

SOFTBALL LEAGUE - PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT 2017



Participants in our City wide adult sports program are held to a high standard of behavior. The league director (Adriano Eva) is responsible for administering these standards based on incident report filled by the umpire. **A “zero” tolerance policy has been instituted for unsportsmanlike behavior in our programs since 2009.** Below is a list of areas of concern and the penalties that accompany them. **This is to be used as a guideline, however under special circumstances, the league director has the right to change, modify, or adapt these offenses or penalties as needed** “keeping the best interest of the Adult Softball in mind, and considering any prior offenses and the totality of the circumstances.”

OFFENSE	MINIMUM PENALTY	MAXIMUM PENALTY
Physical Assault of umpire, player, spectator, or City employee.	1 year suspension and possible criminal charges.	Lifetime suspension and criminal charges.
Fighting or any physical threat or abuse of umpire, player, spectator, or City employee.	Ejection from game, suspension from remainder of league. No less than five games.	Lifetime suspension, possible criminal charges.
Leaving dugout during an altercation.	Player(s) Ejected.	Suspension for remainder of League.
Verbal Abuse /Taunting /Inappropriate language towards of umpire, player, spectator, or City employee.	Ejection from game, 8 day suspension.	Suspension for remainder of League.
Refusal to obey umpire’s decision or follow Parks rules.	Ejection from game, 8 day suspension.	Suspension for remainder of league.
Alcohol in sports complex/ dugout*	Ejection from game, 8 day suspension for player and team captain.	Suspension for remainder of the league for player and team captain.
* State law prohibits alcohol possession or consumption on the premises, including the parking lot. Alcohol consumption is allowed exclusively at the Dwight Merkel Sports Complex’s Beer Garden.		
Illegal Players (not on roster, no player card)	Ejection from game, 8 day suspension for player and team captain possible forfeit of game.	Suspension for remainder of the league for player and team captain.
Use of illegal or altered bats	Forfeit of game.	Suspension for remainder of the league for player and team captain.

ATTENTION: The team manager(s), captain(s), or Coach(es) will sign the 2016 Player Code of Conduct.

As a team manager, player, coach, captain, I hereby accept, acknowledge, and understand the **“PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT”** in its entirety. I understand that all players on my roster are expected to abide by the SPRD Softball League’s standards of sportsmanship and are subject to the penalties of this contract. I agree that my team will abide by the **“PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT”** in its entirety and vow to adhere by these rules, accepting the penalties and probations as it so may be. I also agree that it is my responsibility to educate the players on my team’s roster about the “0” tolerance policy for unsportsmanlike behavior, and the penalties and consequences as described in the Player Code of Conduct.

Team name: _____ Captain’s Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

