

# Parent Code of Conduct - Zero Tolerance Policy

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Spokane Indians Youth Baseball will be following a “Zero Tolerance” policy regarding inappropriate behavior for its upcoming seasons. This policy will encompass all interactions during the course of the season which includes but is not limited to practices, games, tournaments, all stars or any other league sponsored events.

The league, coaches, umpires, parents, and fans must make it a priority to promote fair play, good sportsmanship, and to teach our children how to play the game the correct way. Too often, we as adults can forget this goal of youth sports. Parents are required to read and understand this form. Our “Parent Code of Conduct - Zero Tolerance” policy is stated below:

- 1) It is the duty of all managers/coaches to control their players and spectators at all times.
- 2) Parents shall control emotions, emphasize the ideals of sportsmanship, ethical conduct and fair play.
- 3) Cursing, obscene or threatening gestures or language, harassment of any kind, malicious or personal remarks between opponents, players, spectators or officials on or off the field will not be tolerated and will be subject to disciplinary action. Anyone in violation will be immediately removed from the field or field area and forbidden to return until disciplinary action(s)/decision(s) have been made. If it's not positive, please refrain from saying it.
- 4) We will not question umpires' calls. Only **HEAD** coaches are allowed to address umpires.
- 5) Parents will remain off the field and out of the dugouts unless invited by the coach.
- 6) SIYB Board, umpires and all coaching staff are responsible for enforcing the rules and regulations on and off the playing field.
- 7) Parents will help emphasize team spirit, team unity, and team effort for team success.
- 8) Concerns, questions, or ideas any spectator has for any coach should be handled tactfully away from the field.
- 9) Any and all questions, concerns or reports regarding a disciplinary problem(s) and or action(s) can be directed in person to any SIYB Board member or by email at “info@siyb.org” Any and all information and concerns are strictly confidential and will not be shared with anyone other than the parties involved.
- 10) **If a spectator needs to be removed from the stands, it will be the coach's responsibility to ask the parent to leave. If the parent refuses, their team will forfeit the game. The parent will also be suspended from the following game.**

Our organization's goal is to ensure that our players, coaches, teams and parents have the best baseball experience possible. We believe that adherence to the above rules should ensure this goal. Realistically, there may be times that disciplinary action will need to be taken: Any SIYB Board Member, Commissioner or any on duty umpire can remove a parent (or guest of any parent) that acts in an inappropriate manner from the ballpark/facility. Repeat violations may lead to a full season, one year suspension and in severe cases permanent suspension.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
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