



Coach's Code of Conduct - 2011

All JFA Team Managers are required to agree to and sign the following Code of Conduct in order to participate in JFA

- I understand that I am coaching recreational softball and acknowledge that positive development of the children I coach and sportsmanship is the highest priority.
- I will treat each child as an individual, remember the large range of emotional and physical development for the same age group.
- I will place the emotional and physical well being of my players as well as players from other teams ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I agree to keep good sportsmanship uppermost in my mind at all times and will keep each game in the proper perspective. I will not demean other players, coaches, parents or umpires either with derogatory comments or gestures either on or off the playing field.
- I agree and understand that the professional and or youth umpire has final discretionary control over the game and agree to refrain from dissent or verbal or physical assaults.
- I agree to set a high moral and ethical example for the children I coach, including but not limited to demonstrating fair play and good sportsmanship. I understand I am a role model for the youth.
- I will educate myself and be knowledgeable in the ASA and local rules of softball and I will teach these rules to my players.
- I agree to honor and uphold the rules of JFA and decisions of the JFA Board.
- I agree to speak words of positive encouragement, and or instruction to players.
- I agree that I am responsible for and will control myself, assistant coaches, parents and observers of the game from my team and treat opposing coaches, players, umpires, and parents with courtesy and respect.
- I understand that I may be ejected from the game/park for dissent with the umpire, opposing coaches, families, or any other personnel on the playing field or at the park.



- I agree that all disputes with other coaches and umpires will be resolved through the JFA Board.
- I understand that all grievances and disputes must be written and delivered to the JFA Board for consideration.
- I understand that I may be removed as a coach by the JFA Board for repeat violations of this Code of Conduct or any rule of the league or tournaments.
- I will be responsible for the care, treatment and return of all JFA fields, equipment sheds, and will return the equipment to the Equipment Manager in a timely manner when asked.
- I will communicate often and effectively throughout the season with the players and parents.
- I will hold the regular weekly practices scheduled by JFA and I will have these practices planned in advance.
- I will demand a sports environment that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, profane language or vulgar gestures and will refrain from their use at all softball events.
- I understand that my failure to comply with this code of conduct will result in suspension from the next scheduled game day and may result in further censure, discipline, suspension or termination of my volunteer commitment.
- I will review this Code Of Conduct with all volunteers involved with my team to ensure that they understand and comply with these rules set forth by JFA.

Manager's Signature

Date

Printed Name

This will be effective for one year from the date signed.

** Two copies are to be signed, one copy to the JFA File & one copy for the Manager*