ISSAQUAH BASEBALL CLUB

Code of Conduct

The Issaquah Baseball Club has implemented the following Code of Conduct, for the principles that it holds for parents, guardians, managers, coaches and players who participate in and support the Issaquah Baseball Club. All must read, understand and sign this form prior to participating in our League.

- The goal of the Issaquah Baseball Club is to implant firmly in the children of our community the ideals of good sportsmanship, trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, good citizenship, courage and respect for authority.
- Parents, managers, coaches and adult spectators are role models for children in attaining these goals.

General Rules of Conduct

- 1. Parents or guardians will not force their children to participate in sports.
- 2. Children participate to have fun; the game is for youth, not adults.
- 3. Parents or guardians will inform the managers and coaches of any physical disability or ailment, which may affect the safety of a child or others.
- 4. Parents, guardians, managers, coaches and players will learn the rules of the game and policies of the Issaquah Baseball Club and tournaments entered.
- 5. Parents, guardians, managers, coaches and players will abide by the rules and regulations of the City of Issaquah, Washington, with respect to use of fields for purposes of play or practice and prohibition on consumption of alcohol, tobacco or drugs.
- 6. Parents, guardians, managers, coaches and players will be role models and encourage good sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.
- 7. Parents, guardians, managers, coaches and players will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, manager, coach, player, parent or spectator, including, but not limited to: use of obscene or indecent language; verbal assault of an umpire; physical touching or assault of any kind; booing or taunting; refusal to shake hands; profane gestures; and manipulation of game rules for the sole purpose of winning.
- 8. Parents will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question or confront managers, coaches or umpires at the game field.

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Player, Parent & Coach Agreement

- 1. I will not encourage any behavior or practice that would endanger the health and well being of the athletes.
- 2. I will play by the rules and resolve conflicts without resorting to intimidation, hostility or violence.
- 3. I will treat all parents, guardians, managers, coaches, players and spectators with respect, regardless of race, creed, color, gender or ability.
- 4. I agree that doing one's best is more important than winning.
- 5. I will praise players, managers and coaches for competing fairly and trying hard.
- 6. I will never ridicule or yell at a player, manager, or coach for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- 7. I will emphasize skill development and practices over winning.
- 8. I will promote the emotional and physical well being of players over any personal desire to win.
- 9. I will abide by ALL decisions by the umpires, especially those involving judgment (ball, strike, fair, foul, safe, out) and I will NOT question or dispute them at any time except through the proper channels.
- 10. I will demand a sports environment that is free from drugs, tobacco and alcohol and will refrain from their use at all sports events.
- 11. I will refrain from coaching players during games and practices unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.
- 12. I will abide by the final decision of the Issaquah Baseball Club Board of Directors on the consequences of any violation of the Code of Conduct, which may include multiple game suspensions in the event of repeat violations, or forfeiture of the privilege of attending games.

Player's name	
Player's signature	
Parent/guardian signatures	
Manager's signature	
Date	