



## 2009 PAL BASEBALL COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT



I understand that my responsibilities as a youth coach are of great importance and that my actions have the potential to significantly influence the young athletes whom I coach. I understand that many children participate in sports for numerous different reasons, and that the number one reason is to have fun!

**Therefore, by participating as a PAL Baseball Coach, I will adhere to the following Codes.**

1. I will treat each player, opposing coach, official, parent or administrator with respect and dignity, and refrain from using profanity, intimidation tactics and inappropriate language or behavior.
2. I will provide players with the best education, instruction and organization possible by attending required meetings, clinics and certifications.
3. I will properly educate players the importance of teamwork, effort, having fun, and playing fair while properly instructing age appropriate fundamentals and skills.
4. I provide a healthy and safe environment for my players, which are in accordance with my leagues safety procedures. I will provide safe instruction and use of playing equipment.
5. I will comply with the decisions of PAL league officials, read and observe all rules policies and procedures as set forth by the 2009 PAL Recreational Baseball and Draft Rules.
6. I will not challenge or argue a judgment call made by an umpire which is strictly prohibited and grounds for immediate ejection.
7. I will hold a pre-season parents' meeting, and maintain open communications with parents relating to all aspects of participation, including conduct of both parents and players.
8. I will a sports environment for my team that is free of drugs, tobacco and alcohol, and refrain from their use at all youth baseball events.
9. I understand that the Head Coach alone shall be held responsible for the behavior of my players, parents, and spectators.
10. I understand that as a youth coach I am obligated to honor the games rules, opponents, officials, teammates and self, and to teach players to do the same. I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship at all times.

I understand PAL Baseball reserves the right to take appropriate disciplinary action against any coach in violation of the code of conduct. Said action may include removing a coach from a game, additional suspension for any appropriate period of time, removal from a team or from coaching in any other PAL Sports.

With my signature, which I voluntarily affix to this contract, I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and will abide by the promises made herein.

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Coach Name (Print)

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Coach Signature

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Date