POINT LOMA LITTLE LEAGUE CODE OF CONDUCT

PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT

- 1. I will learn the rules of the game and follow them.
- 2. I will always be respectful of my teammates, coaching staff, umpires and the property of Point Loma Little League and field and I will not use any form of communication to include but not limited to email, texts, and other forms of social media in a negative, hurtful, or harmful way against teammates, coaching staff, umpires and the property of Point Loma Little League and field
- 3. I will encourage my teammates and not criticize their mistakes or the mistakes of the players on the opposing team.
- 4. I will bring problems to the attention of my coach.
- 5. I will not use unsportsmanlike conduct. This means I will not become angry, make unfriendly remarks, hit or threaten someone else, or use any equipment to hit or threaten someone else.
- 6. I will not throw a bat, ball or equipment in anger.
- 7. I will not start a fight.
- 8. I will not use bad language.
- 9. I will not boo, taunt, or refuse to shake another player's hand after a game.
- 10. I will not use smokeless tobacco, smoke, or "vap" during any PLLL function.
- 11. I will treat everyone with respect. It doesn't matter where they are from, what their race is, whether they are a boy or a girl, or whether they play well or not.
- 12. I understand I may be forced to leave the league if I do not follow any of these rules.
- 13. If I hit or hurt anyone, or threaten to hit or hurt anyone, I will be expelled immediately from the Point Loma Little League field by any coach, umpire or board member. I will not be allowed to return to the Point Loma Little League field or participate in any Point Loma Little League activity until the Board of Directors approves my return.
- 14. I agree to win without boasting, lose without making excuses, and to never give up.
- 15. I will not ride on motorized vehicles (motorized scooters, bicycles, and skateboards) around the park when there are any type of practices or games taking place.
- 16. I will not use any form of communication to include but not limited to email, texts, and other forms of social media in a negative, hurtful, or harmful way against teammates, coaching staff, umpires and the property of Point Loma Little League and field.

PARENT'S CODE OF CONDUCT

- 1. I will insist my child follows all of the above rules. I will follow all of the above rules and discuss these rules with any family member or family friend that may be involved with any PLLL function.
- 2. I agree to cheer and support good team play and I will not be overly concerned with the outcome of the game.
- 3. I agree to let the coaches do the coaching and will refrain from coaching any player except to provide encouragement.
- 4. I agree to respect coaching decisions regarding playing time, position and placement.

- 5. I agree to accept umpire decisions and understand that verbal abuse or harassment of umpires is detrimental to my child, the team and the league. I further understand that verbal abuse or harassment may be grounds for my removal from the games.
- 6. I will not engage in public displays of anger.
- 7. I will not heckle, jeer or distract players and I will not use profane or obnoxious language or display similar behavior.
- 8. I agree to be responsible for my guests and will ensure they follow the rules set forth in this document.
- 9. I agree not to approach players or coaches before, during or immediately after games with anything other than congratulations. All questions and concerns regarding players, coaches or umpires should be addressed in an atmosphere conducive to problem solving.
- 10. I agree to file in writing with the Board of Directors complaints regarding violation of rules, questionable conduct, irreconcilable personality conflicts or abusive behavior by a player, coach, umpire or spectator within 24 hours of an occurrence of conduct.
- 11. I will set a good example of sportsmanship for my child and others to follow.
- 12. I will not use any drugs or alcohol while attending any little league game.
- 13. I shall remember all managers, coaches, officials and board members are volunteers.
- 14. I will voluntarily remove myself from the field if directed to by a coach or board member.
- 15. If I physically abuse anyone, or threaten to physically abuse anyone, I will be immediately expelled from the Point Loma Little League field by any coach, umpire or board member. I will not be allowed to return to the Point Loma Little League field or participate in any Point Loma Little League activity until the Board of Directors approves my return.
- 16. I will not use any form of communication to include but not limited to email, texts, and other forms of social media in a negative, hurtful, or harmful way against teammates, coaching staff, umpires and the property of Point Loma Little League and field

COACHES AND MANAGERS CODE OF CONDUCT

- 1. I will follow all of the above rules.
- 2. I will emphasize that "team work" is an important part of the game.
- 3. I will be jointly responsible, together with the game officials, for the conduct and the control of teams and spectators. Anyone who violates the code of conduct by becoming out of control or aggressive will be asked to leave the game and the field.
- 4. I will remember that my actions have an effect on the players and the spectators.
- 5. I will remove any player from the game when even slightly in doubt of his/her health, whether or not as a result of an injury.
- 6. If I physically abuse anyone, or threaten to physically abuse anyone, I will be immediately expelled from the Point Loma Little League field by any coach, umpire or board member. I will not be allowed to return to the Point Loma Little League field or participate in any Point Loma Little League activity until the Board of Directors approves my return.

DISCIPLINARY MEASURES

FIRST OFFENSE

When a report of a first offense is received by the Board of Directors, a written warning will be provided to the offender which will indicate the consequences of future violations. Depending on the severity of the first offense, nothing precludes the Board of Directors from suspension of an offender from all Point Loma Little League activities for a period of time deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors.

SECOND OFFENSE

The Board of Directors may institute a wide range of penalties for repeat offenders, beginning with the second offense, as deemed appropriate by the Board. Such penalties include, but are not limited to:

- suspension from all Point Loma Little League activities for a period of time deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors.
- severe violations can result in suspension from all Point Loma Little
 League activities for the remainder of the current season or a permanent
 expulsion from all Point Loma Little League activities. See Third
 Offense.

THIRD OFFENSE

The Board of Directors may choose to apply any of the penalties prescribed for a second offense.

If the Board of Directors believes a permanent expulsion from the Point Loma Little League is appropriate, the Board should provide notice to the player's guardian or the individual against whom the action is being taken and allow that person to address a meeting of the Board on their own behalf. A certified letter should be sent to the offender to provide notice, if there is sufficient current information available to the Board about the address of the individual. If the offender or their guardian chooses not to respond, the Board should take appropriate action to safeguard the well-being of the players and persons who attend Little League activities.

Any parent, coach, player, or spectator who has been suspended from league activities may petition, in writing, to the Board of Directors for a review of the penalty. The petition should be delivered to the League President. The Board of Directors will meet as soon as reasonably possible to consider the petition. The aggrieved parties will have the opportunity to present their appeal at a meeting.