



## Coaches - Code of Conduct

### **Coaches Code of Conduct:**

The player/coach is a privileged relationship. Coaches play a critical role in the personal and athletic development of their players. They must recognize and respect the inherent power imbalance that exists in this relationship and must be extremely careful not to abuse it. A coach must not exploit this privileged relationship with players for personal, ideological, material or other advantage. Coaches must also recognize that they are conduits through which the values and goals of Cloverdale Minor Baseball Association are channeled.

As a coach in the Cloverdale Minor Baseball Association, I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care and encouragement for each player participating in our team by following this Code of Conduct:

- I will abide and enforce the Associations' **Bullying & Harassment** guidelines and all policies and procedures.
- I will fulfill all league, exhibition, invitational, play-off and championship competition and event obligations in accordance with the expectations of the Cloverdale Minor Baseball Association and ensure that all commitments are honored (when applicable).
- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players and coaches (including those of an opposing team). This applies to every game, practice or any other event involving the team including making sure positions played and other assignments are unbiased.
- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all umpires, league officials and parents at every game or event.
- I will ask my players to treat all other players, coaches, umpires, league officials and parents with respect.
- I promise to help my players enjoy the baseball season by being respectful to all players, coaches, umpires, league officials and parents.
- I will place the emotional and physical well being of all children on all teams ahead of any personal desire to win. I will place a player's future health and well-being foremost when deciding on an injured player's ability to continue playing or training. I will consult with the parents and may ask for clearance from a medical authority if I have any concerns.
- I will insist that my players are in a safe and healthy environment.
- I will not under any circumstances, endorse, recommend, or suggest the use of performance enhancing drugs or supplements by any player.

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Coach Initials



- I will remember that baseball is for the players and not for parents/coaches/spectators.
- I will do all I can to make the game fun and safe for all the players involved.
- I will ensure that field prep/teardown and other duties are carried out in accordance with Association policy.
- I will encourage open communication between coaches, players, and parents.
- I will abstain from the use of tobacco products, cannabis, and alcohol while in the presence of players and discourage the 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.]*
- 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
- I will strive to improve my coaching skills through the coaching development resources offered by Cloverdale Minor Baseball, BC Baseball, and any other resources.
- 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.

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Team name and division

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Coach's Name

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Date

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Signature