



BASEBALL ASSOCIATION TOWNSVILLE COACHES / MANAGERS / EXECUTIVE OFFICERS CODE OF CONDUCT

The Coach/Manager/Executive Officer (EO) of a team may be the second most influential person in a player's life. Coaches, through their own behaviour (on and off the field) have an enormous impact on the development of young players.

In establishing a solid foundation of character building with players, the key responsibility of any Coach is to lead by example. This holds true at all levels of development.

For these reasons and many more, the Coach/Managers/EO Code of Conduct to encompass all coaches and EOs representing Baseball Association Townsville (BAT) in any endorsed and organised game, tournaments, development programs and special events. These principles are considered practicable and are within the aims and objectives of the baseball in Townsville and Queensland.

- Provide Supervision of the behaviour of the team at all times.
- Do not criticise players in front of spectators, parents and other teams. Review constructive criticism with a player in private or in the presence of the team.
- Accept decisions of the umpire as being fair and called to the best of their ability. Do not abuse or ridicule an umpire, or allow your team members to do so.
- Develop team respect for opponents, spectators and officials. Do not criticise other teams, supporters, or officials by words or gestures.
- Set a good example in personal appearance and behaviour.
- Encourage sportsman like behaviour among players.
- When ever possible, ensure all players have equal time on the field.
- Encourage players to work together as a unified group (teamwork).
- Keep yourself informed of sound coaching principles and seek more skilled advice when required.
- Encourage your team to hustle on and off the playing field at all times.
- All press statements and/or interviews must be within the guidelines of BAT.
- Place the welfare and development of the individual above a winning or losing record.
- Do not embarrass your opponents.
- Do not use any form of tobacco or alcohol of any description on the field, in the dugouts or bullpens, or whilst in uniform.
- Abide by BAT's rules and regulations.
- Be aware of any player with a medical problem.
- Strive to develop a positive image and self-sufficient attitude with each player.
- Enforce the Players Code of Conduct.
- Present BAT in a positive image



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Note: In cases where there are breaches of this code of ethics, the breaches can be reported to the BAT Committee. If the breach(s) are found proved, then the matter (s) will be referred to the BAT Judiciary for adjudication of penalty.

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Team: _____ Age Group: _____

I have been provided with a copy of the BAT Coaches Code of Conduct, and am aware of and fully understand the responsibilities and conditions disclosed. I acknowledge that I am bound by that Code, and that any breaches can be reported to the BAT Committee for their deliberation. If the breach(s) are found proved, then the matter (s) will be referred to the BAT Judiciary for adjudication of possible (further) penalty.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Position: _____