

LUYAA Girls' Softball Code of Conduct

The mission of the LUYAA Girls' Softball program is to provide for the continuing development of softball skills for young female athletes. All participants should display good sportsmanship, being modest in victory and gracious in defeat. Remember that the participants are opponents not enemies. Be proud of the accomplishments and efforts of all the players. Cheer loudly and freely, and in a positive manner. Respect the integrity of the judgments of the umpires and the decisions of the coaches.

The following guidelines stress appropriate behavior while maintaining the integrity and spirit of competition.

COACH'S:

- Not only responsible for their own behavior, coaches are responsible for the behavior of the players, parents, and guests for their team. Coaches are expected to display good sportsmanship toward all participants involved in the game (umpires, players, coaches, parents, and guests on both teams) at all times. Displays of temper or use of foul or abusive language will not be tolerated.
- Are expected to set an example by not using alcohol, drugs or tobacco products before, during and after the game or practice.
- Are the team's representative when dealing with the umpires. They can question an umpire's interpretation of a rule, but cannot argue an umpire's judgment call. Displays of verbal or physical abuse, whether acted upon or implied, will not be tolerated.
- Are responsible for the safety of their players on and off the field. Coaches may not leave the field until all players have either left, or are under the supervision of another adult.

PLAYER'S:

- Are expected to support their own teammates while exhibiting good sportsmanship toward their teammates, as well as the opposing team, before, during and after the game or practice.
- May not dispute an umpire's call.
- May not display acts of physical or verbal abuse toward the umpires, coaches, players, parents or guests.

- Are prohibited from throwing or abusing any team equipment before, during or after a game or practice.
- Are prohibited from the use of foul or abusive language.
- Are prohibited from the use of alcohol, drugs or tobacco products before, during or after a game.

PARENT'S AND GUEST'S:

- Are expected to display good sportsmanship toward all participants involved in the game (umpires), players, coaches, parents, and guests (on both teams) at all times. Displays of temper, use of foul or abusive language will not be tolerated and may result in the ejection of the person(s) involved, or forfeiture of the game.
- May not dispute an umpire's call.
- Are prohibited from entering the field of play at any time without the permission of the umpires or coach.
- Are prohibited from the use of alcohol, drugs, or tobacco products before, during, or after (while in the accompaniment of players or in the vicinity of the sport) a game or practice.
- Are to provide support for the coach and coaching staff to provide a positive, enjoyable experience for all.
- Are to bring players on-time for practices and at least 30 minutes before game times. If you must leave, come back before the activity is finished.
- Are to teach their children to treat other players, coaches, fans and umpires with respect regardless of race, sex, creed or ability.