

# HAMPSTEAD LIONS BASEBALL & SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION, INC

## SPORT PARENT'S CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Remain in the spectator area during competitions
2. Cheer for your team
3. Show interest, enthusiasm, and support for your child.
4. Be in control of your emotions.
5. Help when you're asked by a coach or an official.
6. Let your coach's coach.
7. Make positive comments only - no insulting comments to players, parents, officials, or coaches of either team.
8. Thank the coaches, officials, and other volunteers who conducted the event.
9. Enjoy the game

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The Hampstead Lions Baseball & Softball Association "Code of Conduct" policy is established as a **zero-tolerance policy**.

The policy is established for the well-being of the HLBSA to promote a positive recreational environment for the children and families in our baseball programs. All managers, coaches, players, and parents are to sign the acknowledgment that they have read and will abide by the "Code of Conduct" established by the HLBSA.

### Hampstead Lions Club Park

The Hampstead Lions Club has established a policy that prohibits the smoking of tobacco products and the drinking of alcoholic beverages. All animals (dogs, cats, etc.) are to be always on a leash and under the control of the owner.

The Hampstead Lions Club has requested that all members of the HLBSA respect the neighbors of Lions Club Park and the grounds of Lions Club Park by disposing of all trash in the appropriate receptacles.

**DO NOT park** your vehicles at the Residence of Hampstead School facility for HLBSA events. The vehicle will be towed.

## **Code of conduct: Disciplinary Procedures and Actions**

**A warning is not required for a manager/coach/volunteer, player or an individual to be ejected from the game or to be removed from the park.**

**A manager/coach/volunteer or player that is ejected from the game or park, will earn at a minimum 1 played game suspension.**

1. Any parent, guardian, or fan who voices strong and persistent displeasure with an umpire's decision or who loudly criticizes any player, coach, manager, or league official may be first warned by the manager and/or umpire.
2. If such acts are fragrant or are repeated, the parent, guardian, or fan will be ejected from Lions Club Park.
3. If a parent, guardian, or fan fails to leave immediately, without hesitation, the umpire will terminate the game in a forfeit against the team whom the parent, guardian, or fan represented.
4. If a parent, guardian, fan, manager, coach, or participant utilizes inappropriate language or actions, he or she shall be first warned by the manager and/or umpire.
5. Arguing balls and strikes with an umpire by a manager, coach, player, parent, guardian, or fan will result in an immediate team warning for the duration of the ball game.
6. After a team warning, any further occurrence shall result in the immediate ejection of the individual from the Lions Club Park
7. **Managers/Coaches, parents or players do not have to be ejected from a game or be removed from Lions Park for the HLBSA to take disciplinary action.**

**If necessary, local law enforcement will be called for assistance.**

Once the game begins, the Umpire is in control of the game. Umpires are to follow the rules and regulations set forth by the Board of Directors of HLBSA including but not limited to the rules and regulations of the Hampstead Lions Club, the HLBSA, league rules and regulations, tournament rules and regulations, and the Code of Conduct and shall not provide personal interpretation of any rule or regulation without exception.

If an infraction of the Code of Conduct occurs and a warning or ejection is issued, **either at Lions Club Park or at an off-site field**, the Manager shall notify the League Commissioner and the Umpire shall submit a written report to their umpire association, which will be made available to HLBSA for review. The League Commissioner shall notify the League Vice-President and President within 24 hours.

The President, League Vice-President, League Commissioner and individual responsible for the infraction shall meet within 72 hours of the infraction for a conference and disposition. Appropriate corrective actions may include, but are not limited to verbal reprimand, written reprimand, suspension of HLBSA privileges, termination of managerial or coaching duties, and/or termination of participation in the HLBSA programs and/or denial of access to Lions Club Park with the cooperation of the Hampstead Lions Club.