**Coaches Code of Conduct**

As a coach, I hereby agree to abide by the following Code of Conduct.

1. I will abide by the rules set forth by the Lacombe Minor Baseball Association and Baseball Alberta.
2. As a coach, I understand that I represent my players, the players' parents/guardians and the Lacombe Minor Baseball Association in the way I conduct myself.

1. I will display respect and be supportive of players on all teams. I will not ridicule or yell at players for making mistakes or performing poorly. I will remember that players participate in sports to have fun and to learn new skills. I will act as a positive role model.
2. I will refrain from language that is offensive. I will not use derogatory language related to race, gender or sexual orientation.
3. I will not engage in any behaviour that will endanger the health, safety or well-being of any coach, parent/guardian, player, umpire, or any other participant.
4. I will refrain from the use of alcohol, tobacco, vaping and drugs, before, or while coaching and/or participating in a Lacombe Minor Baseball Association event.
5. I will ensure I have the proper coaching certifications for the division in which I am registered to coach.

1. I will complete the required Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Sector Check in the time frames specified by the association.
2. I will check equipment and facilities that I use to ensure they meet safety standards and are appropriate for the age and ability of my players.
3. I will be responsible for the equipment in my possession throughout the season. At the conclusion of the season, I will ensure that all equipment and uniforms are promptly returned to the association.

1. When asked to discuss parent/guardian concerns I will speak respectfully to these individuals. Should the matter remain unresolved, I may contact the Division Director for further guidance.
2. I will show respect for umpire decisions, judgment, and authority. Should I need to address the umpire I will do so by using the appropriate methods of appeal during the game and avoiding aggressive behaviour. I will not belittle, yell, complain or blame the umpires for the result of the game. I will never confront an umpire after a game.
3. I will not publicly post anything harmful or slanderous on social media regarding any umpire, parent/guardian, player, or volunteer participating in Lacombe Minor Baseball Association events.
4. I accept responsibility for the conduct and behavior of my guests while attending games, practices or events. I acknowledge that I may be subject to disciplinary action for the conduct and behavior of a guest that is contrary to the above expectations.

**I acknowledge I have read and will comply with this Coaches Code of Conduct. I accept responsibility for my actions and understand I may be subject to Lacombe Minor Baseball Association disciplinary action should I fail to comply.**

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Printed Name of Coach Division and Team

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Signature of Coach Date