



CODE OF CONDUCT PLAYERS

To the Club Secretary...

All players in Hills Junior competitions must assent to the following statement as part of their registration process. This statement need not be part of the Club's Registration Form, nor do players need to sign it individually, **HOWEVER** all players are expected to comply with it and the defence of "I didn't know" is not available to anyone charged with a disciplinary offence.

The League suggests that if you don't want to incorporate the full text of this statement on your registration forms, that you make a couple of copies (even laminate them perhaps?) and have them on hand at your registration days. Make the kids read it before they sign your rego form and include a statement on your own form acknowledging that they have done so. Clubs may extend this Code of Conduct if they wish for their own players. The following statement is a minimum requirement to play in The League.

To the Players...

This Agreement requires you to meet high standards as a sportsman, as a team member and as an individual. Read it carefully before you sign anything agreeing to be bound by it...

As an individual and team member, I will;-

- 1) Work hard for myself and my team at all times. I will co-operate with my own team officials and with team-mates and opponents, and obey any reasonable request from my team coaches or manager.
- 2) Play by the rules of the competition, and follow all recommendations of the League regarding safe play and equipment, and obey the rules prohibiting banned substances.
- 3) Never argue with an umpire and always accept the decisions of the umpires as being fair and called to the best of their ability.
- 4) Control my temper. I recognise that swearing or verbal abuse of umpires, team officials or other players will not be tolerated. I will not abuse equipment (mine or anyone else's). I will not throw bats or helmets.
- 5) Not cause any loss or damage to private property or cause a disturbance to others.
- 6) Not invite anyone other than team personnel into restricted areas such as the dugout.
- 7) Behave in a polite and appropriate manner toward others. I will applaud all good plays from either team, and treat all players as I would like to be treated. I will not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of any other player, nor deliberately distract or provoke an opponent.
- 8) Be frank and honest with my coach concerning illness or injury and my ability to take part in training session or games.
- 9) Be responsible for my personal appearance, behaviour, personal hygiene and cleaning of my own equipment. I will be neat and tidy in appearance at games, training sessions and at any time that I am in public as a baseball player.
- 10) Be prompt for meetings, training sessions and games, and if I can't attend on time (or at all) then I will call my team manager or coach and say so, as soon as I can.

I have read and understood the requirements of the League and the conduct expected of me as outlined in the commitments expressed above. I understand that I will be subject to disciplinary action should I breach this agreement.

20th May, 2005