

All slo-pitch participants are expected to, at all times, display respect for the rights, dignity and worth of athletes, coaches, officials, other volunteers, media, friends, and spectators and to treat everyone equally regardless of sex, ethnic origin, religion or ability. This will be demonstrated by following the Code of Conduct.

CODE OF CONDUCT

No Team Member or Fan will conduct themselves in behaviour contrary to this code both on and off the field.

No Team Member or Fan will cause any form of personal abuse, including verbal, physical and emotional abuse, towards other athletes, officials, host personnel, spectators and others.

No Team Member or Fan will refuse to abide by an official's decision, threaten an official, or at any time lay a hand upon, push, shove, strike, or make incidental physical contact with the body or kick dirt or other matter on the official or attempt to cause physical contact when disputing a decision. This includes causing or attempting to cause physical contact another participant at the tournament.

No Team Member or Fan will make any disparaging remarks or actions towards other athletes, officials, host personnel, spectators and others.

No Team Member or Fan will react in a violent manner to any incident nor use any form of profane, vulgar, obscene or abusive language or gestures, whether it is directed at an official, opponent, playing colleague, team official, tournament official or spectator. Neither will they tolerate profane, vulgar, obscene or abusive language or gestures from any supporters and other members of their team.

No Team Member or Fan will use intimidating or threatening behaviour towards officials, opponents, playing colleagues, team officials, tournament personnel or spectators nor will they permit any others to openly or maliciously criticize, badger, harass, or threaten an official.

No Team Member or Fan will make objectionable demonstrations by throwing bats, gloves or other equipment in a forceful manner.

No Team Member will discuss publicly with participants and spectators in a derogatory or abusive manner any decision by the officials or any opinions of players.

No Team Member or Fan will cause the destruction of property belonging to others.

No Team Member will use any intoxicating substances during the course of the game, or appear to be in an intoxicated condition.

No Team Member or Fan will harass, heckle, insult, jeer, or use verbal tactics to embarrass or insult an association representative, employee or other participant at the site before, during or after a game.

No Team Member or Person involved with any team in any capacity will make derogatory, disdainful, disparaging comments or remarks regarding any person or program connected to the Association on any public forum, message board or bulletin board.

No Team Member will use any improper and unapproved equipment.

No Team Member or Fan will give false or misleading information or fail to cooperate with a legitimate request from a Slo-Pitch Ontario official in the discharge of his/her official duties.

No Team Member or Fan, when requested by the game official, will refuse to assist him/her in the enforcement of this Code of Conduct and the control of players making threats.

No Team Member or Fan will engage in a continuous verbal attack upon an official or other participant or spectator after they have been ejected from a game or make a verbal threat of physical violence upon an official.