

Douglas Youth Baseball and Softball – Coaches Code of Conduct

POLICY:

The Douglas Youth Baseball and Softball program will have a “zero tolerance” policy when it comes to the conduct of managers, coaches, players and spectators. This policy is to insure that all persons (parents, siblings, players, managers and coaches) can attend a Douglas Youth Baseball and Softball game function and enjoy themselves and not have to be subjected to individuals that can ruin the enjoyment for all.

Players and children of all ages should not have to be subjected to spectators in the stands that are negative or managers and coaches that cannot maintain a positive behavior before, during and after a game.

In no way are any of the following rules meant to deter a manager or coach from successfully directing their game, nor are any of the rules prohibiting spectators from positively cheering and supporting their team.

RULES:

1. Negative comments directed at Managers, Coaches, Players, Umpires and league staff will result in the immediate removal of the offender. If spectators are involved, they will be asked to leave the park immediately by any member of the Board of Directors or umpires that are in attendance. If an individual refuses to leave, the game will be **SUSPENDED** and the local law enforcement will be called to affect the removal. Douglas Youth Baseball and Softball is granted permission by the Town of Douglas to utilize the fields and to operate the program. In return, Douglas Youth Baseball and Softball has the responsibility to manage the facilities in a safe and professional manner and has the **authority** to remove individuals from the park that create behavior problems that interfere with the safe operation of the facility.
2. Team personnel (managers, coaches and players) that get ejected from a game will automatically receive a minimum of a one (1) game suspension (The DYBS Board will decide if more games are warranted) . A second ejection in the same season will result in an indefinite suspension pending a hearing of the Board of Directors with the individual involved. If the decision of the Board of Directors to reinstate the individual and the same individual gets ejected a third time in the same season, the action will result in immediate termination for the balance of the season. Individual will become ineligible for participating on any league all-star tournament teams. The decision by the Douglas Youth Baseball and Softball Board of Directors is **FINAL**.
3. Any physical altercations with spectators, managers, coaches, players, umpires and league staff will result in the offenders begin removed from the park and the possibility of charges being filed. Offenders will **NOT** be **PERMITTED** to return to any Douglas Youth Baseball and Softball game for the remainder of the season (includes regular, post season and All Star games and practices)
4. Any Manager, Coach or Player that uses profanity that is directed to an Umpire will be immediately ejected from the game. “Trash Talking” will **NOT** be tolerated.
5. The use of tobacco (smoking or chewing) products and alcoholic beverages in any form is prohibited on the playing field, benches or dugout.

GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP MUST BE PRACTICED BY ALL PARTICIPANTS & SPECTATORS