be particularly mindful with images that include NYFC apparel or uniforms. Misuse of social media can result in disciplinary action.

Player: I accept responsibility for my words, actions, texts and social media posts including images. I acknowledge that all forms of bullying must be reported to my coach. I understand that if I bully or tease another participant during the football season, I will be removed from the Newtown Youth Football & Cheer program.

Player's Name (PRINT) _____

Player's Signature _____

Date _____

Parent/Guardian: I have read the NYFC Bullying & Social Media Policy. I understand that my child may be subject to disciplinary actions by the coaches and the league if they are involved in bullying or the misuse of social media, including removal from the NYFC program.

Parent/Guardian Name (PRINT) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____