

BTBA COACH CODE OF CONDUCT

I understand that my responsibilities as a youth coach are of great importance and that my actions have the potential to significantly influence the youth athletes I coach. Therefore, I promise to uphold the following rights of young athletes to the best of my ability:

- Right to have fun in sports
- Right to participate after try-out process
- Right to have qualified adult leadership
- Right to participate in safe and healthy environment
- Right to be treated with dignity

I also promise to conduct myself in accordance with the Coaches Code of Conduct as given next:

- I will treat each athlete, opposing coach, league official, parent, and umpire with respect and dignity.
- I will respect the coaches and players of the opposing team both during the play of the game and at its conclusion, win or lose.
- I will learn the strengths and weaknesses of my players so I may place them in situations where they have a maximum opportunity to achieve success.
- I will conduct my practices and games so that all players have an opportunity to improve their skill level through active participation.
- I will ensure that the fans of my player's team conduct themselves with sportsmanship and maturity at all times while in attendance at game sites.
- I will emphasize the importance of winning without boasting and losing without bitterness.
- I will teach the value of teamwork and the meaning of good sportsmanship.
- I will confine my discussions with umpires to the interpretations of the rules and not challenge umpire decisions involving judgment.
- I will refrain from any personal action that might arouse players or spectators to unsportsmanlike behavior.
- I will adhere to any rules or regulations stipulated by BTBA and MBL.
- I will teach my players to respect the game of baseball.
- I will not act either intentionally or unintentionally in any manner that is detrimental to BTBA and its Mission.

By signing below, I agree that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned Code of Conduct I could be subject to disciplinary action. The BTBA Board has at their sole discretion the right to determine penalties thereof. Penalties may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Verbal or written warnings
- Single and/or multiple game suspensions
- Immediate dismissal for the remainder for the season
- Lifetime ban from BTBA

Coach signature _____ Date _____

This form must be signed/dated by every Coach that will be in the dugout during games, including the Scorekeeper.

You will not be able to start practicing until ALL Coaches have submitted this executed form to BTBA.