



Newport-Mesa Girls Softball Coaches Disciplinary Guidelines

Umpire Responsibility: The Umpire is the head official in charge of the game. In matters regarding play, Umpires shall deal directly with managers and coaches only. Decisions made by Umpire judgment are final. The Umpire has a right to stop a game in the event of conflict. The Umpire has the right to remove/eject a coach and/or parent from the field and dugout or possibly entire field premises. Umpires are to inform coaches as soon as possible of any misconduct involving a parent.

Coaches' Responsibility: Coaches are to abide by rulings made by Umpires at all times. Coaches are responsible for the behavior of all players, parents, and spectators on their team only; coaches may not approach members/parents/spectators of opposing teams; coaches are to only communicate with one another and the Umpire when dealing with disputes arising between opposing team's parents or spectators. It is the coaches' responsibility to remind all team members, parents, or spectators of their agreement to the terms and conditions of the Code of Conduct, and the consequences associated with improper behavior.

Physical or verbal abuse of a player:

The Board reserves the right to immediately investigate the matter at hand, and /or suspend anyone accused of physical abuse of a child. The alleged abuse shall be reported immediately to the police. Immediate suspension within Newport Mesa Girls Softball shall result until the accused has been cleared.

Coach Ejections

The Newport Mesa Girls Softball Board of Directors believes it is never appropriate for any manager or coach in a youth sports setting to act in a manner that would result in him/her having to be ejected from a game by an umpire or official. Any time a manager or coach is ejected from a game, the incident will then be heard by the Board of Directors. The hearing will be conducted by the VP/Player Agent or other appropriate board member. A majority of the board must be available to vote on a recommended outcome. The disciplinary procedure shall be as follows:

1st offense: Upon the first incident in any given season, the name of the ejected coach will be identified to the Board of Directors. A disciplinary hearing will then take place at the next Board of Directors meeting or sooner if agreed upon by a majority of the Board of Directors. After the hearing, the board members will consider a range of actions in light of the facts.

2nd offense: The second incident of a coach being ejected from a game will result automatically in an immediate until the matter can be heard by the Board of Directors. After hearing the case, the board will then either prolong the suspension or offer reinstatement with appropriate conditions.