



## Westman Magic Player and Parent Code of Conduct

The Westman Magic Softball Association requires that all athletes and parents/guardians sign the following code of conduct.

The reason for this code is to preserve the integrity of the athlete, the coaches, the opponents, umpires, and the program.

### **As a parent I therefore agree:**

- I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
- I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
- I (and my guests) will be a positive role model(s) for my child & encourage sportsmanship by showing respect & courtesy for all players, coaches, officials, & spectators at every game, practice, tournament, or event.
- I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing or taunting or using profane language or gestures.
- I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well-being of any athletes.
- I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- I will demand my child treat other players, coaches, officials & spectators with respect
- I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participant for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my child over winning.
- I will promote the well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
- I will demand that my child, while under the supervision of the Westman Magic program is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol.
- I will respect the officials and their authority during games
- I will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at a tournament or game and will take the time if needed, to speak with the coach at an agreed upon time and place.
- I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices unless I am the official coach.
- I understand that softball is a team sport and that the position my child plays is up to the coach's discretion for the betterment of the team.



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\*I understand that playing time will be afforded to all players, but not necessarily in equal proportions. Playing time is the sole decision of the coach and may be influenced by attendance, tardiness, discipline, and ultimately by ability under or in pressure situations. I understand that by accepting a position on one of the Westman Magic teams that my child is entitled to train and practice as a Westman Magic athlete. Playing time, however, is earned and is based on many factors including attendance, work ethic, attitude, and game preparedness.

\*I understand that if my daughter is to leave the team at any point that there will be no refund of any team fees, regardless of when that decision is made.

### **As an athlete I therefore agree:**

-I will show sportsmanship and respect toward all opponents, teammates, spectators, officials, coaches, and parents.

-I will refrain from any physical action that may endanger the safety and well-being of any person I encounter while participating with Westman Magic

-I will refrain from any verbal action that may diminish the integrity of the program or an individual. I will verbally support all athletes and parents of the Magic program, as well as the players and parents from other programs.

-I agree to uphold all laws and regulations as dictated by local, Provincial, and Federal governments (i.e., underage drinking, smoking, assault, shoplifting etc.) while under the supervision of the Westman Magic organization.

-I will adhere to any training requirements as established by the coaching staff.

-I agree to respect the property of others (teammates, hotels, gyms, etc.) and to pay for any losses and/or damages that I am found responsible for.

-I agree to abide by curfew rules set for the athletes for any overnight trips. Curfew rules include quiet, non-talking rooms at the appointed time. Parents must also agree not to interrupt the sleep of the athletes by knocking on their doors or calling their rooms after the appointed lights out time unless it is an emergency.

-I understand that on any trip or at any tournament, I am under the direct responsibility and authority of the Westman Magic coaching staff and will follow and abide by all reasonable rules and decisions made by these persons.

-I, as a player, agree not to be in the possession of or utilize illegal drugs, tobacco and/or alcohol while under the supervision of Westman Magic. I also agree not to be found in the presence of such substances being used by other youth or I will be found equally at fault. Supervision includes practice, tournaments, and overnight trips.



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### SOCIAL MEDIA PARENT & ATHLETE POLICIES

As representatives of the Westman Magic Softball Association, parents & athletes should remember that they are held to a high standard of behavior. They are not only representing themselves and their team, but also the Westman Magic program. This includes any activities conducted on any social networking websites or any other online sites. While we support and encourage individuals' freedom of expression, we are concerned about your safety and the well-being of all our athletes. Westman Magic understands the popularity and usefulness of social media networking sites such as Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, You Tube, Snap Chat, Tik Tok etc. and supports their use by parents & athletes provided that:

1. No offensive or inappropriate pictures or comments are posted.
2. Any information placed on these outlets does not violate Westman Magic Athlete Codes of Conduct.
3. Athletes could face discipline and even dismissal for violations of Westman Magic Policies.

I as an athlete agree that if I fail to abide by the above Code of Conduct, I will be subject to disciplinary action that could include, but is not limited to the following:

-Verbal warning or written warning by the official, coach, tournament director or representative of the Westman Magic program.

-Game and or Practice suspension from the team

-Tournament suspension for one or more tournaments -Suspension from the team, season or program

\*There is no financial reimbursement for any violation of this policy that results in dismissal from the program.

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