

Northwest Girls Softball
Coaches Code of Conduct

This Coaches Code of Conduct applies to head coaches, assistant coaches, managers and any others on a team's coaching roster. All such people are referred to as Coaches. Each Coach who will be on the field or in the dugout with players during any practice or game shall sign this form and abide by these rules.

- All Coaches will refrain from using foul or improper language or tobacco while around players.
- No Coach shall use or be under the influence of alcohol or drugs while around players.
- All Coaches will refrain from improper behavior that is detrimental to their team, its players or NWGS. Improper behavior includes, but is not limited to, excessive arguing with umpires or opposing Coaches, arguing with fans, mentally or physically abusing or endangering players, and threatening, or using abusive language toward, anyone, including inappropriate conduct on social media. Determination of improper behavior will be determined by the Executive Board, which consists of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Player Advocate and, at the President's discretion, the appropriate division representative.
- All Coaches will abide by all ASA rules, and NWGS league rules and codes of conduct.
- Head Coaches are responsible for monitoring the behavior of his or her Coaches, players, player parents and relatives, and fans, and their compliance with NWGS league rules.
- The Executive Board handles complaints against Coaches. The Executive Board may act on its own without receipt of a complaint if improper behavior is observed by or reported to any Board member.
- Coaches serve at the discretion of the Board. A Coach may not be invited to coach a team in future seasons; the Board must approve all Coaches before each season.
- Ejection from a game by any Coach will result in the following penalties:
 - 1st Ejection: Suspension from next game.
 - 2nd Ejection: Suspension from next two games, not eligible to coach All-Star team.
 - 3rd Ejection: Losing coaching duties for the remainder of the season and permanent ejection from the league at the Executive Board's discretion.

The safety and well being of the players is the league's first priority; any doubt will be resolved in favor of the player's interests. Coaches who do not follow the expectations described above may be warned, disciplined, suspended or removed at the discretion of the Executive Board, with or without a hearing. A Coach may appeal any discipline, suspension, or removal by requesting a hearing in front of the full Board pursuant to hearing rules adopted by the Executive Board. The Coach will remain disciplined, suspended or removed until a decision by the full Board, which decision shall be final.

With my signature, I acknowledge that I have read, understand, and will comply with the Coaches Code of Conduct.

Signature

Name: _____

Date: _____

All Coaches and Managers must sign as well!

Team: _____

Division: _____

Signature

Name: _____

Date: _____

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