

These principles are considered practicable and are within the aims and objectives of the Woodville District Baseball Club Inc.

Players Code of Conduct

- Always promote the Woodville District Baseball Club and its sponsors in a positive image.
- Respect the club officials, administrators and supporters, and realise they are an important factor of the club.
- No bad mouthing of your team mates, coaches or club personnel.
- Report all injuries to the coach.
- Always advise your coach when unable to attend training, prior to that training.
- Promptness for meetings, training sessions and games is mandatory.
- No one will attend meetings, training or games “under the influence”.
- Show respect for your opponents and their skills.
- Control your temper, no criticism by words or gesture.
- Verbal abuse against umpires, opposing players or fans will not be tolerated.
- Abuse of equipment will not be tolerated.
- Refrain from profanity at all times.
- Anyone involved in an on field fight will be left on their own means and face disciplinary action from the club. (Players are liable to SABL by way of fines and suspensions for any involvement in altercations. Involvement means leaving your position).
- No eating or drinking on the baseball field unless provided officially.
- Always play to the teams game plan and philosophies.
- Always project a strong, positive attitude.
- Always projects the philosophy that “The Club is greater than the individual.”
- Non Smoking Policy. All club facilities, all playing facilities and in designated outdoor areas.
- Illegal substances are prohibited within 100 metres of club facilities and car parking areas.

Coaches Code of Conduct

- Supervise the behavior of the team at all times.
- Do not criticize players in front of spectators, parents or other teams. Review constructive criticism with a player or the team in private.
- Accept decisions of the umpire as being fair and called to the best of their ability. Do not abuse or ridicule the umpire nor allow your players to do so.
- Develop team respect for opponents, spectators and officials. Do not criticize other teams, supporters or officials by words or gestures.
- Set a good example in personal appearance and behavior.
- Encourage sportsmanlike behavior among the players.
- Ensure whenever possible all players have equal time on the diamond. Avoid overplaying the talented players - the average players need and deserve equal time.
- Encourage players to work together as a unified group (teamwork).
- Keep yourself informed of sound coaching principles and seek more skilled advice.
- Encourage your team to hustle on and off the playing field at all times.
- Place the welfare and development of the individual above a winning or losing record.
- Do not embarrass or demoralise your opponents.
- Do not use any form of tobacco or alcohol on the field, in the dugouts, bullpens or while in uniform.
- Whenever possible, provide assistance with coaching expertise and knowledge to developing teams.
- Abide by the rules and regulations of the Australian Baseball Federation.
- Be aware of any player with medical problems and manage the situation appropriately.
- Strive to develop a positive image and self-sufficient attitude with each player.
- Present the sport of baseball in a positive image.
- Ensure your accreditation is current and updated regularly.
- Ensure you are the holder of a current Police Clearance to interact with children.

Parent's Code of Conduct

- Remember, children participate in sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Organize to have your child at training/games on time
- Contact the Coach or Manager if you will be late or absent.
- Ensure your child has all necessary equipment, uniform, water and protection (batting helmet, sun block, protector (boys)).
- Be prompt with payment of Club Fees – avoid unnecessary embarrassment by causing the Manager or Treasurer to have to ask for the money.
- Encourage all children to play by the rules and to settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
- Remember, your behavior is being watched and listened to by children. **Lead by good example.**
- Appreciate good performances and skilful plays by ALL participants regardless of team.
- Never ridicule or yell at a player for making a mistake.
- Focus on the players' efforts rather than winning or losing.
- Please talk to your Coach / Manager if you have any problems or concerns.
- Respect Officials' decisions and teach children to do likewise.
- Show appreciation for volunteer coaches/managers, scorers, officials and administrators.
- Volunteer for routine tasks such as: umpiring, fund raising, canteen roster, field maintenance, management committee etc.
- Support Club activities. You are modeling positive team behavior to all players.