



Policy Name:	Player Code of Conduct Policy
Effective Date:	MARCH 01, 2024
Approved by:	SPMB BOARD

It is the goal of the St. Paul Minor Ball (SPMB) to provide a positive and constructive environment for all participants while helping to develop the skills of strong character, courage and loyalty within our community. Baseball and softball are team sports and each player is an important component in the success of the team. As a player the responsibility rests with you to be willing to learn the many difficult skills of baseball and softball, play hard, respect your coaches, respect the decision of the umpire, and be committed to your team for the entire season. As a player, your adherence to this code will promote fair play, discipline and sportsmanship for the good of SPMB.

As a Player of St. Paul Minor Ball, I agree to the following Code of Conduct:

- I will attend every practice and game that is reasonably possible and notify my coach if I cannot attend. I will be on time for practice and games.
- I will do my very best to listen and learn from my coaches. I will give my best effort at all times, exhibited by hustle (running on and off the field) and a positive attitude, whether in warm-ups, practices, or games, whether winning or losing.
- I will do my best at school and not let baseball/softball interfere with my grades.
- I will always remember that baseball and softball is a game and is meant to be fun. I will control my temper and use my energy for playing better baseball or softball. I understand that if I intentionally throw my bat, helmet, glove or any piece of equipment that I will be subject to ejection from the game at the discretion of the umpire.
- I will be supportive of my coaches and my teammates at all times, by offering positive comments and refraining from making negative comments, or placing blame. I will remember every player makes errors and has off days. I will never ridicule opponents or teammates.
- I will play by the rules of the game. I will play hard but in a safe and responsible manner. I will not intentionally endanger another player in any way. I will avoid inappropriate behavior, including the use of profanity or other inappropriate language, during practices, games and other team activities

- I will bring a strong desire to win, but also the ability to handle defeat. I will be humble in victory, gracious in defeat.
- I will encourage good sportsmanship from fellow players, coaches, umpires and fans at every game and practice. I will not trash talk, taunt, or root against the opposing team. I will refrain from outbursts against the umpire and shall let the coach handle all umpire issues.
- I will help maintain order and cleanliness of the team dugout, by picking up any loose equipment and refraining from any horseplay. I will help to ensure that we leave the dugout neater than we found it.
- I will come to practices and games with proper equipment (mandatory protective equipment including Helmet, Jock Strap c/w Cup/Jill Strap, Cleats or Good Runners, Uniform, Practice Wear, Water Bottle, etc.) I will treat personal and team equipment with respect at all times, placing items in the proper place and position in the dugout.
- I will encourage my parents to be involved in my team in some capacity because it is important to me.

Player Name: _____

Player Signature: _____