

BPAA/CRAA/CDAA Softball Code of Conduct

The BPAA/CRAA/CDAA believes good sportsmanship is the number one goal of our activities. Because of this, we as the BPAA/CRAA/CDAA believe that those who participate in the BPAA/CRAA/CDAA Softball program should follow a code of conduct that supports the goal of good sportsmanship. Coach, player or spectator intimidation of game umpires and violations of league rules will result in a game forfeiture. Umpires have authority to monitor and discipline any individual within the ballpark during the game. The decision of the umpire is final in all cases.

Sportsmanship Code

Everyone

- Treat opponents, coaches and umpires with respect.
- Respect the property of others.
- Know and follow the rules of Softball.
- Recognize and appreciate a good play no matter who makes it.

Coaches

- Know, teach, and follow the rules of Softball.
- Accept the decisions of umpires without showing inappropriate emotions.
- Avoid public displays of criticism in front of players and spectators.
- Exercise self-control at all times. This sets the example for others to follow.
- Teach and encourage good sportsmanship.

Players

- Treat opponents with respect at all times.
- Avoid improper gestures and language.
- Respect the judgments of the umpires.
- Exercise self-control at all times. This sets the example for others to follow.
- Win without boasting. Lose without excuses. **Never quit.**

Parents and Guardians and Spectators

- Respect the judgments of the umpires.
- Avoid improper gestures and language.
- Teach and encourage good sportsmanship.
- Encourage the players with positive comments.

The following will be the consequences for individuals that are ejected from a game for improper conduct, and this includes coaches, player, and spectators. A coach, player, and spectator will be given one verbal warning before being ejected from a game.

1. First offense: Coach/Player/Spectator must immediately leave the field upon ejection and they must serve a 1 game suspension for the next scheduled game.
2. Second offense: Coach/Player/Spectator must immediately leave the field upon ejection and they must serve a 3 game suspension for next scheduled games.
3. Third offense: Coach/Player/Spectator must immediately leave the field upon ejection and they will not be allowed to coach or play the remainder of the season, and it will be evaluated in the off season if they will be allowed to participate next season.

*We the BPAA/CRAA/CDAA reserve the right to bypass any portion of the consequences listed above if the severity of the infraction dictates.

I have read the above Code of Conduct. I understand the Code of Conduct and agree to follow the letter and spirit of the Code.

Player Name _____ Division Team _____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian Name (Printed) _____
Signature _____ Date _____

Coaches Name _____