

San Leandro Girls Softball (SLGS) strives to create a positive atmosphere where children learn the game of softball, develop values and have fun. All members of the SLGS community have a role to play in creating this positive atmosphere. By joining the league both parents, players and coaches acknowledge and agree to the terms of all league policies.

## **Player's Code of Conduct:**

The SLGS has implemented the following Player's Code of Conduct for the sole purpose of driving home the important message it holds about the expectations SLGS has for each player and the player's conduct while they are in the SLGS league. By joining the SLGS players acknowledge and agree to the terms of the following:

- 1. I will treat each athlete, opposing coach, official, parent and administrator with respect and dignity regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
- 2. I will be a positive role model for my peers and promise to be honest, trustworthy, and will encourage and maintain a positive attitude by praising my teammates and opponents for a job well done.
- 3. I will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing, taunting, or arguing; refusing to shake hands or using foul language or gestures.
- 4. I will do my best at both practices and games and will be gracious in victory and dignified in defeat.
- 5. I will learn the rules of the game.
- 6. I will resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- 7. I will demand a sports environment that is free from drugs, tobacco and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all SLGS events.

## The Consequences:

I understand that if I do not follow this Code of Conduct, I may be subject to one or more of the following consequences:

When a player does not adhere to this Code, SLGS holds their coaches and managers accountable and empowers them to take necessary action. They have the authority to issue a warning or to ban from practices or games any player who violates this Code. Such actions may take the form of a verbal warning or a written warning. Documentation of all incidents will be kept on file by SLGS.

Players who are verbally abusive to coaches, managers, umpires, players or other adults involved in the league in a public setting will be removed from the practice or game. If the abuse occurs in another public forum such as e-mail distribution list, the abusive player will not be allowed to attend the next practice or game.

After three or more infractions, the player will be removed from the league for the remainder of the season. Reinstatement during a later season will depend on the outcome of a hearing before the SLGS Board.

