

APPENDIX L

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR TOURNAMENTS, CONTESTS AND EVENTS SPONSORED BY THE MCAC

The basic principles of the MCAC stand for the highest ideals in sportsmanship. One of the primary objectives of competition is to develop and foster respect for fellow participants, coaches, officials, and spectators. With this in mind, and since it is fundamental to the continuance of the activities sponsored by the MCAC that the rights of the majority shall not be jeopardized by the actions of a few, the CODE OF CONDUCT has been adopted.

I. Basic Responsibilities

- a. Participants shall recognize their responsibility for proper conduct at any tournament, contest or event sponsored by the MCAC or its member colleges.
- b. Coaches shall recognize and assume responsibility for the actions of themselves and their team members.
- c. The host to any activity sponsored by the MCAC shall establish all procedures deemed necessary for the encouragement of proper conduct of the participants in the activity. This shall include publicizing the CODE OF CONDUCT in advance of the sponsored activity so that the responsibilities of each participant shall be clearly understood before the event begins. Each coach who has participants competing in the event, shall be responsible for informing each member of the CODE.

II. Regulations of Conduct

- a. Any participant who appears at any activity under the influence of alcohol/drug shall be subject to disciplinary action by the officials sponsoring the activity.
- b. The responsibility for property damage shall be determined. Those responsible for such destruction will be called to account for such actions and arrange for financial settlement to the party or parties concerned.
- c. Participants are obligated to show proper consideration for the rights and welfare of others.

III. Disciplinary Action

- a. Violations of the CODE OF CONDUCT shall be referred for action to the Conference Coordinator and Executive Committee.
- b. The General Assembly shall act as a Board of Appeal.
- c. The Conference Coordinator and Executive Committee's decision does not prevent or assume other disciplinary action by the violators' college or law enforcement agencies.
- d. No other appeal procedures are authorized.
- e. All other disciplinary action or problems not involving MCAC events, contests, or tournaments, and not provided for in the MCAC handbook shall be referred to the Conference Coordinator and Violation Committee for decision.