



FCFA Coaches Code of Ethics

The coach must be aware that he or she can be either a positive or a negative influence upon the development of the athlete. In all of his or her personal contact with the athletes, officials and parents, coach shall strive to set an example of the highest ethical and moral conduct. In keeping with that goal, the following ethical guideline should be observed by all adults coaching in the Four Corners Fast pitch Association Program.

The coach shall NEVER place the value of winning above the value of instilling the highest desirable ideals of character. The coach must always consider the personal safety of the athlete.

The coach shall be thoroughly acquainted with the rules and regulations of the competition, and shall be responsible for their interpretation to the team members. The coach shall not try to seek and advantage by circumventing the spirit or letter of the rules.

Game officials shall have the respect and support of the coach. The coach shall not indulge in conduct which will incite the players or spectators against the officials. Public criticism of the officials or players is unethical.

If you're ejected from a game by an official, you must appear in front of the disciplinary board.

The coach should respect his opponents, display gracious behavior during competition and require his or her players to conduct themselves in similar fashion. Before and after the event, opposing coaches should meet and exchange friendly greeting to set the correct tone for the event. Coaches shall actively use their influence to enhance sportsmanship by spectators.

The coach shall take an active role in the prevention of drug, alcohol and tobacco abuse, and shall, under no circumstances authorize their use.

The coach will return any and all Four Corners Fast Pitch Association equipment at the end of the season. If said equipment is not returned, the coach will be billed for the outstanding equipment.

I understand that, as a coach for the Four Corners Fast pitch Association (FCFA) I must go through a background check on a yearly basis. Also, regardless of previous appointments, the FCFA is not obligated to appoint me as a coach. I have also read the Code of Ethics and agree to abide by them. Failure to abide by the Code of Ethics may be cause for dismissal of coaching in the FCFA. I understand that FCFA also reserves the right to dismiss a coach at any time for any reason.