

## **ALL SOFTBALL LEAGUES**

## **MANAGERS RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Managers will be responsible to see that all their players know and abide by the rules as stated in the City of Plano Adult Softball League By-Laws. Further, managers are responsible for their players knowing and abiding by the City of Plano Adult Sports Sportsmanship Guidelines. If a manager cannot or will not control his/her players and spectators, he/she faces league sanctions ranging from removal or ejection to forfeiture of games.
- The manager shall be the official representative of the team unless he/she designates one of the players as a team captain prior to the start of the game. Only the **manager** or his **designated team captain** may discuss a call or decision made by the officials. The manager or the designated team captain is responsible for ensuring that the team cooperates with the umpires and City Staff.

## **SPORTSMANSHIP GUIDELINES**

- 1. Unsportsmanlike conduct is contrary to the basic principles of athletic sports. The Sportsmanship Guidelines document has been established for the protection of the participants, survival of the sport, and continuation of the league. Violation of the Sportsmanship Guidelines will not be condoned.
  - a. **No Person Shall**: At any time lay a hand upon, shove, strike, harass, or threaten an umpire. Umpires are required to immediately remove or eject the player from further play and report the player to City Staff
  - b. **No Person Shall**: Be guilty of objectionable demonstrations of dissent at an umpire's decision.
  - c. **No Person Shall**: Refuse to abide by an umpire's decision. Umpires are required to immediately remove or eject the player from further play and report the player to City Staff.
  - d. **No Person Shall**: Discuss with an umpire in any manner the decision reached by such umpire except the team manager or designated captain.
  - e. **No Person Shall**: Be guilty of using unnecessary rough tactics in the play of the game against a person of the opposing team. Umpires are required to immediately remove or eject the player from further play and report the player to City Staff.
  - f. **No Person Shall**: Be guilty of intentionally endangering a player, umpire, City Staff, or spectator.
  - g. No Person Shall: Be guilty of physical attack upon any player, umpire, City Staff, or spectator. Umpires are required to immediately remove or eject the player from further play and report the player to City Staff.
  - h. **No Person Shall**: Be guilty of an abusive verbal attack upon any player, umpire, City Staff, or spectator. Umpires are required to immediately remove or eject the player from further play and report the player to City Staff.
  - i. **No Person Shall**: Appear upon the field of play at **any** time in an intoxicated condition. Umpires are required to immediately remove or eject the player from further play and report the player to City Staff.
  - j. The Manager and Team Shall: Be responsible for the conduct of their fans and supporters. If fans and supporters become abusive towards opposing team members, umpires, or City Staff, they will place the team in jeopardy of forfeiting the game.