

## WALKERTOWN GIRLS SOFTBALL – COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

#### Part I

Walkertown Girls Softball Association ("WGSA" or the "League") is committed to the development of good sportsmanship, leadership and good citizenship in our youth. Underscoring this commitment is the belief that our children learn best by our example as responsible parents and as accountable adults. We encourage You, Signer of this document, to inform family members, friends and/or relatives that may attend to watch a game or any other WGSA activity that the established Code of Conduct with penalties will be enforced at the discretion of the Board of Directors. To this end, we ask all *Managers and Assistant Coaches* to read, sign and support a *Code of Conduct* as established by the WGSA.

#### Part II

WGSA prohibits smoking by coaches during any game, practice, event or activity being promoted by WGSA. Smoking by any parent or spectator is only allowed in the parking lot area away from the players. The smoking policy will follow the below code of conduct policy for unsportsmanlike conduct.

The consumption of any alcoholic beverage on Forsyth County Park property is prohibited. First offense will be first and last warning and will result in compliance to cease activity. Second offense may result in dismal from the league. In the event of such offense, WGSA reserves the right to contact local law enforcement (Forsyth County Sherriff's Department) to assist in the removal of the offender, you, the undersigned of this document and dismal may or may not include player/daughter. All violations will be resolved immediately, upon Board approval, without the need of a hearing, meeting, or discussion of said violators.

#### Part III

The WGSA Board of Directors reserves the right to refuse any coaches application for any reason or event having occurred before the start of any season and/or any past season or during the season where one has been found to be in violation of the Code of Conduct.

#### Code of Conduct

Standards of conduct are part of the ASA National Code. Every ASA member and WGSA member shall respect these standards. A Manager or Coach or player or parent or any other individual affiliated with the team / league shall not violate any of the following:

Violation of the below standard code of conduct will result in immediate review by the WGSA board of directors and the possibility of disciplinary action against that individual. In the event that the offender is a member of the board of directors, that member will be excluded from the discussion of said issue.

## **Unsportsmanlike Conduct:**

- a. Obscene language, profanity and/or gestures will not be tolerated at any time during a WGSA game, practice or event. This includes but is not limited to derogatory chants against another team, player, coach, umpire or parent before during or after a game, practice or event of the WGSA.
- b. Verbal attack or threat upon a parent, coach, player, assistant coach, league volunteer or umpire, "Blue," or ASA official.
- c. Harassment.
- d. Bullying.
- e. Artificial noise makers are prohibited from all WGSA games, practices and events.
- f. Any conduct that would be detrimental to WGSA on or away from the field, including but not limited to any derogatory comments, foul language or un-sportsman like behavior on any social media site.

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## **Disciplinary Actions:**

- First offense for any of the above will be considered a warning. Warning will remain in effect for the rest of the current season.
- Second offense will result in immediate ejection from the game, an additional two game suspension and probation for 12 months.
- Third offense will result in immediate removal from WGSA.
- \* If <u>any</u> assistant coach, parent / guardian or player is warned during a game, the head coach is also charged with a warning.
- \*\* Coach must report any assistant coaches, players or parent / guardian that is at the game that has offenses.

## **Personal Conduct Policy**

- a. The use or possession of any form of alcohol or illegal drugs are strictly prohibited.
- b. Destruction of property, abusive behavior or violation of state or federal law.
- c. Coaching under an assumed name or falsifying an official ASA or WGSA document.
- d. Physical attack upon a parent, coach, player, assistant coach, board member, league volunteer or umpire, "Blue," or ASA official.

### **Disciplinary Actions:**

- First offense for any of the above will result in immediate removal from WGSA. The offender will be placed on list of expelled players / coaches and will no longer be allowed to register as a player or coach with WGSA.
- If the above offense is considered an event that violates a North Carolina or Federal law, that person will be reported immediately to local authorities.

Violation of any of the above may result in suspension or dismal from the League. I have the read and understand the Code of Conduct and my obligations to the League.

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 Print Name	_	
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Please remember that we are here to promote a healthy environment for our children, players, family and

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