



North Glen Sports Club

Code of Conduct for Parent, Guardian, Player

Parent/ Guardian

We, the North Glen Sports Club and NCCGSL Leagues, have implemented the following Sport Parent Code of Conduct for the important message it holds about the proper role of parents in supporting their child in sports. Parents should read, understand this prior to their children participating in our league.

Any parent guilty of improper conduct at any game or practice will be asked to leave the sports facility and be suspended from the following game. Repeat violations may cause a multiple game suspension, or the season forfeiture of the privilege of attending all games.

Preamble

The essential elements of character-building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles: • Trustworthiness, • Respect, • Responsibility, • Fairness, • Caring, and • Good Citizenship. The highest potential of sports is achieved when competition reflects these “six pillars of character.”

I therefore agree:

1. I will not force my child to participate in sports.
2. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
3. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
4. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.
5. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.

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6. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
7. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well-being of the athletes.
8. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
9. I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
10. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
11. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard, and make my child feel like a winner every time.
12. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.
13. I will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my child over winning. I will also de-emphasize games and competition in the lower age groups.
14. I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
15. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
16. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.
17. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.

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In order to participate in the North Glen Sports Club and NCCGSL, this form must be signed and dated prior to the start of the season. Failure of the Player/Parent to read and sign this Code of Conduct will automatically render him/her ineligible to participate in any official capacity with the team and league. In addition, by signing this Code of Conduct pledge, Player/Parent agree to abide by the guidelines set forth above, and to conduct themselves in an appropriate manner. Failure to abide by this Code of Conduct, or violation of any of the guidelines set forth above, will automatically render the Player/Parents unable to participate or attend any league sponsored event either home or away. North Glen Sports Club and NCCGSL Softball Board of Directors has the sole right to enforce any violations made.

Player

Player's Code of Conduct

1. I will participate because I want to, not just because my parents or coaches want me to.
2. I will play by the rules, and in the spirit of the game. I will not boo, heckle, berate, or criticize coaches, players or umpires at any time.
3. I will control my temper - fighting and "mouthing off" can spoil the activity for everybody. I agree not to use foul language, physical aggression, and uncooperative behavior/body language.
4. I will respect my opponents.
5. I will do my best to be a team player.
6. I will remember that winning isn't everything - that having fun, improving skills, making friends and doing my best are also important. I agree to display good sportsmanship, positive behavior, cheer on my teammates, take pride in personal and team accomplishments, and accept winning or defeat with dignity at all times.
7. I will acknowledge all good plays/performances - those of my team and of my opponents.
8. I will remember that coaches and officials are there to help me. I will accept their decisions and show them respect. I will treat all coaches, and umpires with respect at all times.
9. I will remember that when I play or practice the game of softball, wherever I am, I represent my team, my city, my province, but most of all myself.

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10. I will advise NGSC if I am committed to another softball team and/or organization; and understand that may not miss practices or games without approval from my coach, NGSC and NCCGSL. Missing games or practices to play on another softball team or organization may result in my dismissal, no refund of registration cost will be made and I may be restricted from future play with NGSC and NCCGSL.

11. I agree to arrive to practices, games and events at the designated time (which means that I am ready to walk onto the field and play the game).

I am aware that there will be consequences for such incidences.

- Change of playing position
- Change of batting order
- Removal from the game
- Released from the club and/or league
- Running Laps
- Push Ups, etc.

Should I have any questions concerning specific playing time, positions(s), and/or concerns regarding interest in a specific area of the game, I will discuss this matter with the manager or coaches immediately.

I hereby certify that I am the parent or guardian of, the registered player, and I have reviewed the player conduct with my child and they/I understand and agree to the foregoing on behalf of my player.

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