

EXETER YOUTH BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

Parental Authorization for Protective Equipment

I/We know that participation in Exeter Youth Baseball & Softball may result in serious injuries to my/our child. In an effort to minimize the possibility of chest and torso injuries, Exeter Youth Baseball & Softball will provide each team with one or more protective vests for use while batting, base running and fielding during both practice sessions and games.

By a decision of the Exeter Youth Baseball & Softball Board of Directors, on January 6, 2020, any parent directing that his/her child player shall use the protective vest shall:

1. *Authorize the player's coach(es) to put the protective vest on the player.*
2. *The player shall continue to wear the vest until the player's at-bats, base running, or and fielding turn ends with a return to the dugout.*

To minimize mouth and jaw injuries, a batting helmet with a protective mouth guard will be available to each team for player use during games and practice sessions.

The use of the protective vest and helmets with mouth guards by individual players is to be at the discretion of the player's parent(s).

Please indicate your preference with regard to use of the above referenced protective equipment.

- Protective vest shall be used by player after outfitting by coach(es)*
- Batting Helmet with mouth guard shall be used by player.*
- Regular batting helmet may be used, protective vest not required.*

Please complete this form in its entirety, detach bottom portion and return to your child's coach **BEFORE** the first practice session. The top section of this form should be kept by the player's parent(s).

RETURN THIS PORTION TO YOUR CHILD'S COACH BEFORE FIRST PRACTICE SESSION

Player's Name _____

Team Name _____ League Level _____

Coach's Name(s) _____

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Today's Date

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian