



ECLBL COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

All volunteers will abide by a Code of Conduct which includes the following provisions. If any of these rules are broken, East Cambridge Little Baseball League (ECLBL) shall have the authority to impose a penalty according to the *Zero Tolerance Policy*.

Zero Tolerance Policy

Any Parent, Manager, Coach, Volunteer, or Spectator guilty of improper conduct at any game or practice will be asked to leave the baseball field by a Board Member 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. The Board of Directors will meet to discuss these violations of the Code of Conduct.

Members shall:

S1: Not smoke and/or use smokeless tobacco on the field or in the general vicinity of the children.

S2: Not possess or drink alcoholic beverages and/or use illegal substance(s) on either the game or practice fields.

S3: Not use abusive or profane language at any time.

S4: Not criticize player participants in front of spectators, but reserve **constructive criticism** for later, in private, or in the presence of team members if others might benefit.

S5: Emphasize that winning is the result of teamwork.

S6: Not criticize an opposing team, its players, coaches, or fans by word of mouth or by gesture.

S7: Not deliberately incite unsportsmanlike conduct.

S8: Not encourage their team to get a commanding lead and raise the score as high as it can. In these instances, every effort shall be made to let all players play.

S9: Shall remain in designated coaching areas at all times.

S10: Accept decisions of the game officials and umpires on the field and in competitions as being fair and called to the best ability of said officials.

S11: Together with team officials, be jointly responsible for the conduct and control of team fans and spectators. Any fan who becomes a nuisance and out of control will be asked to leave.

S12: Emphasize that good athletes strive to be good students and that both are physically and mentally alert.

S13: Strive to make every activity serve as a training ground for life, and a basis for good mental and physical health.

S14: Not recommend or distribute any medication, controlled or over the counter, except as specifically prescribed by participant's physician.

S15: Remove from a game or practice any participant, when even slightly in doubt about his/her health, whether or not as a result of an on the field injury.

S16: Not permit an ineligible player to participate in a game.

S17: Not receive any payment, in cash or kind, for services as a coach or player from ECLBL.

S18: Uphold all rules and regulations of East Cambridge Little Baseball League and Little League Baseball.

S19: Refrain from engaging in any action within or outside ECLBL which reflects negatively upon, or causes embarrassment to, East Cambridge Little Baseball League.

Volunteer Signature _____ Date _____