



Bashaw Minor Ball **Coach's Code of Conduct**

The intention of this Coach's Code of Conduct is to promote respect, responsibility, fairness, and good citizenship for participants of Bashaw Minor Ball (BMB). As a Coach participating in BMB I agree to abide by the following Code of Conduct. I understand that breaching this Code could result in BMB enforcing a penalty. This penalty can be as severe as suspension for the remainder of the season.

I will:

- support my players while they play softball/baseball by the rules and in the spirit of the game, representing BMB in a positive manner by conducting myself in a respectful way, including great sportsmanship;
- remember that winning isn't everything – striving for player improvement, making friends, having fun, and players doing their best are also very important;
- organize practices that are fun and challenging for the players;
- familiarize myself with the rules, techniques, and strategies of softball/baseball and encourage playing as a team;
- set attainable goals for the team and each player while encouraging safety and fun;
- be generous with praise when it is deserved and use constructive criticism, remembering that children play to have fun and must be encouraged to have confidence in themselves and improve their skills;
- communicate with players, parents and volunteers in an honest, fair, respectful and calm manner, using appropriate language, making ethical and respectful decisions;
- respect and accept decisions, judgment and authority of the umpires, officials and timekeepers, avoiding confrontational behavior on the field;
- encourage our team to respect facilities and equipment that they are privileged to use, while ensuring it's safety;
- be responsible with the use of technology and engagement with social media including responsible cell phone use;
- lead by example, respect the rules of the game and be accountable for the behavior of my team, as we are proud representatives of BMB;
- be a positive role model to all players with emotional maturity;
- support all players with positive encouragement on and off the field, to make this a positive experience for them and their families, knowing that a coach's influence is not limited to athletic skills but life skills as well;

I agree to abide by the above Code of Conduct and the policies, rules, requirements and decisions of the BMB Association.

By signing below I understand that if I am found in violation of this Contract that disciplinary action will be taken against me, as decided by the BMB Executive Board.

Coach Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____