

**SOUTH SURREY / WHITE ROCK MINOR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION**

**COACH'S CODE OF CONDUCT**

- Treat everyone fairly within the context of the sport
- Direct comments at the performance rather than the person
- Display high personal standards and project a favorable image
- Refrain from public criticism of fellow coaches
- Abstain from and discourage the use of drugs, alcohol, and tobacco products
- Refrain from the use of profane, insulting, harassing or otherwise offensive language
- Ensure that the activity being undertaken is suitable for the age, experience, ability, and fitness level of the athletes
- Recognize and accept when to refer athletes to other coaches or sport specialists.
- Allow athletes' goals to take precedence over your own
- Regularly seek ways of increasing professional development and self-awareness
- Treat opponents and officials with respect both in victory and defeat and encourage athletes to act accordingly
- Co-operate with athletes' parents or legal guardians, involving them in their child's development
- Be aware of the academic pressures placed on student athletes and conduct practices and games in a manner as to allow academic success

**You Must:**

- Ensure the safety of the athlete with whom you work
- Respect athletes' dignity, - verbal or physical behaviors that constitute harassment or abuse are unacceptable
- Never advocate or condone the use of drugs or other banned performance enhancing substances
- Never provide underage athletes with drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products

I agree to abide by the code of conduct: \_\_\_\_\_