



# MILLARD UNITED SPORTS

## MANDATORY FACE PROTECTION POLICY

POLICY REQUIREMENTS FOR SOFTBALL & BASEBALL DIVISIONS

### **COMPETITIVE BASEBALL**

Millard United Sports makes every effort to ensure player safety while participating in our baseball and softball programs. Although baseball and softball are statistically very safe sports, facial injuries to batters and baserunners can be particularly devastating when they occur. All Millard United Sports baseball and softball players must wear a full-face mask batting helmet while on deck, at-bat or in the field as a baserunner, in all practices and games. Millard United Sports will not be held responsible for injuries resulting from a player wearing an unapproved helmet in violation of this guidance.

Parents/Guardians of Baseball and Softball Players who do not abide by the Mandatory Face Protection Policy will assume all risks and hazards inherent in allowing your child to wear a batting helmet that does not include a full cage face mask as required by the MUS Mandatory Face Protection Policy in his/her participation in the Program. Parents/Guardians are solely responsible for, and will bear any and all costs and expenses of, any injury your child sustains and any medical attention and/or rescue services provided to your child or any other child in connection with, or arising from, your child's use of a batting helmet that does not include a full cage face mask as required by the MUS Mandatory Face Protection Policy in his/her participation in the Program.

***Parents/Guardians of 9U-14U Competitive Baseball Players who allow their child to wear an unapproved batting helmet must complete a WAIVER OF LIABILITY, RELEASE, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY each season and submit the form to their coach prior to participating in practices or games.***

### **Disciplinary Rule Applicable to the Millard United Sports Mandatory Face Protection Policy**

Any 7U-8U Competitive Baseball player who violates any Millard United safety rule by failing to wear a batting helmet that does not meet the MUS Mandatory Face Protection Policy guidelines while on deck, at-bat or in the field as a baserunner, in any practice/game, shall be removed from the practice/game by the coach until a batting helmet meeting the requirements of the MUS Mandatory Face Protection Policy is used.

Any 9U-14U Competitive Baseball player who violates any Millard United safety rule by failing to wear a batting helmet that does not meet the MUS Mandatory Face Protection Policy guidelines while on deck, at-bat or in the field as a baserunner, in any practice/game prior to completing a waiver, shall be removed from the practice/game by the coach until a batting helmet meeting the requirements of the MUS Mandatory Face Protection Policy is used or the *WAIVER OF LIABILITY, RELEASE, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY* is completed.

Any team intentionally allowing a player to wear a batting helmet that does not meet the MUS Mandatory Face Protection Policy while on deck, at-bat or in the field as a baserunner in practices or games will face disciplinary action.

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