



Player - Code of Conduct 2023-2024 Season

The following codes of conduct for the players are intended to promote good sportsmanship and support the overall goal of the Geneva Foxes Softball Organization. We are dedicated in providing young women with a positive “player centered” environment to learn and enjoy the game of fastpitch softball. We offer female athletes the opportunity to learn life lessons in sportsmanship, teamwork, perseverance, commitment, loyalty, self-discipline, accomplishment, competition, responsibility, and fair play. It is the requirement of the Geneva Foxes Executive Board that all spectators, participants, coaches and players abide by the following codes of conduct.

1. Always be on time for all softball related activities per the schedule determined by your coaching staff. Contact coaches (at least) 24 hours in advance should any known conflicts arise.
2. Show respect for all adults involved in the softball program: managers, coaches, umpires, and parents.
3. All jewelry (earrings, bracelets, necklaces, piercings, etc.) must be removed during games.
4. Please limit interaction with parents during the game (unless getting water/drinks for hydration).
5. “Honor the Game” by utilizing the **ROOTS** of good sportsmanship:
 - R**ules of the Game
 - O**pponents
 - O**fficials
 - T**eammates
 - S**elf
6. When teammates are up to bat, be off the bench and on the fence supporting them (exceptions may be made for pitchers / catchers during extreme temperature days).
7. Always support your teammates on & off the field. This includes verbal, non-verbal and electronic communication (social media). Any negative postings regarding a player, coach or the organization will be subject to the review of the Foxes Executive Board and will be handled accordingly.
8. Have fun playing but remember this is high level competitive play. Concentrate on playing softball and on affecting the outcome of the games with your best effort.
9. Be coachable. Ask questions if you’re unsure of any play or rule. Be willing to try new positions or new techniques. Your coaches may notice a strength you didn’t even know you had.
10. Show good sportsmanship by cheering on all good plays, whether it’s your teams or your opponent’s. Disrespect of coaches, parents, teammates and umpires will not be tolerated.
11. Under no circumstances should foul language be used.
12. Injuries will be taken seriously. It is important that players have open and honest communication with coaches regarding injuries. Playing with soreness and slight pain is parts of sports; however, playing injured is not. Your health is paramount. If you are injured, you are required to visit your doctor. A doctor’s note will be required, and the doctor’s orders will be followed by the coach. Injured players are still required to attend practices and games.

Player Signature

Date