

# Parent Code of Conduct for 2018

The essential elements of character building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and good citizenship. The highest potential of sports is achieved when competition reflects these “six pillars of character.”

1. I will not force my child to participate in sports.
2. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
3. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
4. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.
5. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators.
6. I (and my guests) will not engage in unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing and taunting, refusing to shake hands, or using profane language or gestures.
7. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that endanger the health and well-being of the athletes.
8. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
9. I will demand that my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
10. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance. I will emphasize skill development and de-emphasize games and competition in the lower age groups.
11. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition. I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.

12. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.

13. I agree to never arrive in an intoxicated state to the field of play, stands, or baseball facilities and to never use alcohol, drugs, or any form of tobacco products at HMBLL events.

14. I (and my guests) will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.

My signature verifies that I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the consequences of the HMBLL guidelines on the Volunteer Code of Conduct.

Parent's Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

# Player Code of Conduct for 2018

The Code of Conduct applies to all Players immediately before, during, or immediately following any HMBLL practice, game, meeting, function or event.

1. I agree to never lay a hand upon, push, shove, strike or threaten to strike any of the Players, Coaches, Spectators or League Officials.
2. I agree to never direct personal, verbal or physical abuse against any of the Players, Coaches, Spectators or League Officials.
3. I agree to never encourage team members with abusive or derogatory comments about their opponents.
4. I agree to never display verbal or physical displeasure at anything that happens during practice or a game (player mistakes or fumbles, umpire's or league official's calls, who won, who lost) in front of any players, parents or spectators.
5. I agree to never throw gloves, helmets, hats, bats, or balls in a forceful unsportsmanlike manner.
6. I agree to never promote or use rough tactics during practice or games against another player.
7. I agree to never use profane, obscene, or vulgar language or hand gestures against or about any of the Players, Coaches, Spectators or League Officials.
8. I agree to never engage in any unsportsmanlike behavior such as (but not limited to) taunting, booing, or refusing to shake the opposing players hands in any practices or games, with any officials, coaches, spectators, or other players.
9. I agree to never engage in bullying any of my teammates or players on other teams.

My signature verifies that I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the consequences of the HMBLL guidelines on Code of Conduct.

Parent's Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

# Volunteer Code of Conduct for 2018

The Code of Conduct applies to all Board Members, Managers, Coaches, and other Volunteers immediately before, during, and immediately following any HMBLL practice, game, meeting, function or event.

1. I agree to never lay a hand upon, push, strike, or threaten any Official, Umpire, Coach, Manager, Player or Spectator with physical harm.
2. I agree to never verbally or physically abuse any Umpire for any real or perceived wrong decision or judgment.
3. I agree to never demonstrate dissent at an Umpires decision by throwing gloves, helmets, hats, bats, balls, or any other object in a forceful, unsportsmanlike manner.
4. I agree to never promote or use using rough tactics in the play of a game against any player.
5. I agree to never use profane, obscene, or vulgar language or any other behave in any other unsportsmanlike manner.
6. I agree to never arrive in an intoxicated state to the field of play, stands, or baseball facilities and to never use alcohol, drugs, or any form of tobacco products at HMBLL events.
7. I agree to never tamper with, or inaccurately manipulate any league schedule, roster, draft position, Player selection, official scorebook, ranking, financial record, or official procedure.
8. I agree to never publicly discuss with spectators in a derogatory or abusive manner any play, decision, or personal opinion of any Players, Coaches, Managers, Umpires, or League Officials during a game.

My signature verifies that I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the consequences of the Half Moon Bay Little League guidelines on the Volunteer Code of Conduct.

Parent's Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_