

2012 SOUTHERN MAINE FLAME COACH & PARENT CONTRACT

In order to participate in the Southern Maine Flame Girls Softball Program, including practices, scrimmages, regular season games, tournaments, and /or any other team activities- coaches, managers and parent must follow these guidelines. Any violation of the contract agreement can expose the player and parent to suspension, expulsion or any other disciplinary action the coach and/or Board of Directors deems appropriate.

Coaches, Managers & Parent Guidelines

1. Coaches / Managers / Parents are expected to maintain appropriate levels of behavior as an example to the players.
2. Coaches / Managers / Parents are accountable for their behavior while engaged in any activity involving the Southern Maine Flame Players. This includes but is not limited to practices, games or team gatherings.
3. Coaches / Managers / Parents are not permitted to smoke while in the area of the softball field, during games and practices.
4. Coaches / Managers / Parents are not permitted to drink alcohol in the presence of the Southern Maine Flame player, prior, during and immediately following practices or game competition at the field or in parking area.
5. Coaches / Managers / Parents are not permitted to be intoxicated during any time the Southern Maine Flame is competing in tournament play that requires overnight accommodations. Alcohol use should be done with discretion.
6. Coaches / Managers / Parents shall not use foul language towards the players, coaches and officials.
7. Coaches / Managers / Parents shall not exhibit uncontrolled temper prior, during or following game competition.
8. Parents shall show respect to coaches, umpires and players at all times. If a parent wishes to address any issues regarding their daughter's participation on the team, they should do it during an appropriate time and with respect. Such inquiries should come at a time other than game or practice time. The coach shall make every attempt to deal with any issues in person with the parent or player, but this should not take place on the field, unless the coach deems it to be an urgent need.
9. The Coaches / Managers / Parents should not blame the outcome of the game on officials, coaches or individual players.
10. The Coaches / Managers / Parents shall not draw attention away from the game by behaving in a loud or inappropriate manner. Verbally criticizing officials, coaches, parents or players in a manner that allows other people to overhear your comments would be inappropriate.
11. The Coaches / Managers / Parents must at all times, in all aspects of their lives, attempt to reflect well on the team and the program. Coaches and Managers should attend games dressed in collared Flame shirts and decent looking shorts (not denim or running).

I understand and agree to the above guidelines for participation in the Southern Maine Flame Softball Program. I further understand that if the guidelines are not followed, suspension, expulsion or any other appropriate action may be enforced including forfeiture of fees paid. Finally, I understand that, once selected to a team, any complete or partial refunding of fees is not allowed except in the most unusual of circumstances. All requests must be made in writing and submitted to the Board of Directors by April 1st. In no event will refunds be approved on or after the April 1st following payment of said fees.

DATE: _____

Coach, Manager or Parent Signature