

SAMBA PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

The essential elements of character building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles; Trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and good citizenship.

- 1) I will not force my child to participate in sports.
- 2) I will make sure my child wears his/her personal protective (jock/jill) to every practice/game.
- 3) I (or guests) will not coach from the sidelines or make comments of any type to the umpires. This hurts and damages the reputation of our organization and sets bad examples for our players. Such actions will not be tolerated.
- 4) Parents (or guests), are not permitted in the dugout and are not permitted to hang out near the dugout during games. This is distracting to the players. We are trying to instill an environment where all of the players are focused on the game and supporting their teammates.
- 5) Address all coaching decisions and/feedback with the Head Coach needs to be on a one-on-one basis. Parents, partners or guests, should refrain from second guessing coaches decisions in front of players, parents, umpires or other teams at any time.
- 6) Understand that practices and games may need to be cancelled or rescheduled at the last minute due to bad weather or other situations out of our control. We do not like to make last minute changes, but understand that we have to react to the weather conditions, poor field conditions, and the opposing team's ability to play. We will do everything to provide the timeliest notifications as possible.
- 7) I (and my guests) will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
- 8) I (and my guests) will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
- 9) I (and my guests) will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.
- 10) I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.
- 11) I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures. Noise makers are not permitted on the field or sidelines.
- 12) I (or my guests) will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and wellbeing of the athletes.
- 13) I (or my guests) will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- 14) I will demand that my child and guests treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of culture, creed, colour, sex or ability.
- 15) I will teach my child that doing one's best is winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
- 16) I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.
- 17) I (or my guest) will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participant for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- 18) I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my child over winning.
- 19) I (and my guest) will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.

- 20) I (or my guest) will not engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach, parent, player, participant, official or any other attendee.
- 21) I (or my guest) will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.
- 22) I (and my guest) will respect and show appreciation for the trained volunteer coaches who give their time to provide sport activities for my child, understand that I have a responsibility to be a part of my child's development.

Please make sure your child is available for all practices and games. If you know you will be away, let the coach know in time to enable him/her to re-organize.

Also, your child is your responsibility. SAMBA encourages you or a guardian, (for blast ball, Tadpole and Mosquito divisions), is at the field during practices and at games at all times. The coaches are not responsible for looking after your children; they will not wait at the field for you to pick up your child from games and practices.

Rule 15 Manager, Coach, Player, and Parent – Code of Conduct

15.01 B.C. Minor Code of Conduct

B.C. Minor is committed to providing an environment in which all individuals are treated with respect. Furthermore, B C Minor Baseball supports equal opportunity and prohibits discriminatory practices. Members are expected to conduct themselves at all times in a manner consistent with the values of B.C. Minor Baseball. Members may be subject to sanctions according to B.C. Minor Baseball Discipline Policy for engaging in any of the following behavior:

- a) not complying with the rules, regulations or policies of B.C. Minor Baseball, as adopted and amended from time to time;
- b) deliberately disregarding the Rules of Baseball as amended from time to time;
- c) verbally or physically abusing an opponent, officials, umpires, spectators, or sponsors;
- d) showing disrespect to officials, including the use of foul language and obscene or offensive gestures;
- e) abusing playing equipment or playing area;
- f) failing to comply with the conditions of entry of an event including any rules with regard to eligibility or advertising;
- g) using tobacco products on-field at any B.C. Minor baseball sanctioned competition;
- h) any other unreasonable conduct which brings the game into disrepute, including but not limited to, abusive use of alcohol, non-medical use of drugs, use of alcohol by minors.

I also agree that if I fail or my guest(s) to abide by the above rules and guidelines, I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to the following:

- a. Verbal warning by official, head coach, and/or SAMBA executive.
- b. Written warning.
- c. Player game suspension with written documentation of incident kept on file by organizations involved.
- d. Game forfeit through the official or head coach
- e. Player season suspension.

Disciplinary Process is Subject to Board Discretion

By signing this form you are agreeing to the above Code of Conduct and the consequences of not following it. Please sign below and return this portion to your team manager.

Parent Name (Please print)

Parent Signature

Parent Name (Please print)

Parent Signature

Division Level

Date

