

# SALL PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT

Through baseball, Stamford American Little League ("SALL") seeks to enhance the physical, mental, and emotional well-being of every child that takes part in a safe and fun environment. It is the league's goal that every player will be a better citizen, and have a greater chance for success in future endeavors whether it is that of baseball or life in general as a result of their Little League experiences. As such, SALL expects the highest degree of sportsmanship from its players.

In keeping with this philosophy, the following Player Code of Conduct has been adopted to better promote fairness, teamwork, good citizenship, sportsmanship, responsibility, and respect among the members of SALL.

Players will learn these values by the examples they see from those around them, and to this end, the following rules will be strictly enforced:

- Accept supervision and direction from the manager and coaches in a positive manner at all times.
- No throwing of any equipment (bats, helmets, gloves etc.) under any circumstances. Safety first!
- No foul language out of frustration and certainly no foul language directed at another individual and no negative comments to your teammates or others. No disparaging, discriminating, or belittling comments to any other individual. Treat opposing players with dignity and respect; win without boasting, and lose without making excuses.
- Do not engage in any physical confrontation or threaten physical abuse on or off the field with any other player, coach, league official or spectator. Also, no spitting near or at anyone else.
- Baseball is a game of interpretations, and as a result, disputes will occur from time to time. All disputes that are taken up with the umpire will be handled in a civil manner and shall only be initiated by the managers or coaches.

### Violation of any of these rules may result in the following penalties:

**1<sup>st</sup> Offense** - Immediate suspension of the current game plus the next game.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Offense** - Immediate suspension of the current game plus the next 3 games.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Offense** - You will be banned from all SALL events for the season.

After any violation I will need to meet with the President of our league and explain my actions and address how I will handle the situation in a more proper and respectful way prior to any reinstatement for this or next year.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ as the manager of the undersigned team have read the above Code of Conduct to the team at the first practice and will enforce it equitably at all times.

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Manager

We, the undersigned players, have listened to our manager, read the attached code of conduct, and agree to follow it at all times. We further understand that behaving in an unsportsmanlike manner or a violation of any of these rules may be grounds for removal from games.

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