

**CITY OF SACRAMENTO
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES
RECREATION DIVISION**

The following “Player’s Code of Conduct” has been adopted by the City of Sacramento, Recreation Division and the Greater Sacramento Softball Association (G.S.S.A.). These rules of conduct will be strictly enforced. A violation committed in any activity conducted under the auspices of one of these organizations will be honored by ALL member organizations.

1. **NO PLAYER SHALL:** At any time lay a hand upon, shove, strike or threaten an official or staff member. Officials are required to immediately eject the player from further play and report the player to the League Director.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension for eight (8) games followed by a one (1) year probation period.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspended indefinitely from all City of Sacramento leagues and possible charges filed.

2. **NO PLAYER SHALL:** Refuse to abide by an official’s decision.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Immediate ejection and placed on a one (1) year probation.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspension for eight (8) games followed by a one (1) year probation period.

3. **NO PLAYER SHALL:** Be guilty of objectionable demonstrations of dissent at an officials decision or discuss an official’s decision unless said player is the team captain or assistant captain.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Warning by official.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Ejection from the game and considered for suspension and/or probation.

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4. **NO PLAYER SHALL:** Be guilty of using unnecessary rough tactics in the play of

game against a person of the opposing team or a physically attack on an opposing player, official, staff member or spectator before, during or after a play.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Ejection from the game and considered for suspension and/or probation.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspended indefinitely from all City of Sacramento leagues and possible charges filed.

5. **NO PLAYER SHALL:** Appear on the field of play intoxicated or under the influence of any uncontrolled substance or consume alcohol before, during or after the game. Officials are required to immediately eject the player from play.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension for two (2) league games.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspension for up to one (1) calendar year and then placed on probation for one (1) year.

6. **NO PLAYER SHALL:** Bring or play with an altered bat.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Batter, if not the owner of the bat, will be immediately ejected from the game. The alleged altered bat will be immediately confiscated by the umpire or staff and submitted for testing. If the bat is found to be legal, the bat will be returned to the owner.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: The owner of the altered bat will be suspended for a minimum of two (2) years and after their suspension will be placed on a one (1) years probation.

7. **NO PLAYER SHALL:** While on probation, be reported again for violating the “Player’s Code of Conduct”.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension for eight (8) league games.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspension for up to one (1) calendar year and the placed on probation for one (1) year.

Note: In cases of major violations, the City of Sacramento may request a hearing to have the individual and/or team suspended throughout GSSA (Greater Sacramento Softball Association). In such cases, GSSA, the Amateur Softball Association (ASA) local governing body, will appoint an Eligibility and Reinstatement Committee to hear the appeal.