



# **Marple Township Little League Bullying Policy**

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Marple Township Little League takes bullying or any harassment in any form very seriously. This will not be tolerated at any level within our organization whether done by players, coaches, managers, parents or Board of Director members.

Bullying can take several forms but the most common are:

1. Verbal bullying including derogatory comments and bad names
2. Bullying through social exclusion or isolation
3. Physical bullying such as hitting, kicking, shoving, and spitting
4. Bullying through lies and false rumors
5. Having money or other things taken or damaged by players who bully
6. Being threatened or being forced to do things by players who bully
7. Racial bullying
8. Sexual bullying
9. Cyber bullying (via cell phone or Internet)

If an individual feels they are being bullied, the player, parent or guardian should report this to the player's manager. The manager will immediately inform their Player Agent who will make notification to the Board of Directors where a review of the situation will take place by the Sportsmanship Committee. This committee is comprised of the Officers of the Board, including the League Player Agent.

Consequences of bullying can be as follows:

1. Verbal Warning
2. Suspensions
3. Expulsion from Marple Township Little League
4. Involvement of local law enforcement