

AUSTRALIAN BASEBALL FEDERATION

PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT

The ABF Player Code of Conduct has been developed for all players participating in Underage National Championships and ABF Youth Development Programs as well as Representatives on the Australian Youth Team.

A player's public behaviour will be closely observed by others as he represents his State or Country at special events. Any behaviour that is unlawful or disrespectful to others is a slur on everyone associated with the team. Any serious breach of this code or any behaviour detrimental to the game of baseball must be notified to the TMC representative.

If, in the opinion of team officials, there is a serious breach of Code of Conduct the player will be banned from the remainder of the Championship or program, the parents and State Association notified and the player sent home by the first available transport. Any additional expense incurred will be the responsibility of the parents.

Code of Conduct

- . Compete by the competition conditions and rules.
- . Verbal abuse against umpires, opposing players or fans will not be tolerated.
- . Control your temper - no criticism by words or gesture.
- . Co-operate with your coach and team mates. Show respect for your opponents and their skills.
- . No drug use of any kind will be tolerated unless prescribed by a licensed physician.
- . Refrain from profanity at all times.
- . Entering licensed premises or casinos unless under the supervision of team officials or billeting parents is strictly forbidden.
- . Be friendly to all participants.
- . The use or possession of any form of tobacco, tobacco products, illegal drugs, drug paraphernalia or alcohol of any description is banned.
The team officials shall have the right to conduct a search of a player's room, bags, clothing or personal belongings if he or she has a reasonable suspicion that a serious breach of the code of conduct has occurred. This must be conducted in the presence of the player, and/or his/her agent and an independent adult witness
- . Any activity likely to result in loss or wilful damage to private property or to cause a disturbance will not be tolerated.
- . All press statements and interviews of players must have ABF approval.
- . No jewellery (eg earrings or studs) at all times.
- . No eating or drinking on the baseball field, except what is provided by the executive officer.
- . Music on planes and buses is to be confined to individual headphones.
- . Report all injuries to a coach or trainer and schedule proper treatment with the physiotherapist when necessary.

- . No cameras will be allowed in the dugouts during games.
- . No one other than team personnel are allowed in locker rooms unless permission is obtained from the management.
- . Promptness for meetings, training sessions and games is mandatory.
- . Uniformity and sharpness in proper on-field dress is a must. This applies for practice sessions as well as games.
- . Proper off field walk-out dress will be worn as designated for flights and functions.
- . Personal hygiene is the player's responsibility. It is essential that showers are taken after each game or practice.
- . Players are responsible for cleaning and maintaining their equipment.
- . Abuse of equipment such as throwing helmets or bats will not be tolerated.
- . No player is to be permitted to drive a motor vehicle or motorcycle.

Billeting Situation

Players will:

- . Advise your hosts when and where you will be at all times.
- . Be courteous.
- . Assist with household chores and help wash your own clothes.
- . Social activities other than those organised or approved by team managers or host committees are not permitted.
- . Pay for phone calls.
- . Don't borrow money.
- . If delayed unexpectedly, contact your hosts immediately.
- . Respect the wishes and routine of your billeting family.
- . Present a small gift to your billeting family and write a letter of thanks.
- . Say thank you - often.

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PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT CONSENT FORM

I have read the
(print name)

ABF Players Code of Conduct and fully understand the responsibilities and conditions disclosed.

I will to the best of my ability, abide by the Code of Conduct during all ABF endorsed events.

signature:

Date: