

AMATEUR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION - NOTICE OF BACKGROUND CHECK AND CONSENT

IMPORTANT –PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING BELOW

The Amateur Softball Association of America and/or its local associations (collectively, “ASA”) are volunteer driven not-for-profit organizations. One of ASA’s objectives is to promote proper safeguards in accordance with the spirit of true sportsmanship and establish principles for ethical behavior in the sport of softball. You are already working with ASA or you have expressed an interest in becoming a volunteer with ASA. Consistent with promoting wholesome and safe competition, ASA may perform criminal background and/or motor vehicle record (or “driving record”) checks on you pursuant to your written consent and instructions below. Accordingly, ASA may obtain reports on your criminal background and/or driving history from a “consumer reporting agency.” The report may include information gathered from county, federal, statewide or other record searches, as guided by personal identifier information obtained through a Social Security Number trace, name address or other information. You may refuse to provide your consent to a background check, however, your refusal may affect your ability to participate in ASA programs. NOTE: Conducting a Social Security Trace does NOT access the subject’s credit history nor affects the subject’s credit score or credit rating. ASA has contracted with LexisNexis, a consumer reporting agency, to provide the consumer reports. LexisNexis may be contacted by mail at LexisNexis, P.O. Box 105108, Atlanta, GA, 30348, by telephone at 800-845-6004 or through the internet at <http://www.lexisnexis.com/> and/or <http://personalreports.lexisnexis.com/>

The consumer reports may contain information bearing on your character, general reputation, personal characteristics, and mode of living. Please note that ASA does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin or ancestry. The types of information that may be obtained include but are not limited to social security number verification, sex offender registry checks, criminal records checks, inmate records searches, motor vehicle records, and court records checks. The information contained in these consumer reports may be obtained by LexisNexis from public record sources. The consumer reports will not include credit record checks. The nature and scope of the consumer reports are described above. Nonetheless, you are entitled to request a complete and accurate disclosure of the nature and scope of such reports by submitting a written request to LexisNexis at the address listed above. Additional notices for applicants in California, New York, Minnesota, Maine, and Oklahoma are attached to this form.

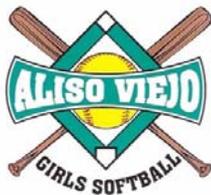
By signing below you are authorizing and instructing ASA to immediately obtain criminal background and driving record reports from a third party (utilizing a social security number trace or other information such as your name, address or driver’s license number) as ASA deems necessary and appropriate. Moreover, you are allowing and instructing ASA to obtain those reports from a third party on an ongoing basis without any additional notice or consent for as long as you are a volunteer or otherwise associated with ASA. You may revoke this consent at any time by providing ASA with a written notice of revocation.

AUTHORIZATION, CONSENT AND INSTRUCTION

I acknowledge receipt of the Notice of Background Check and certify that I have read and understand that notice. I hereby voluntarily consent to ASA obtaining a background check on me and I authorize and instruct ASA to obtain criminal background and/or driving record reports from a third party (utilizing a social security number trace or other information such as my name, address or driver’s license number) as ASA deems necessary and appropriate. This authorization and instruction will take immediate effect when I sign below, and will last throughout the duration of my involvement with ASA. Accordingly, ASA may obtain additional criminal background and/or driving record reports from a third party on an ongoing basis (i.e. annually or semi-annually) throughout my association with ASA without any further notice or additional warning. To this end, I hereby authorize without reservation any law enforcement agency, administrator, local, state or federal agency, information service bureau and/or the Social Security Administration to furnish any and all background information (including criminal history and/or driving records but not credit history) requested by any third party "consumer reporting agency", another outside organization acting on behalf of ASA, and/or ASA itself. I understand that if ASA makes a preliminary determination not to accept my application or to revoke my affiliation based on information contained in a consumer report, I will be notified and provided an opportunity to respond. I agree that a facsimile (“fax”) or photographic copy of this Authorization and Instruction shall be as valid as the original.

Include a Legible Photo Copy of your Driver’s License Attached to this document.

Printed Name (Full Legal name) Last, Middle, First		Date of Birth	Aliases or Former Names used in past ten years	
Signature	Date	ASA ID card Member #	Email address	Phone Number
Current Residence, Street Address		Driver’s License # & State	Prior Residence (in last 5 years), Street Address	
Current Residence, City, State & Zip Code		Desired Position w/ ASA	Prior Residence (in last 5 years), City, State, & Zip	



**Aliso Viejo Girls Softball
Manager/Coach Code of Conduct**

All coaches are required to sign the following Code of Conduct in order to coach in the recreational league of AVGS.

- I understand that I am coaching recreational softball and acknowledge that positive development of the children I coach and sportsmanship is the highest priority;
- I will treat each child as an individual, remember the large range of emotional and physical development for the same age group;
- I will place the emotional and physical well being of my players ahead of a personal desire to win;
- I agree to set a high moral and ethical example for the children I coach, including but not limited to demonstrating fair play and good sportsmanship;
- I will educate myself and be knowledgeable in the rules of softball and I will teach these rules to my players;
- I agree to honor and uphold the rules of AVGS and decisions of the AVGS Board;
- I agree and understand that the umpire has final discretionary control over the game and agree to refrain from dissent or verbal or physical assaults;
- I agree that I am responsible for and will control myself, assistant coaches, parents and observers of the game from my team and treat opposing coaches, players, umpires, and parents with courtesy and respect;
- I understand that I may be ejected from the game/park for dissent with the umpire, opposing coaches, families, or any other personnel on the playing field or at the park;
- I agree that all disputes with other coaches and umpires will be resolved through the AVGS Board;
- I understand that all grievances and disputes must be written and delivered to the AVGS Board to be considered;
- I understand that I may be removed as a coach by the AVGS Board for repeat violations of this Code of Conduct or any rule of the league or tournaments;
- I agree and understand that my team will only wear the official uniform and safety equipment determined by the AVGS Board for all games and I will do my best to provide a safe playing situation for all players;
- I will be responsible for the care, treatment and return of all AVGS property, fields and equipment and will return said equipment to the Equipment Manager in a timely manner;
- I will communicate often and effectively with the players and parents;
- I will demand a sports environment that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, profane language or vulgar gestures and will refrain from their use at all softball events;
- I understand that my failure to comply with this code of conduct may result in censure, discipline, suspension or termination of my volunteer commitment.

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

** This will be effective for one year from the date signed.