

Sask Five Baseball Association: Coach Code of Conduct

Being a coach can have a very profound effect on the social, emotional, and physical development of an athlete of any age. Each player's experience on the baseball field, whether positive or negative may last their entire lifetime.

The *Sask Five Baseball Association* strives to assure that the coach/athlete relationship and learning environment is always a positive experience so that each player's unique development can be maximized. Above all a coach must exhibit the highest ethical and moral qualities while being a strong role model for each of the players he coaches.

As a coach, you play an integral role in ensuring that these core values are met. Therefore, *Sask Five Baseball Association* requires that you read, and abide by, the Fair Play Code set out below.

- I will be reasonable when scheduling games and practices remembering that the players on my team have other interests and obligations.
- I will teach the players on my team to play fairly and to respect the rules, the officials, their opponents and their team-mates.
- I will ensure all players on my team receive equal instruction, support and appropriate, fair playing time.
- I will not ridicule or yell at the players on my team for making mistakes or performing poorly. I will remember that children play to have fun and must be encouraged to have confidence in themselves.
- I will make sure that the equipment and facilities are safe and match the ages and abilities of the players on my team.
- I will remember that children need a coach they can respect. I will be generous with praise and will set a good example.
- I will obtain proper training and continue to upgrade my coaching skills.
- I will treat other coaches, players, umpires and other officials with respect.

Coach name(s): (printed) _____

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

Please return the completed conduct form to your respective division coordinator.