

## CLOVERDALE MINOR BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

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## **Tournament Coaches' Code of Conduct**

Coaches are responsible for their own behavior as well as that of their players, staff, and spectators. Please review this **Code of Conduct** below with your entire coaching staff.

As a Coach visiting Cloverdale Minor Baseball Association, I confirm that:

- I will abide by the Association's rules and regulations.
- I will actively uphold the rules of baseball, the spirit of the rules of baseball, and expect my players to do the same.
- I will ensure that all players on my team are treated fairly and equitably, and decisions on issues such as positions played, and other assignments are unbiased.
- I will not under any circumstances, endorse, recommend or suggest the use of performance enhancing drugs or supplements by any player.
- I will ensure no player on my team, or the opposing team is discriminated against for any reason, including race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, family status, physical or mental disability, gender or sexual orientation.
- I will work to ensure the environment surrounding my team and the opposing team is free of harassment and/or bullying. Harassment and bullying take many forms but can generally be defined as behaviors, including comments and/or conduct, that are insulting, intimidating, humiliating, hurtful, malicious, degrading or otherwise offensive to an individual or group of individuals or which creates an uncomfortable environment.
- I will ensure my players act in ways that contribute to a safe environment, and through my actions I will model the behaviour I wish them to emulate. I will require that members of my team resolve conflicts in a mature, professional manner.
- I will follow the pitch count guidelines for the age of the players as set by BC Minor and Cloverdale Minor Baseball when coaching both in BC Minor sanctioned and non-sanctioned games for the long-term health and wellness of the players
- I will not use foul, profane, harassing or offensive language or gestures in the conduct of coaching duties and will never use physical force in any kind in the conduct of coaching duties.
- I will encourage open communication between coaches, players and parents.
- I will refrain from making negative comments to the umpires, remembering that many of them are learning the game as well.
- I will treat opponents and officials with proper respect, showing humility in victory and grace in defeat, and I will encourage my players to do the same.
- I understand that if I fail to comply with these rules, I may be subject to discipline and possibly required to withdraw from Cloverdale Minor Baseball tournament and barred from participating in future tournaments.
- I will abstain from the use of tobacco products and alcohol while in the presence of players and discourage their use by players. Umpires will immediately eject a player or coach from the game should either of these violations occur. [Note: can(s) of chewing tobacco are not to be on the playing field or kept in the back pocket of your baseball pants or in the equipment bags of players.]



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- I agree to abstain from drinking alcoholic beverages and the use of any illegal substances near the fields or spectator areas of the CMBA.
- I will abide by the BC Minor rules relating to cell phone use on the field. I will not use my cell phone on the field of play, but I may use it in the dugout or outside the fence.

For any concerns that arise, or feedback you wish to share, please speak directly with the Tournament Coordinator or you can email: <u>Tournaments@cloverdalebaseball.com</u>

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## Detach this section and return it to the Tournament Director:

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\_\_\_\_\_ confirm that I have read and reviewed the *Tournament Coach's Code of* 

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*Conduct* with my coaching staff and I agree to uphold myself and my coaching staff in attendance to this standard.

(signature)

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(organization)