

2010 Returning Coach's Training

1. Youth Protection – Google 'Boy Scout Youth Protection Training'
 - a. Protect the kids
 - i. Never touch a child
 - ii. Never punish a child physically – if a child is acting up, call their parent immediately and ask them to help you with the situation – consider a 'time-out' situation until a parent arrives
 - b. Looking for abuse – Contact the principal of your school, or the authorities. Do NOT try to deal with the problem yourself.
 - i. Physical abuse – bruises or injuries (remember - it could be a severe football season!)
 - ii. Sexual abuse – withdrawing, change in attitude for the worse, using sexually suggestive language or making advances to you or other adults
 - iii. Mental abuse – so much harder to recognize – contact the experts!
 - c. Protect yourself – you never know when someone may get mad at you and accuse YOU of some impropriety
 - i. Never be alone with a team member
2. Changes in the Program Guide for 2010
 - a. Added a sample Cost Form
 - b. College age teams can have members from different colleges
 - c. 2011 Worlds is at University of Maryland in College Park on May 27-30
 - d. "no one is allowed to create a penalty category or change the point value of a penalty category"
 - e. Items you can combine on the cost form now include Paint and paper.
 - f. Anything the team members are wearing that enhances the performance must be included on the cost form
 - g. Items that are exempt from costing have been expanded to include the t-shirts that CCI sells
 - h. **Incidental contact or touching** – Unless the problem states otherwise, touching without gaining an advantage. It would have no penalty unless the incidental touching is repeated after a judges warning, or it is intentional.
3. OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE – the judges are generally going to be instructed to be looking very carefully at Outside Assistance this year.

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Presenter's Notes

1. Youth Protection – This lecture mimics other programs that go into much more detail such as the Girl Scouts and the Boy Scouts. You can Google ‘Boy Scout Youth Protection Training’ and get to scouting.org. You will have to set up an account, but the on-line video training is fantastic.
 - a. Protect the kids
 - i. We are going to assume that no one here is planning on hurting a child, but here are just some pointers:
 1. Never touch a child – I am a hugger, so I break this rule all the time. Be aware of how you would want a non-family adult touching your child and be careful!
 2. Never punish a child physically – if a child is acting up, call their parent immediately and ask them to help you with the situation – consider a ‘time-out’ situation until a parent arrives
 - b. Looking for abuse – if you suspect a child is being abused (how horrible!!) contact the principal of your school, or the authorities. Do NOT try to deal with the problem yourself.
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 - i. Never be alone with a team member
 - ii. My advice, try not to do small groups at all, break into small groups when the bulk of the team is present
2. Changes in the Program Guide for 2010
 - a. Not that many, none are devastating
 - b. They added a sample Cost Form –
 - c. They indicated College age teams can have members from different colleges, the rules are complicated concerning primary schools, but these teams may also have members from a school other than the sponsoring school.
 - d. They indicate 2011 Worlds is at University of Maryland in College Park on May 27-30

- e. It indicates “no one is allowed to create a penalty category or change the point value of a penalty category” – that one make you wonder what the heck happened last year, huh?
 - f. They expanded the items you can combine on the cost form to include Paint and paper. So the categories you can combine are now duct tape, glue, string, staples, crayons, paper clips, paper, paint and small hardware items (nuts, bolts, nails, screws, etc.) -- calculate them as miscellaneous items
 - g. Anything the team members are wearing that enhances the performance must be included on the cost form – story of golf shoes – jewelry, etc.
 - h. Items that are exempt from costing have been expanded to include the t-shirts that CCI sells – hmmm...
 - i. They added a new definition: ***Incidental contact or touching*** – Unless the problem states otherwise, touching without gaining an advantage. It would have no penalty unless the incidental touching is repeated after a judges warning, or it is intentional.
3. OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE – the judges are generally going to be instructed to be looking very carefully at Outside assistance this year. Look at your pencil – it is your reminder! We have all been here before – you know that the kids really dig this process if it is their own work. Decide why you are here – do you want to kids to learn something about teamwork and self-reliance (skills that will help them move out of your home before they are 25), or are you in it to win.
4. Comments? Q&A