

Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct

Parents and/or Guardians of West Winnipeg Minor Baseball (WWMBA) players will govern themselves according to the following Code of Conduct, which includes but is not limited to the following:

- Parents will ensure their player has proper equipment and is prepared for practices and games.
- Parents will ensure coaches are notified about player absences in a timely manner.
- Parents will ensure their player arrives at practices and games on time.
- Parents must remember that their child plays for his or her own enjoyment, not theirs.
- Parents will remember that children learn best by example.
- Parents will not argue balls, strikes, or any other judgment calls. They acknowledge that the Coaches are the designated team representatives and that Coaches will be the only ones to address any issues with the umpire(s).
- Parents will respect the coaches, players, opponents, officials, and program administrators.
- Parents must respect the player/team selection, team rules as laid out by the coaches and decisions and discipline standards laid out in the WWMBA policies and by-laws.
- Parents will not approach the coach, players and dugout at any time and will respect it as a place for the players and coaches only.
- Parents will address the coach or parent liaison in private, and in a calm and respectful manner.
- Parents will not ridicule, embarrass, demean, or abuse any player, spectator, official, coach or opponent.
- Parents will be responsible for their guests at their child's baseball games, encouraging them to respect and abide by the Parents/Guardian Code of Conduct.
- Parents are reminded it is illegal in Manitoba to consume alcohol or smoke near the playing field. This includes any area designated for use by the fans.
- Parents will follow ALL rules set out in the **WWMBA Code of Conduct, Complaint and Discipline**, and **Team Travel** Policies.

Parents with a concern that needs to be addressed with a coaching staff member will abide by the "24 Hour Rule". The 24 hour rule states any person(s) determine that any concerns, events, methodologies, or conduct requires to be brought forward for attention, then that person is to wait 24 hours after the event prior to initiating the contact. This "24-Hour Rule" allows for emotions to be set aside, placing the event in perspective, and enabling the opportunity for an objective evaluation and approach. The recipient of the information is then allowed 24 hours to respond, for the same purposes.