



## Player Code of Conduct Agreement

I hereby agree to play for the Ohio Emeralds Fastpitch Softball organization.

I understand that travel softball is a highly competitive sport and there are no guarantees as to the amount of playing time or position that I will play during games. I will agree to listen and follow the instructions of the team Manager and coaching staff at ALL TIMES.

I am aware that the team has limited membership, and as such that each player's participation (including my own) is crucial in maintaining the high standards of play we are striving to attain. As such, I understand my attendance at all games practices, team meetings, scrimmages and official games is important to the Team's success.

I agree to display good sportsmanship, positive behavior, cheer on my teammates, take pride in personal & team accomplishments, and accept winning or defeat with dignity at all times.

### Obey and understand the following:

- ✿ During games: I understand that team rules require me and my team mates to remain in the dugout and/or on the bench while the game is going on (AT ALL TIMES). I am not allowed to sit with parents or with spectators. Even, if I am not in the game. (Excused illness only)
- ✿ Take care and wear my uniform properly at all times.
- ✿ Wear my entire uniform at games (removal of any part for *any* reason must be first approved by the Manager)
- ✿ I will have my own helmet, glove, and equipment (including any sliding gear) necessary to play the game
- ✿ During the game, I will know where my equipment is at all times
- ✿ While in the dugout, I will cheer on my teammates. No distracting horseplay. I will pay attention to the game on the field at all times.
- ✿ I will watch and pay attention for base running instructions from the base coaches and not from fans watching the game, including parents.

*I agree not to:* use foul language, physical aggression, and uncooperative behavior/body language (including: facial expressions, back talk, body gestures that criticize my Manager or any member of the coaching staff or players), arrive to practices, tournaments and team functions at designated time. (that means I am ready to walk onto the field and play the game *at all times* regardless of position or playing status.) When in the game, I will pay attention to the game and be ready to make a play to help my team at all times.

I am aware and understand that there will be the consequences for not following these rules and that they are:

- ✿ Change of playing position and or, reduced playing time.
- ✿ Change of place in the batting order
- ✿ Removal from the game/ lineup
- ✿ Released from the team
- ✿ Running laps, sprints, etc.
- ✿ Push Ups, etc.

Should I have any questions concerning specific playing time, positions(s), and/or concerns regarding interest in specific areas of the game, I will discuss this matter with my manager or coaches directly at the appropriate time and place (outside of games, practices, the team dug out). I have read the player conduct rules and agree to follow them at all times.

Player Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_