

# HMBLL Code of Conduct

## 2010 Season

The following Code of Conduct applies to all Players, Board of Directors members, Team Managers, Team Coaches, Parents (volunteers or spectators – remember, Coaches, you are responsible for this part, too), relatives, visitors and spectators, immediately before, at any time during or immediately after a practice, a game or a team party.

1. I agree to never lay a hand upon, push, shove, strike or threaten to strike any teammate, coach, official or spectator
2. I agree to never direct personal, verbal or physical abuse against any teammate, coach, official or spectator
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 teammates, coaches, officials or spectators
5. I agree to never throw gloves, helmets, hats, bats, balls in a forceful unsportsmanlike manner or to purposefully abuse any Little League-owned equipment
6. I agree to never use rough tactics during practice or a game
7. I agree to never physically attack any teammate, coach, official or spectator. Battery is a crime and the offender will be reported to the Half Moon Bay Police Department and charges will be filed by the HMBLL
8. I agree to never use profane, obscene or vulgar language against or about any teammate, coach, official or spectator
9. I agree to never arrive for a practice or a game intoxicated or in any way impaired by alcohol, medication (prescription, or not) or other pharmaceuticals
10. I agree to never tamper or manipulate, or attempt to tamper or manipulate, any league schedule, roster, draft position, selection, official scorebook, ranking, financial records or transactions
11. I agree to never publicly discuss with spectators any play, league decision or personal opinion of any players, opposing managers or coaches or any League Official, during the game, in a derogatory, negative or abusive manner

# Policy for Enforcement of the Code of Conduct

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Following is the procedure that shall be used for the resolution of alleged violations of the Half Moon Bay Little League Codes of Conduct. This procedure is applicable to all members of Half Moon Bay Little League including (but not limited to) members of the Board of Directors, coaches, managers, umpires, players, parents, and their guests.

1. The Code of Conduct Committee shall be composed of the President of the Board of Directors, the Umpire-in-Chief, and the Player Agent of the respective division in which the alleged violation occurred.
2. Alleged violations of the Half Moon Bay Little League Code of Conduct shall be documented in writing and delivered to a representative of the League within 24 hours of the offense.
3. Player violations of the Code of Conduct shall be resolved by the team manager whenever possible. If an issue cannot be resolved, it shall be forwarded to the Player Agent of the division for appropriate action. The Player Agent of the respective division in which an alleged offense shall review the matter and attempt to resolve it.
4. If the Player Agent cannot resolve the problem, it shall be referred to the Code of Conduct Committee for resolution.
5. Should the Code of Conduct Committee review the matter and find the charge warranted, the following action will be taken:
  - 1st offense** - ejection for a minimum of one game
  - 2nd offense** - ejection for the rest of the season
  - 3rd offense** - person ineligible to return to Half Moon Bay Little League
6. Should a person be ejected for any part of the season, he or she may not be present at any Half Moon Bay Little League activity. This includes practices and ballgames for a team that on which he or she participates or on which his or her child participates.
7. A person may appeal the decision of the manager, Player Agent, or Committee by documenting the appeal in writing and delivering it to the Code of Conduct Committee for review.

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

Player's Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

My signature verifies that I have read, understand and agree to abide by and agree to the consequences of the Half Moon Bay Little League guidelines on the Code of Conduct. I have also read and discussed with my child participant the Player Code of Conduct and will do my best to positively encourage my child to abide by its contents.

Parent's or Legal  
Guardian's Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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