

Mansfield Youth Baseball ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

Mansfield Youth Baseball (MYB) runs its programs for the benefit of the children. MYB's goal is to teach the fundamentals of baseball in a fun and safe environment and to support a positive and competitive environment for the enjoyment of the game.

With this in mind, MYB has adopted a ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY. Any infraction or violation of the league's principles listed below will result in the individual and/or player being asked to leave the game and the complex. A second violation will result in removal of both the individual and player from MYB for the remainder of the season.

All parents are required to read, discuss with their children, and agree to this Policy as a condition of their children participating in MYB.

1. SPORTSMANSHIP AND RESPECT

Good sportsmanship is our most important value. Positive encouragement and support is always welcome. It is expected that every participant, which includes: managers; coaches; players; parents; and spectators, support all participants and not criticize or call attention to bad plays or mistakes by anyone. Players and coaches of the opposing team are to be treated with respect. Yelling at or interfering with another team by any player, manager, coach or parents will not be tolerated.

2. NO CONFRONTATION WITH UMPIRES

All persons associated with the team, including players, managers, coaches and parents, shall support the umpires. No one is to address, challenge or harass the umpire before, during or after the game – this includes parking areas. The exception is the team manager in cases that involve: responding to the umpire, making substitutions, pointing out emergencies, asking for a rule interpretation, or requesting a confirmation or consensus of a call from both umpires.

3. FULL CONSIDERATION TO COACHES AND PLAYERS DURING GAMETIME

Parents should not confront, harass, or demean coaches or players during a game. It is disrespectful, distracting, confusing and counter-productive. If parents would like to speak with their child's coach they should wait to contact their coach until the day following a game and arrange a separate meeting time that is mutually acceptable.

4. **IF YOU FEEL THE NEED TO BE INVOLVED, BE INVOLVED IN A POSITIVE MANNER**: There are many ways to be involved in MYB even if not coaching. MYB is a 100% volunteer organization and always looking for assistance. Please contact a coach or a Board member to learn more about volunteer opportunities.