# Code of Conduct

All members and registrants of Barrie Minor Baseball must adhere to the appropriate section(s) of the following Code of Conduct. Failure to do so may result in disciplinary action (e.g., warnings, game suspensions, loss of privileges). Additional sanctions may be imposed by SSMBA, YSBA and/or OBA depending on the nature and severity of the issue. Good common sense and positive, ethical behaviour is expected at all times.

Additionally, Barrie Minor Baseball is a member of the Ontario Baseball Association and their codes of conduct also apply. For more information, please click here.

## PLAYERS

**This applies to all players on House League, Select, Rep and Elite teams including call-ups.**

- I will play baseball because I want to, and not because others want me to play.
- I will have realistic expectations of both my own and my teammate's play.
- I will be responsible for my own behaviour.
- I will be modest when successful and gracious in defeat.
- I will show respect for the game by following the rules and regulations.
- I will adhere to fair play principles.
- I will demonstrate good sportsmanship before, during and after games and practice.
- I will be encouraging, in a positive manner, to all players.
- I will encourage and acknowledge good plays and performances by players on both teams.
- I will show respect to and be appreciative of the volunteer coaches and officials who give their time and energy to the players and to Barrie Minor Baseball.
- I will respect the privilege of being a player in Barrie Minor Baseball.
- I will take pride in being an active participant in Barrie Minor Baseball.
- I will be respectful of a coach's, umpire's or official's judgement and decisions and I will never question their honesty in public. I will encourage others to do the same.

- I will communicate with players, coaches, parents, umpires, and officials in an appropriate manner and I will encourage others to do the same.
- I will resolve conflicts without resorting to physical or verbal abuse, hostility, or violence.
- I will respect the facilities and equipment used.
- I will have fun and enjoy my time as a player.

## COACHES

**This includes all Coaches, Managers, Assistant Coaches and others assisting any team.**

- I will remember that players are playing for their enjoyment, not for mine.
- I will have realistic expectations. I will remember that players cannot be judged by professional standards.
- I will place the well being of my players ahead of my personal desire or external pressure to win.
- I will be knowledgeable of the league rules and policies and will teach these to the players.
- I will adhere to fair play principles.
- I will remember that children learn best by example.
- I will teach my players good sportsmanship before, during, and after games and practices.
- I will be encouraging, in a positive manner, to all players.
- I will encourage and acknowledge good plays and performances by players on both teams.
- I will show respect to and be appreciative of the volunteer coaches and officials who give their time and energy to the players and to Barrie Minor Baseball.
- I will encourage my players to respect the rights of other players, coaches, spectators, umpires & officials.
- I will be respectful of a coach's, umpire's or official's judgement and decisions and I will never question their honesty in public. I will encourage others to do the same.
- I will communicate with players, coaches, umpires and officials in an appropriate manner and I will encourage others to do the same.
- I will encourage players, coaches, parents, umpires, officials, and spectators to resolve conflicts without resorting to physical or verbal abuse, hostility, or violence.
- I will do my best to provide a safe playing environment for all players.
- I will demand an environment that is free from drugs, tobacco and alcohol, and I will refrain from their use at all events.
- I will respect the facilities and equipment used.

- I will have fun and enjoy my time as a coach.

## PARENTS

**This category applies to all parents and guardians of players.**

- I will remember that players are playing for their enjoyment, not for mine.
- I will have realistic expectations. I will remember that players cannot be judged by professional standards.
- I will be an active participant of my child's development, but will not coach my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.
- I will teach my child that doing one's best is as important as winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game.
- I will make my child feel like a winner by offering praise for competing fairly and trying hard.
- I will remember that children learn best by example.
- I will demonstrate good sportsmanship before, during and after games and practices.
- I will be encouraging, in a positive manner, to all players including my own.
- I will encourage and acknowledge good plays and performances by players on both teams.
- I will show respect to and be appreciative of the volunteer coaches and officials who give their time and energy to the players and to the Barrie Minor Baseball Association.
- I will respect the rights of players, coaches, spectators, umpires and officials and will encourage my child do the same.
- I will be respectful of a coach's, umpire's or official's judgement and decisions and I will never question their honesty in public. I will encourage others to do the same.
- I will communicate with players, coaches, umpires and officials in an appropriate manner and I will encourage others to do the same.
- I will encourage players, coaches, parents, umpires, officials, and spectators to resolve conflicts without resorting to physical or verbal abuse, hostility, or violence.
- I will demand an environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco and alcohol, and I will refrain from their use at all events.
- I will respect the facilities and equipment used.
- I will have fun and enjoy my time as a parent.

## SPECTATORS

**This category applies to all spectators or fans at all Barrie Minor Baseball events.**

- I will remember that players are playing for their enjoyment, not for mine.
- I will have realistic expectations. I will remember that players cannot be judged by professional standards.
- I will not coach players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.
- I will remember that children learn best by example.
- I will demonstrate good sportsmanship before, during and after games and practices.
- I will be encouraging, in a positive manner, to all players.
- I will encourage and acknowledge good plays and performances by players on both teams.
- I will show respect to and be appreciative of the volunteer coaches and officials who give their time and energy to the players and to the Barrie Minor Baseball Association.
- I will respect the rights of players, coaches, spectators, umpires and officials and will encourage others to do the same.
- I will be respectful of a coach's, umpire's or official's judgement and decisions and I will never question their honesty in public. I will encourage others to do the same.
- I will communicate with players, coaches, umpires and officials in an appropriate manner and I will encourage others to do the same.
- I will encourage players, coaches, umpires, officials, and other spectators to resolve conflicts without resorting to physical or verbal abuse, hostility, or violence.
- I will demand an environment that is free from drugs, tobacco and alcohol, and I will refrain from their use at all events.
- I will respect the facilities and equipment used.
- I will have fun and enjoy my time as a spectator.

## UMPIRES & OFFICIALS

**This applies to all members of the Board of Directors, Division Convenors and game umpires.**

- I will remember that players are playing for their enjoyment, not for mine.
- I will have realistic expectations. I will remember that players and coaches cannot be judged by professional standards.

- I will be knowledgeable of and uphold all league rules and policies to the best of my ability.
- I will treat all players as equals.
- I will be respectful of a coach's, umpire's or official's judgement and decisions and I will never question their honesty in public. I will encourage others to do the same.
- I will communicate with players, coaches, umpires and officials in an appropriate manner and I will encourage others to do the same.
- I will resolve conflicts without resorting to physical or verbal abuse, hostility, or violence.
- I will demand an environment that is free from drugs, tobacco and alcohol, and I will refrain from their use at all events.
- I will do my best to provide a safe playing environment for all players.
- I will respect the facilities and equipment used.
- I will have fun and enjoy my time as an umpire or official.