

CHEEKTOWAGA YOUTH & RECREATIONAL SERVICES

ZERO TOLERANCE/SPORTSMANSHIP POLICY

The Town of Cheektowaga Department of Youth & Recreational Services is dedicated to providing quality programs, services & opportunities in which all people can participate and enjoy. In order to provide a positive experience for our community, participants must abide by the following policies in order to maintain a courteous and professional atmosphere that reflects good sportsmanship at all times.

POLICY: Disruptive, unsportsmanlike and/or inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated. Such behavior includes, **but is not limited to:**

-Harassment, ridiculing or intimidation of players, coaches, officials or spectators by means of hostile, threatening /abusive behavior and/or verbal or written comments.

-Physical contact/abuse....blocking or interfering with the passing of others.

-Defacing or damaging property.

-Refusal to comply with lawful/reasonable requests from Department representatives.

PROCEDURE: Activities, games, events and any other Department related functions may be stopped when disruptive/inappropriate behavior is displayed. Violators will be identified and based upon the severity of the action, subject to a course of action that could include:

-Verbal warning

-Written warning

-Removal/suspension from program activity

-Prohibition from future programs, events, etc.

-Police intervention

In the event the violator is a parent/guardian/relative of a program participant, the participant may also be subject to any of the actions listed above.

Participants and/or parents or legal guardians will be required to sign a copy of this policy upon registration, although failure to obtain a signature shall not impair the binding nature of this policy.