

# GGBL Coaches Code of Conduct

It is a privilege to serve the community and represent your park at an elite level and participate in the Greater Gwinnett Baseball League. The GGBL is a Baseball Association that exists at the leisure of its Member Parks, and as such, is subject to the Rules of the Host Park in which the games are played.

## Coaches Responsibilities

1. Understand the rules of the game of Baseball, read and understand the Rules for play as established by the GGBL.
2. Participation in the GGBL Preseason tournament, Regular Season required number of games, and the County Championships is mandatory. Games or tournaments scheduled outside of the GGBL may be done only after commitments to the GGBL are satisfied.
3. Make every effort to keep abreast of Events and Meetings of the GGBL and cooperate with the administrative requirements of managing or coaching a GGBL team.

## Standards of Behavior

1. Consistently demonstrate a positive role model to players and parents with a positive attitude, good sportsmanship, even temperament and to professionally and constructively discuss any disputed rule violation with umpires, (judgment calls are not debatable).
2. Under no circumstances is physical contact acceptable in a confrontational/disciplinary situation.
3. Unsportsman like conduct, obscene language or unruly behavior on the part of the coaches, fans, umpires or players will not be tolerated.
4. Alcoholic beverages of any form are not allowed at GGBL games or tournaments.
5. All Tobacco products are not allowed inside the field areas.
6. Although Coaches cannot be responsible for the conduct of other adults, as a Manager/Coach, you should take the necessary actions to intervene and counsel parents/fans of players from your team whenever possible. Said parents/fans are subject to ejection from the park per the host's park rules.

Violation of these Standards will result in disciplinary action taken by either the Host Park Representative, The Baseball Commissioner of the GGBL, or The Board of Directors of the GGBL. Coaches/players ejected from a game are automatically suspended from their next scheduled GGBL game. A 2<sup>nd</sup> ejection may result in the GGBL Board taking further disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion from the League.

A coach/player that is suspended from a game can appeal such suspension to the GGBL Board. Appeals must be made within 24 hours to the Executive Council (President, Vice President/Treasurer, Communications Director, Baseball Commissioner) via email, phone or personal contact. The person under said suspension must remove him/her self from the game in question and can only appeal the subsequent games suspension. While the appeal is under the consideration of the Executive Council or the Board, said individual is not subject to the suspension until a response is formed from the Executive Council or the Board. Matters where automatic outs or sportsmanship issues that result in ejection by the umpire or the host Park, are not subject to appeal.

As such, I do hereby agree to abide by the Mission Statement and philosophies of the GGBL and the Rules as established by the Board of Directors of the GGBL. I also agree to support and adhere to the GGBL Code of Conduct and Standards of Behavior expectations.

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Name

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Age League / Team Name

Signature/Date