



## **PRYAA SOFTBALL CODE OF CONDUCT**

### **CODE OF CONDUCT (including, but not limited to, the following)**

The following general rules apply to **ALL** participants and spectators in the confines of the park and will be enforced by the PRYAA Softball Board and local law enforcement as necessary. Violators of this Code of Conduct are subject to game suspensions, probation, and/or removal from the park. Repeated violations of this Code of Conduct may result in permanent suspension from Peachtree Ridge Youth Athletic Association and its functions. The power to permanently suspend and/or reinstate an individual rests exclusively with a majority vote of the sport's Board of Directors.

1. Display good sportsmanship.
2. Promote the ideals of the Peachtree Ridge Youth Athletic Association.
3. Encourage all players to be the best they can be.
4. Show deference and respect to umpires.
5. Refrain from physical, verbal, or cyber bullying.
6. Refrain from physical altercations.
7. Refrain from verbal altercations.
8. Refrain from the use of profanity, abusive, harassing, or threatening language and gestures.
9. Refrain from consuming any controlled substance to include alcohol, drugs, and all tobacco products within the park.

### **Coaches/Assistant Coaches Code of Conduct**

- I will place the emotional and physical well being of my players ahead of my personal desire to win.
  - I will treat each child as an individual, remembering the large range of emotional and physical development for the same age group.
  - I will provide a safe playing situation for my players.
  - I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my players.
  - I will avoid coaching styles that humiliate and degrade self-esteem.
  - I will be knowledgeable of the rules and techniques of my sport and I will teach these to my players.
  - I will remember that I am a youth sports coach, and that the game is for children and not adults.
  - I will respect league officials and volunteers and follow PRYAA rules.
  - I will coach for the love of the game and the love of the athlete.
  - I will reward effort and behavior and not outcome.
  - I will keep the game simple and fun.
  - I will put the needs of the team ahead of any individual.
  - I will lead by character and by example.
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- First offense: If player or coach, 1 game suspension (in addition to the game in which the party was ejected from). If parent or family member, you will be asked to leave the facility and not return for the next game.
  - Second offense: If player or coach, 2 game suspension (in addition to the game in which the party was ejected from). If parent or family member, you will be asked to leave the facility and not return for the next two games.
  - Third offense: If player or coach, you will be suspended for the rest of the season and NO REFUNDS will be given. If parent or family member, you will be asked to leave the facility and not return for the rest of the season