



Player Code of Conduct

As a softball player I will:

Attitude

- Have a positive outlook on going to practice and being around my teammates and coaches.
- Be attentive, ask questions, and listen to my coaches at all times, while respecting their player personnel and position decisions.
- Hustle at all times.
- Strive to understand the game, become a strong athlete, learn teamwork, display exemplary sportsmanship, and take responsibility for my sportsmanship and conduct.
- Have fun and welcome the opportunity to create new friendships.

Practice

- Be on time and prepared, with all the necessary equipment I need.
- Work hard to understand the rules of the game at the level I am playing at.
- Work hard to develop my individual skills and our team dynamic, both on and off the field.

Games

- Be positive and keep perspective. Be humble and gracious in victory, but proud and courteous in defeat.
- Be aggressive and play hard, but in a way that does not cause injury to myself or my opponent.
- Accept and learn from mistakes, both mental and physical, as they are a part of my growth and development. Use these as opportunities to learn and get better.
- Encourage and cheer for my teammates whether in the field, at bat, or in the dugout.
- Respect the umpires by being courteous and maintaining control of my emotions throughout the game. Refrain from making comments or gestures about their decisions during play.
- Play fair and exhibit good sportsmanship on and off the field when I am representing my organization.

Communication

- Notify my coach in advance if I cannot attend a practice or a game so that line-ups can be changed and/or subs can be arranged.
- Refrain from talking negatively about other players and teammates, or my coaches' decisions, as to not hurt feelings.
- Be responsible in asking my coach for time to discuss any questions, concerns, or dislikes I may have.
- Express my concerns through the proper channels in a dignified manner.

Respect

- Respect my teammates, coaches, umpires, volunteers, equipment, fans, and other competitors at all times.

Representation of my team and Oregon Softball

- Will not use of alcohol, drugs, or tobacco use at any time during the season. If I violate this rule, I understand I could be suspended from the team.

I understand that this code of conduct is part of my families registration application to play within Oregon Youth Softball. I have read and agree to this code of conduct.

Name _____ **Date** _____