



Canal Little League

Codes of Conduct

Manager/Coach Code of Conduct

Canal Little League is dedicated to fostering the physical, social, and emotional development of our young athletes. As a Manager or Coach, you are a role model for good sportsmanship and positive behavior, setting an example for players, spectators, and the community.

As a Manager/Coach in Canal Little League, I commit to the following principles:

- **Promote Sportsmanship and Skill Development:** I will encourage good sportsmanship, teach baseball and softball skills to the best of my ability, and prioritize a fun and positive experience for all players.
- **Uphold Team Integrity:** I recognize that a team's reputation is based as much on its sportsmanship, courtesy, and conduct as on its playing ability.
- **Maintain Respectful Conduct:** I understand that any form of physical or verbal abuse toward fellow coaches, players, or spectators is strictly prohibited.
- **Prohibit Profanity:** I acknowledge that profanity is expressly forbidden at all times within the Canal Little League complex.
- **Avoid Alcohol and Tobacco Use:** I will refrain from using alcohol and tobacco products on Canal Little League property.
- **Adhere to Rules and Safety Standards:** I am committed to understanding, following, and teaching all national and local league rules. I will make every effort to ensure a safe playing environment for all players.
- **Prioritize Player Well-being:** I will place the physical and emotional well-being of players above any personal desire to win.
- **Organize Engaging Practices:** I will plan and conduct enjoyable and challenging practices that contribute to each player's growth.
- **Respect Umpires:** Recognizing that baseball is a game of interpretations and that umpires, like players, are in training, I will show respect for umpires, address any concerns civilly, and accept final decisions. I understand that only team managers are permitted to initiate discussions with umpires.
- **Communicate Openly with Players and Parents:** I will maintain open lines of communication with players and their families, remaining approachable and responsive. When a parent reaches out to discuss any matter, I will engage respectfully and courteously.

Parent Code of Conduct

Canal Little League is committed to fostering a positive environment for young athletes by engaging parents in a supportive and respectful role. The Parent Code of Conduct upholds our commitment to character development and ethical behavior, emphasizing sportsmanship and core values like respect, responsibility, fairness, and good citizenship.

As a Canal Little League Parent, I commit to the following:



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- **Demonstrate Good Sportsmanship:** I will actively encourage sportsmanship by showing positive support to players, coaches, and officials at all times.
- **Respect Team Commitments:** I will respect the schedules of coaches and teammates by ensuring my child arrives on time for practices and games. If my child will be late or unable to attend, I will notify the coach in advance.
- **Uphold Respectful Conduct:** I will refrain from any unsportsmanlike behavior, including taunting, negative comments, or the use of profane language, toward officials, coaches, players, or other parents.
- **Value Effort Over Winning:** I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning and emphasize the importance of effort, teamwork, and personal growth.
- **Respect Officials and Their Authority:** I will respect the officials' decisions and authority throughout games, understanding their role in ensuring a fair and safe playing environment.
- **Address Concerns Appropriately:** I will refrain from approaching coaches or managers with concerns before, during, or immediately after games, reserving any questions or issues for a more constructive discussion the day after, in a setting conducive to problem-solving.
- **Avoid Sideline Coaching:** I will not coach my child or other players during games, allowing the team's coaches to provide instruction and guidance.
- **Abstain from Alcohol and Tobacco Use:** I will refrain from using alcohol or tobacco products while on Canal Little League property, promoting a healthy and family-friendly environment.

Player Code of Conduct

At Canal Little League, we believe in building character, responsibility, and teamwork in our young athletes. As a player, your responsibilities are simple but meaningful: respect others, take responsibility, play fairly, show good sportsmanship, and always give your best effort.

As a Canal Little League Player, I commit to the following:

- **Promote Sportsmanship:** I will demonstrate and encourage good sportsmanship toward my teammates, coaches, officials, and parents.
- **Play Safely and Responsibly:** I will never throw a bat or any equipment in anger, and I agree to follow all team and league rules to ensure safe play for everyone.
- **Respect Team Commitments:** I will do my best to arrive on time and attend every practice and game, and I will let my coaches know if I am unable to attend.
- **Strive for Improvement:** I will work hard to improve my skills and be a better player.
- **Encourage Family Involvement:** I will encourage my parents to support my team and our league by getting involved in positive ways.
- **Demonstrate Respect and Sportsmanship:** I will congratulate the other team after each game as a display of good sportsmanship, win or lose.
- **Exercise Self-Control:** I will maintain self-control at all times, avoiding foul language and any other behavior that doesn't reflect positively on me or my team.
- **Play for the Team's Success:** I will work for the good of my team, follow the rules of the game, and respect the decisions of the coaches and officials.
- **Show Respect to Everyone:** I will treat my teammates, opponents, fans, and umpires with respect at all times, recognizing that each person plays an important role in our league.