



# Tournament Coach Code of Conduct

*Must Understand and Comply with Code*

The Louisiana Little League Board of Directors has mandated the following Code of Conduct. All coaches and managers for tournament teams shall read this Code of Conduct and sign in the space provided below, acknowledging that he or she understands and agrees to comply with the Code of Conduct. The completed form from all coaches shall be placed inside the tournament team affidavit.

## Louisiana Little League Code of Conduct:

No manager and/or coach shall, **at any time**:

- ◆ Lay a hand upon, push, shove, strike, or threaten to strike a tournament and/or game official.
- ◆ Be guilty of heaping personal verbal or physical abuse upon any official for any real or imaginary belief of a wrong decision or judgment.
- ◆ Be guilty of an objectionable demonstration of dissent at an official's decision by throwing of gloves, helmets, hats, bats, balls, or any other forceful unsportsmanlike action.
- ◆ Be guilty of using unnecessarily rough tactics in the play of a game against the body of an opposing player.
- ◆ Be guilty of a physical attack upon any board member, official, manager, coach, player or spectator.
- ◆ Be guilty of the use of profane, obscene or vulgar language in any manner at any time.

*Note: This policy has been approved for all tournaments (District level & Up). Regardless if the host district does not adopt this policy.*

- ◆ Appear on the field of play, stands, or anywhere on the Little League complex while in an intoxicated state. Intoxicated will be defined as an odor or behavior issue.
- ◆ Be guilty of gambling upon any play or outcome of any game with anyone at any time.
- ◆ Have possession of firearms and/or use of tobacco, cigarettes (including e-cigarettes and vapors), and alcoholic beverages in any form on the playing field, benches, or dugouts. Alcohol is prohibited at the game site. **Regulation XIV (e).**
- ◆ Be guilty of publicly discussing with spectators in a derogatory or abusive manner any play, decision or a personal opinion on any players during the game.
- ◆ As a manager or coach, be guilty of mingling with or fraternizing with spectators during the course of the game.
- ◆ Speak disrespectfully to any manager, coach, official or representative of the league.
- ◆ Be guilty of tampering or manipulating any league rosters, schedules, equipment, draft positions or selections, official score books, rankings, financial records or procedures.
- ◆ Challenge an umpire's authority. The umpires shall have the authority and discretion during a game to penalize the offender according to the infraction up to and including expulsion from the game.

*The Louisiana Little League Board of Directors will review all infractions of the Code of Conduct. Depending on the seriousness or frequency, the board may prohibit a coach from coaching and assess additional disciplinary action if needed.*

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I have read the Louisiana Little League Code of Conduct and agree to adhere to its Rules and Regulations.

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Print name of Coach

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League/Team/Division

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Signature of Coach

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Date

**THIS FORM MUST BE KEPT WITH THE TEAMS TOURNAMENT AFFIDAVIT AT ALL TIMES.**