



Parent Code of Conduct

As a parent/spectator of American River Girls Softball, I understand that American River Girls Softball is a recreation league that strives to teach my daughter key fundamental skills about the sport, but also to personally manage successes and disappointments. As a parent, in order to help my daughter develop strong softball skills and problem solving skills, I agree to the following code of conduct:

- I will allow the coaches to develop a program for my daughter that strives to balance competition and fairness.
- I understand that this is a recreational league and my daughter is learning the key foundational skills to play softball.
- I will inform the coach of any physical disability or health concerns that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
- I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.
- I (and my family and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage good sportsmanship at all times by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other ARGSA event.
- I (and my family and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
- I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
- I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.
- I will not bring dogs to the field.
- I will only utilize social media as a positive and supportive way in regards to ARGSA, and all of our softball families within the sport. I will not post negative, demeaning, or derogatory comments.
- I promise to help my child enjoy the youth sports experience by doing whatever I can, such as being a respectful fan, assisting with coaching, or transportation.
- I will require that my child's coach be trained in the responsibilities of being a youth sports coach and that the coach upholds the Coaches' Code of Ethics.
- I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.

Any parent, family member or guest guilty of improper conduct at any game, practice or ARGSA sponsored event will be asked to leave the sports facility or area and be suspended from the game and possibly from multiple games, or the season forfeiture of the privilege of attending all ARGSA events.

If you have any questions, concerns or if a problem occurs, please contact your Team Manager or Division Vice President.

Player Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Player Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

NorCal Girls Softball - Code of Conduct Form

This Code of Conduct is established by NorCal and serves as the policy for American River Girls Softball Association pertaining to the conduct of players, coaches, managers, and spectators for the entirety of the Fall Ball Season.

1. A player/coach/manager/spectator at any organized softball event shall not:
 - a. Be physically aggressive toward any player (teammate or opponent), official (umpire or scorekeeper), league director, agency representative, tournament staff, tournament director or spectator. This includes any unwanted physical contact including, but not limited to, shoving, or striking a person before, during or after any game or event.
Penalty: Termination for one calendar year.
 - b. Use profanity and/or racial, sexual, religious, or disability-based slurs, threats, or intimidation.
Minimum Penalty: Immediate ejection from the event and eight games probation.
Maximum Penalty: Termination for one calendar year.
 - c. Refuse to abide by any League, tournament staff or Official's call or judgment.
Minimum Penalty: Immediate ejection from the event and two games suspension.
Maximum Penalty: Termination for one calendar year.
 - d. Be verbally abusive toward any player, official, league director, tournament director, representatives, or spectators. This includes but is not limited to, use of profanity and/or racial slurs, harassment, threats, or intimidation before, during or after a game. If during a game, the player will be ejected.
Minimum Penalty: Immediate ejection from the event and eight games suspension.
Maximum Penalty: Termination for one calendar year.
 2. Any ejected player/coach/manager/spectator MUST leave the field area immediately. Failure to do so may result in a maximum penalty for the violation. If the ejected player/coach/manager/spectator continues any disruption from the spectator area, they will be suspended for one additional game and placed on probation for one year. An incident report will be completed and forwarded to the NorCal commissioner, and the League's President.
Minimum Penalty: Suspension for the next full game immediately following the game of the ejection.
Maximum Penalty: Suspension for the next two full games immediately following the game of the ejection and up to one-year probation.
 3. A player/coach/manager/spectator who is on probation for a Code of Conduct violation and is reported for another violation of the Code of Conduct, WILL FACE double the normal penalty for the new violation. Any probation or suspension included in the penalty for the new violation will run consecutively with the former penalty. This incident will be reported to the NorCal commissioner, League President, and the GSSA USA SOFTBALL commissioner.
Minimum Penalty: Four-game suspension and one-year probation.
Maximum Penalty: Termination for one calendar year.
 4. Any player/coach/manager/spectator that has been terminated will be reported to the GSSA USA SOFTBALL commissioner. A hearing may be requested by the player/coach/manager/spectator. An Eligibility and Reinstatement Committee will be appointed by the NorCal Executive Board of Directors to hear the appeal. The GSSA Commissioner or Designee may be requested to attend.
 5. Any NorCal actions will be communicated to the League President.
 6. Any Game Official or Tournament Staff has full authority to clear and/or eject any spectators from behind the backstop.
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Acknowledgment: By signing this Code of Conduct, I acknowledge that I have read and understood the expectations and penalties outlined. I agree to adhere to these guidelines and support the mission of creating a respectful and positive environment for all involved.

Player Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Player Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Team Name: _____

For any questions or concerns, please contact the ARGSA Fall Ball Commissioner at: fallball@argsa.org or 916-813-9161



Player Eligibility Policy

To ensure compliance with NorCal regulations, we require confirmation from parents regarding player eligibility for the NorCal Fall Ball season. According to NorCal policy:

"Any player who has played in a scrimmage or game during the calendar year for any organized softball team not organized by one of the NorCal member leagues after March 31, including travel ball, is ineligible to play for a NorCal Fall Ball team that calendar year unless the player applies for reclassification to regain eligibility for Fall Ball by using the NorCal Reclassification Form or submits the required documentation for relocation and is granted a Waiver."

Acknowledgment

By signing this form, I confirm that I have read and understood the above eligibility policy. I acknowledge that:

1. **Eligibility Rules:** My child, _____, has not participated in a workout, practice, try-out, scrimmage or game for a team not organized by a NorCal member league after March 31, as this may affect their eligibility for the NorCal Fall Ball season.
2. **Reclassification:** If my child has participated in non-NorCal organized events after March 31, I understand that we must either apply for reclassification using the NorCal Reclassification Form or submit documentation for relocation and request a Waiver under the provided exceptions to regain eligibility before she plays Fall Ball this season.
3. **Documentation:** I am aware of the necessary steps to regain eligibility and will ensure that all required documentation is submitted as per NorCal's guidelines if applicable. Failure to do so may result in my child's removal from Fall Ball without a refund.

Player Information

- **Player's Full Name:** _____
- **Date of Birth:** _____

Parent/Guardian Information

- **Parent/Guardian Full Name:** _____
- **Relationship to Player:** _____
- **Email Address:** _____
- **Phone Number:** _____

Signatures

By signing below, I confirm my understanding and acceptance of the eligibility policy for the NorCal Fall Ball season.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

If you have any questions or need further clarification, please contact us at:

Email: fallball@argsa.org

Phone: 916-813-9161