

HRBBA Code of Conduct

Parents

Effective Date: September 2025 - March 2026

By registering to participate in HRBBA, you and your family members agree to abide by the rules set forth in this document during games, practices and other HRBBA events. Parents and guardians of HRBBA players are expected to be accountable for not only their actions and their player's actions, but also of visiting family members and friends.

1. I will encourage good sportsmanship by **demonstrating positive support** for all players, coaches, contest administrators and officials.
2. I will place the emotional and physical **well being of the athletes** ahead of my personal desire to win.
3. I will demand a sports environment that is **free from drugs, tobacco and alcohol** and will refrain from their use.
4. I will remember that **the game is for the kids** - not the adults.
5. I will do my best to make sure that youth sports are a **FUN and POSITIVE** experience.
6. I will treat other players, coaches, fans, volunteers and officials with **respect**, regardless of race, sex, creed or ability.
7. I will **not berate the officials** leading to being removed from a game.
8. I will **not undermine the coaches' instructions or directions**.
9. I will **not use profanity**.
10. I will **communicate my concerns** through the proper channels in a dignified manner. (i.e. son, coach, HRBBA board member).

Role of Coaching Staff (according to [MYAS policies](#)):

1. I understand that my player's coach can do whatever is necessary to keep players, parents and fans under control.
2. I understand that my player's coach can address any players, parents or fans who are exhibiting any sort of disrespect or unsportsmanlike conduct at their first opportunity.
3. I understand that my player's coach can assist the officials, tournament administrators or host representatives in removing any "out-of-control" players, coaches, parents or fans from the facility.
4. I understand that my player's coach is empowered to report Code of Conduct violations that they are not able to resolve on their own, including instances when an HRBBA player, coach, parent or fan is ejected from a game, to the HRBBA President, tournament director or MYAS as necessary.

Disciplinary Action from the HRBBA Board

The HRBBA board and Executive Committee are dedicated to eliminating unsportsmanlike conduct within our program.

Should unsportsmanlike behavior happen, the HRBBA Executive Committee will consider the following protocol:

- **1st occurrence:** Parent receives a warning and automatically agrees to remedy the behavior.
- **2nd occurrence:** Parent, and possibly player, suspension from two weeks of all HRBBA activities, including observing practices and attending tournaments.

- **3rd occurrence:** Player or players (if multiple siblings are registered) will be dismissed from the program for a minimum of the remainder of the 2024-25 season with no refund of registration fees and will forfeit their volunteer deposit; approval to join in future seasons will be made at the sole discretion of the HRBBA Board.

NOTE: The severity of the unsportsmanlike act will determine the severity of the resulting disciplinary action. Possible disciplinary actions may include but are not limited to censure, disqualification, suspension for a definite or indefinite period of time, or expulsion from any or all HRBBA-sponsored programs. For example, violations that result in an ejection from a game may qualify as multiple occurrences and result in temporary or permanent banishment from HRBBA activities, or, in severe cases, the player could be removed from the team.

If the Hopkins Royal Rumble tournament falls within the 2-week suspension time frame, the parent is still responsible for the full volunteer hours. Not fulfilling volunteer shifts will result in the forfeiture of the deposit check provided at registration.

If disciplinary actions are determined by the HRBBA Executive Committee, they will be communicated through email and HRBBA will assume the provided email at registration delivers this message without receipt or response from the parent and guardian.