**PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT**

As a teammate, I understand that it is my responsibility to attend all team functions and to respect and obey the coaches at team activities. I will demonstrate good sportsmanship to my teammates and to other teams and I will show respect for the authority of the coaches and umpires.

**Players shall …**

•    Respect all coaches, players, league officials, umpires, spectators, and opponents.

•    Treat others fairly - be a good teammate.

•    Give 100% effort in practice - hustle all of the time.

•    Display good sportsmanship and team play at aII times.

•    Follow the direction of the coaching staff.

•    Make every attempt to be on time and ready to play for all games and practices.

* Inform the head coach as soon as possible if you are unable to attend.

•    Follow safety rules and not endanger others on the field.

•    Take care of League and personal equipment.

•    Show respect for the game of baseball by knowing and following the rules of the game,

      controlling emotions when calls are unfavorable, and accepting the decisions of

      the umpire and coaches without incident.

**Players shall not...**

•    Use abusive or inappropriate language.

•    Taunt or embarrass any other player.

•    Question an umpire's call.

•    Abuse, mistreat or mishandle any league or personal equipment or property (e.g .throwing batting helmets).

**Disciplinary Policy for Players**

The Smyrna League Board or an established subcommittee will review all reported incidents of behavior considered detrimental to the game. The group will act on a simple majority vote.

•   Umpires and league officials have the authority and discretion to penalize offending players according to the league rules.  Multiple infractions or behavior deemed excessive may result in suspension lengthier than posed in the league rules up to a lifetime ban.

•    Any player that has been ejected from a game must leave the playing field area and report to their parent or guardian.  Any threat made by a player will not be tolerated. Threats will be considered as excessive and may result in suspension lengthier than posed in the league rules up to a lifetime ban.

Print Name (player) Signature (player)

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