



Batter's Box Team Rules and Policies

The following is what is expected of you as a Batter's Box player and parent of a player. Failure to abide by our code of conduct can result in the player and/or parent being suspended or removed from the team.

On-the-Field

Refrain from unsportsman like gestures, or language towards players, coaches and fans on the opposing team. This includes, but is not limited to, mocking, taunting, teasing and profanity.

All players will show respect towards the umpires and their decisions. All decisions made by the umpires are to be accepted as final and no player should argue a call or judgment. Only the Manager and Coach should question calls and judgments.

No team member shall throw his bat, helmet, glove or any other object in disgust or frustration on or off the playing field at any time.

Accept the coaches' decision regarding playing positions and the amount of playing time. There are no guarantees for equal playing time or position.

The Batter's Box reserves the right to release any player from the team for the following: poor sportsmanship by the player and/or the player's family during games - lack of cooperation - poor attitude - lack of commitment - negative actions toward a team member or parent

Team coaches may impose additional rules, guidelines and/or policies that players are required to follow. Failure to comply with these rules, guidelines and/or policies is a violation of your commitment to the team and may result in additional consequences.

Players will come to all Batter's Box practices in proper baseball attire. This includes a team issued shirt tucked in, baseball pants for outdoor practices, shorts are allowed for indoor practices, baseball belt and a baseball cap.

Off-the-Field

It is each player's responsibility to keep their grades at a satisfactory level. School and homework come first! We as coaches do understand if a player has homework or an important test the next day, but this is not a blank check to miss practice. Please set your priorities in order to balance your time and responsibilities.

It is The Batter's Box sole discretion to enforce penalties for off-field behavior. Trouble at school or with drugs and alcohol will result in severe penalties up to and including being kicked off the team.

Social media interactions via Facebook, Twitter, etc. need to be approached with caution. Be aware of anything posted that reflects negatively on yourself or The Batter's Box. If any interaction is deemed inappropriate by The Batter's Box consequences will be rendered.

If you cannot attend a practice or game, email, call or text your head coach as soon as possible.

Parents Code of Conduct

The Batter's Box staff expects all of our parents to handle themselves in a first class manner at all times. You choose our organization to help with the development of your son and we take this responsibility very seriously. Our staff will give 100% to make sure each player is treated fairly and has a memorable and rewarding experience.

The hardest job for any parent is to be objective about their child's talent level. Our coaching staff has years of experience evaluating talent at all levels. We field numerous calls every year from college coaches and MLB scouts about our older players. We never lie to them and we will not lie to you. Please allow us to do our job in order to field the most competitive teams possible at each age level.

- *Refrain from arguing with umpires, opposing parents or tournament officials.*
- *Do not confront the coach about any decisions made on the field during or after a game. If there is a concern you must wait 24 hours after the completion of the tournament. All of our coaching staff is very approachable and love talking baseball but please adhere to this rule. Once the 24 hour window has passed and you wish to discuss your concerns, DO NOT call or email and individual coach with the concerns, a meeting can be setup with Dustin Majewski, Clint Kuecker and the coach of the team.*
- *Do not call or email tournament officials about schedules, rules, weather updates etc. The tournament/league website will have updates posted as needed during an event. Calling or emailing the director will only slow the update process.*
- *Make sure your child is dressed in the correct uniform of the day.*

- *Refrain from entering the dugout or bench area during pre-game warm-ups and game time. Have drinks, seeds, cooling towels, etc... ready before the game. If you are needed, a coach will send for you.*
- *Do not belittle any player or coach on your team or from the opposing team.*
- *All social media interactions via Facebook, Twitter, etc...need to be kept in a positive manner. This includes other Batter's Box teams, opposing teams, players, coaches and parents.*

****Violation of any of the above will be subject to suspension or removal from the team****

Roster/Alternate Player Spots

Teams will consist of roster players and alternate players. If your son is considered a roster player he is responsible for his portion of tournament entry fees even if he is unable to play. Circumstances such as but not limited to, a player being injured for a long period of time will be evaluated on a case by case basis. Missing a tournament because of a vacation, reunion, wedding, funeral, etc. will still result in the roster player paying their portion of the entry fee. If an alternate is needed to play due to lack of players he will not be responsible for any portion of the tournament entry fee. Alternate players will be asked to play based upon the following: Position needed for that specific tournament - Attendance at practice - Length of time practicing with the team.

Player Accounts and Payments

All roster and alternate players will have a player account created for them at The Batter's Box. This account will be used to charge team dues. An invoice will be sent to the email address associated with the account when a charge is made toward the account.

All accounts will have a credit card on file from which payments will be applied towards the player account. (Please fill out and return the Credit Card Authorization Form attached to the front desk)

Fall/Winter Team dues will be split in two payments. Spring/Summer dues will be split in three payments. Payments can be made by cash, check, or by the credit card on file.

Player accounts can be used to charge individual lessons but may not be used for charges related to Pro Shop merchandise.

The Batter's Box staff thanks you for the opportunity to help develop your son as a player and as a person. We acknowledge players and parents dedicate a tremendous amount of time to the sport and we ask that you remember our coaches do as well.

Thank you and we look forward to a great year.

