



Macdonald Minor Baseball Association

COACH'S CODE OF CONDUCT

It is the intention of this code of conduct to promote fair play and respect for all participants within the **MMBA**. All coaches are to review this guideline and sign the document if in agreement. Coaches who decide not to sign this document are required to address their concerns with their Division Convenor. This document must be signed prior to any coach assuming their coaching responsibilities. The intent of the coach's code of conduct is to guide and influence coach behaviour and to identify what the **MMBA** has determined to be expected and acceptable behaviour.

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1. To be reasonable when scheduling practices remembering that young athletes have other interests and obligations.
2. To teach my athletes to play fairly and to respect the rules, officials, opponents and team mates.
3. To treat my young athletes with the respect with which I should expect to be treated.
4. To ensure *all* athletes receive equal instruction and support, appropriate and fair playing time, in accordance with the **MMBA Coach's Fair Play Policy for Players (where implemented)**.
5. Not to ridicule or yell at any players, game officials or other team officials for making (perceived) mistakes or for poor performance.
6. To remember that children play to have fun and I will create an environment where they will develop self-confidence, trust, and respect.
7. Not to question the game official's judgment or honesty in public.
8. To make sure that equipment and facilities are safe and match the athlete's ages and ability.
9. To remember that children need a coach they can respect. I will be generous with praise and I will set a good example.
10. To abide by the **MMBA "24-Hour Rule"**.
11. To obtain proper training and continue to upgrade coaching skills.

I have reviewed the Coach's Code of Conduct and I commit to adhering to it and to sharing this conduct code with the parents and players of my team.

I agree to receive any educational resources or learning opportunities as deemed appropriate by the SJAMHA.

I also agree to abide by the rules, regulations and decisions as **set by the MMBA, the WMBA & MBA**.

PRINT NAME _____

TEAM _____

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

*MMBA "24-Hour Rule" – If any person(s) determine that any concerns, events, methodologies, or conduct requires to be brought forward for attention, then that person(s) is to wait 24 hours after the event prior to initiating the contact. This "24-Hour Rule" allows for emotions to be set aside, placing the event in perspective, and enabling the opportunity for an objective evaluation and approach. The recipient of the information is then allowed 24 hours to respond, for the same purposes.