

Loudoun South Little League Parent Code of Conduct

Trustworthiness ♦ Respect ♦ Responsibility ♦ Fairness ♦ Caring ♦ Good Citizenship

The essential elements of character-building and ethics in sports are embodied in these six core principles. We should all remember that our children learn through our actions and the examples we set. Parents, managers, coaches, spectators, and umpires should agree to support *ALL* players as they demonstrate their skills in friendly and fun competition. The other team is an opponent and not an enemy, and thus should be treated with respect at all times. While winning is important, players doing their best and playing fair is the spirit of the game.

To that end, we agree to agree to set a good example for our child in his/her baseball endeavors by adhering at all times to the following Code of Conduct:

1. We will not force our child to participate in sports.
2. We will remember that children participate to have fun, and that the game is for youth, not adults.
3. We will inform the coach of any physical disability, injury, or ailment that may affect the safety of our player or the safety of others.
4. We will teach our player to compete fairly and to abide by the rules of his/her respective division, and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
5. We will demand that our player treat other participants, Managers, Coaches, Umpires, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
6. We will teach our player that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that our player will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
7. We will praise our player for competing fairly and trying hard, but never ridicule or yell at or our player or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.
8. We will not encourage any behavior or actions by our player that would endanger the health or well-being of any other player, official or spectator.
9. We will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the players, officials, and spectators ahead of any personal desire we may have for our player to win.
10. We will cheer at all games within the spirit of fair play and shall do our best to cheer the effort regardless of the outcome.
11. We shall support the learning effort of the players, the Managers, Coaches, and Umpires by demonstrating our patience, and doing our best to teach our player to become a "student of the game".
12. We will learn the rules of the game as they apply to our player in his or her division and agree to abide by them.
13. We will demand an environment for our player that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and we will refrain from their use at all venues.
14. We and our guests will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as: booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
15. We will not criticize any umpire before, during, or after a game. All feedback or criticism shall be done **in writing** to the LSLU Umpire-in-Chief at umpires@loudounsouthlittleleague.org
16. We will not, in the interests of safety, enter the dugout, bench area, playing field, bullpens, or warm-up areas during the course of a game.
17. We will not, in the interests of safety, permit our player to leave the dugout, bench area, playing field, bullpens, or warm-up areas during the course of a game unless specifically directed to by a Manager, Umpire, or other LSLU official.
18. We recognize that improper behavior on the part of ourselves or our guests at a practice or game may result in the ejection of ourselves or our guests from the facility by an Umpire, Manager, Coach, or other LSLU official.
19. We understand that the privilege to watch our child participate may be suspended or revoked permanently by LSLU officials for continued rude, vulgar, inflammatory, derogatory, or otherwise inappropriate language, behavior, or actions.
20. We acknowledge that our improper behavior may result in disciplinary action against the Manager, up to and including dismissal from the team.
21. We acknowledge that the Umpire Crew Chief for each game has responsibility for **all** aspects of the game, including appropriate conduct by players, managers, coaches, and spectators, and is authorized to maintain a safe, fair, and friendly environment for all participants.

Loudoun South Little League What Parents should know about Little League Insurance

WARNING: Protective equipment cannot prevent all injuries a player might receive while participating in Baseball.

The Little League Insurance Program is designed to afford protection to all participants at the most economical cost to the local league. The Little League Player Accident Policy is an excess coverage, accident only plan, to be used as a supplement to other insurance carried under a family policy or insurance provided by parent's employer. If there is no primary coverage, Little League insurance will provide benefits for eligible charges, up to Usual and Customary allowances for your area, after a \$50.00 deductible per claim, up to the maximum stated benefits.

This plan makes it possible to offer exceptional, affordable protection with assurance to parents that adequate coverage is in force for all chartered and insured Little League approved programs and events.

If your child sustains a covered injury while taking part in a scheduled Little League Baseball or Softball game or practice, here is how the insurance works:

1. The Little League Baseball and Softball accident notification form must be completed by parents (if the claimant

is under 19 years of age) and a league official and forwarded directly to Little League Headquarters within 20 days after the accident. A photocopy of the form should be made and kept by the parent/claimant. Initial medical/dental treatment must be rendered within 30 days of the Little League accident.

2. Itemized bills, including description of service, date of service, procedure and diagnosis codes for medical services/supplies and/or other documentation related to a claim for benefits are to be provided within 90 days after the accident. In no event shall such proof be furnished later than 12 months from the date the initial medical expense was incurred.

3. When other insurance is present, parents or claimant must forward copies of the Explanation of Benefits or Notice/Letter of Denial for each charge directly to Little League Headquarters, even if the charges do not exceed the deductible of the primary insurance program.

4. Policy provides benefits for eligible medical expenses incurred within 52 weeks of the accident, subject to Excess Coverage and Exclusion provisions of the plan.

5. Limited deferred medical/dental benefits may be available for necessary treatment after the 52-week time limit when:

(a) Deferred medical benefits apply when necessary treatment requiring the removal of a pin /plate, applied to transfix a bone in the year of injury, or scar tissue removal, after the 52-week time limit is required. The Company will pay the Reasonable Expense incurred, subject to the Policy's maximum limit of \$100,000 for any one injury to any one

Insured. However, in no event will any benefit be paid under this provision for any expenses incurred more than 24 months from the date the injury was sustained.

(b) If the Insured incurs Injury, to sound, natural teeth and Necessary Treatment requires treatment for that Injury be postponed to a date more than 52 weeks after the injury due to, but not limited to, the physiological changes of a growing child, the Company will pay the lesser of: 1. A maximum of \$1,500 or 2. Reasonable Expenses incurred for the deferred dental treatment.

Reasonable Expenses incurred for deferred dental treatment are only covered if they are incurred on or before the Insured's 23rd birthday. Reasonable Expenses incurred for deferred root canal therapy are only covered if they are incurred within 104 weeks after the date the Injury occurs.

No payment will be made for deferred treatment unless the Physician submits written certification, within 52 weeks after the accident, that the treatment must be postponed for the above stated reasons.

Benefits are payable subject to the Excess Coverage and the Exclusions provisions of the Policy.

We hope this brief summary has been helpful in a better understanding of an important aspect of the operation of the Little League endorsed insurance program.

Parent/Guardian Signature and Date:
