

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR MANAGERS AND COACHES
NKCA BASEBALL LEAGUE, INC.

1. Sportsmanship is the primary philosophy of the program.
2. Managers and coaches shall keep their players under control at all times and shall confine them to the bench area and shall restrict the bench and bench area to authorized personnel only. The only personnel authorized to be on the bench or in the bench area are players, coaches, manager, and bat boys/girls.
3. The manager shall try in every way to control the crowd and his/her followers, parents, etc., and shall not himself take action designed to cause trouble. Managers can assist in this area by explaining the philosophy of our program and the harm that can be done to boys and girls by not learning to properly accept the decisions of officials.
4. Managers shall be held accountable for the actions of their coaches.
5. Managers and coaches shall familiarize themselves with the official rules of baseball and with the league rules.
6. Managers shall be held responsible for the correct age and place of residence of all players on his/her roster.
7. Managers must make releases by April 1 in order that the released players will have an opportunity to find another team to play on. (Not applicable for Fall Ball.)
8. Managers are encouraged to try to raise the standard of play of their players. If the manager needs help in teaching his/her players certain phases of the game, they should call in outside help to assist them with their problems.
9. Managers, coaches, and players shall not smoke while on the field or on the bench either during games or at practices.
10. The manager is the only team member allowed to appeal rules interpretations of an umpire, and this can be done only after time has been properly called. Managers will not conduct themselves in an abusive manner towards any umpire concerning any matter. A coach is not allowed to appeal calls unless he/she is acting as the manager, and then only in the absence of the manager.
11. The use of obscene or profane language or display of unsportsmanlike conduct by players, coaches, or managers is prohibited at all practice and league play. The umpire has the complete authority to enforce this regulation by ejection from the game.

12. The use of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs by any player, coach, or manager is prohibited at all practices and games. Managing, coaching, or playing under the influence of alcohol or drugs is prohibited at all practices and games. Those violating this provision shall be barred from further participation in the program.
13. Managers and coaches shall assist the umpires in speeding up the game by having their teams ready to play on time, by holding the preliminary practice to a minimum, and by having the players hustle between innings. Unnecessary delays will not be tolerated.
14. Managers and coaches shall be cooperative with fellow managers, coaches, umpires, and league officials. Setting a proper example will result in the players participating in a more sportsmanlike manner.
15. Managers are required to secure replacements for themselves if they desire to leave a team. Managers who fail to get his/her replacement shall be barred from coaching or managing for any other team in the program.
16. Suggestions for changes in rules and regulations from individual managers should be presented in the individual league meetings, and if approved, then presented to the Board by the league representative. Only the Board of Directors can approve rule changes.
17. All managers and coaches are to give their full cooperation and support to the program's candy sale or any other fund raising program. Failure to turn in all candy money by due date will prohibit the team from participating in league play.
18. Failure of winning manager to phone in game reports within 12 hours of game is a violation and subjects the manager to disciplinary action, as well as subjecting the team to forfeiture of the games played.
19. All prospective manager and team registration forms must be turned in to the league by April 15. (Does not apply to Fall Ball.)
20. Any manager or coach who willfully or intentionally violates any rule of the league or the code of conduct shall be subject to disciplinary action which can include up to expulsion from the program. Disciplinary action shall be taken by the President of the League subject to appeal and review by the Board of Directors according to the established rules.

I have read and understand the Code of Conduct, and by placing my signature to this document, I agree to the provisions contained therein.

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(Manager)	(Date)
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(Coach)	(Date)
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