



RYBSA & RAGE Players' Code of Conduct

The ability to participate in the game of baseball and softball is an opportunity, not a right. Parents/Guardians please go over this Code of Conduct with your player and signing shows you and the player have read and understand the Code of Conduct.

1. Players shall always adhere to the spirit and the letter of the playing rules established by RYBSA, WSYBL, Shoreline League, any league they may participate in RYBSA/RAGE and Tournaments.
2. Players accept the authority of all coaches and game umpires. At NO time is it appropriate to demonstrably question the decisions and actions of coaches or game umpires.
3. Players actions will never deliberately jeopardize the safety and well being of opponents, teammates, umpires, coaches or spectators.
4. Players shall always conduct themselves to maintain the highest principles, integrity and dignity of the game. The following is not tolerated
 - a. Unruly, distracting, rude, bullying or degrading behavior
 - b. Profanity in any form
 - c. Deliberately destroying property or equipment, including throwing helmets or bats

Players who fail to uphold the Code of Conduct are subject to disciplinary actions as stated below.

Disciplinary Action (3 Strike Rule)

Any warnings or removal from the game given by umpires will count toward this 3 strike rule. It is possible that a player could go through all 3 strikes in one game. Coaches have the discretion to send a player home from a game but **ONLY THE RYBSA BOARD CAN REMOVE A PLAYER FROM THE TEAM & ORGANIZATION.** A player's dismissal by the Board is the last possible resort to resolving an issue that has negatively impacted the team & organization. All paid fees are non-refundable, even if a player leaves voluntarily the families are still required to fulfill their original financial obligations.

1. The 1st occurrence results in a warning and the coaches will speak with the player and family after the game.
2. The 2nd occurrence (Strike 1) results in removal from all aspects of the game. The player will be expected to still sit on the bench with their peers. The coaches will speak with the player and family after the game. RYBSA Board will be informed by the coach of the removal.
3. The 3rd occurrence (Strike 2) results in removal from all aspects of the game as well as sitting for the next scheduled game (league or tournament). The player will be expected to still come to the game in uniform and sit on the bench with their peers. The coaches will speak with the player and family after the game. RYBSA Board must be informed immediately and a meeting will be scheduled with coaches, players and family and must occur before the next game.
4. The 4th occurrence (Strike 3) results in removal from all aspects of the game and the player will be expected to still sit on the bench with their peers, assuming the presence isn't detrimental to the team. To dismiss the player and family from the premises is the coach's discretion with using the umpire as help. The RYBSA Board must be informed immediately and will schedule a meeting with coaches, player and family to discuss the future of player in the organization and the player will not participate in any team activities until a decision has been made by the RYBSA Board.

Player Name

Player Signature & Date

Parent Name

Parent Signature & Date

RYBSA & RAGE Players' Expectations

By being a part of the RAGE organization, high expectations will be placed on our players. The coaching staff will hold every athlete to a high standard and will expect all team members to conduct themselves in a responsible manner. The following items are in place to promote the image of our program and ensure we get the best out of our players.

Overall expectations

1. Hold to the RYBSA & RAGE Players' Code of Conduct.
2. Support your teammates and other members of the RYBSA/RAGE organization.
3. Do not blame or create excuses.
4. Learn from your mistakes and the mistakes of others. Be positive with others when they make a mistake, and they will be positive back.
5. Be coachable. Listen to instructions. Ask questions when you are unsure.
6. Be willing to try new positions or techniques.
7. Put the team before yourself.

Practices

1. During the season, practices are mandatory, please communicate with at least one member of the coaching staff or any team app if you are not able to attend a scheduled practice.
2. Always practice at "game speed." Treat every opportunity like a game, control your effort.
3. Hustle on and off the field, at each station and between drills.
4. Listen while the coaching staff is talking/instructing.
5. All equipment shall be treated with respect and returned to its proper place
6. Facility will be cleaner when team leaves than what it was on arrival
7. Cell phones are turned off/silent and in player's bags

Games

1. Do not question the coaching staff during a game. Any questions can be discussed 1-on-1, productively after a game without misunderstandings. Have grace, coaches do make mistakes.
2. Players are to remain in dugout for the entirety of the game
3. Keep a positive attitude and support teammates, especially when the player is not on the field.
4. Cell phones are turned off/silent and in player's bags