



NFHS/NJSIAA/NJTFOA SPORTSMANSHIP AGREEMENT 2016

Cross Country, Coaches and Contestants, your participation in this meet means that you are aware and agree to abide by the following:

1. The NFHS/NJSIAA, by rule, requires all athletic officials to enforce the sportsmanship rules for coaches and contestants. Acts meant to demean opposing players, teams, spectators, and/or officials are not the highest ideals of interscholastic sports and will not be tolerated. Let this contest reflect sportsmanship and mutual respect. (See #3. Team Captains & Coaches "0" TOLERANCE Statement)
2. You are certifying to the Meet Director and/or Referee by your participation today, that your contestants are legally equipped and in compliance with all uniform regulations as per NFHS/NJSIAA Rules and Regulations.(NO FLYING OF DRONES & NO SMOKING)
Coaches are aware that continued problems in these areas subject coaches to possible disciplinary action under the sportsmanship rules.
3. Team Captains & Coaches: "THERE WILL BE NO TOLERANCE FOR NEGATIVE STATEMENTS OR ACTIONS BETWEEN OPPOSING PLAYERS & COACHES. THIS INCLUDES TAUNTING, BAITING, BERATING OPPONENTS, "TRASH-TALKING" OR ACTIONS WHICH RIDICULE OR CAUSE EMBARRASSMENT TO THEM. ANY VERBAL, WRITTEN OR PHYSICAL CONDUCT RELATED TO RACE, GENDER, ETHNICITY, DISABILITY, SEXUAL ORIENTATION OR RELIGION SHALL NOT BE TOLERATED, COULD SUBJECT THE VIOLATER TO EJECTION, AND MAY RESULT IN PENALTIES BEING ASSESSED AGAINST YOUR TEAM. IF SUCH COMMENTS ARE HEARD, A PENALTY WILL BE ASSESSED IMMEDIATELY. WE HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED NOT TO ISSUE WARNINGS. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO REMIND YOUR TEAM OF THIS POLICY. 7/1/16