



# CODE OF CONDUCT 2025/26

## INDOOR BALL



The atmosphere is different from summer slo-pitch. There is only one division made up with players of different athletic abilities be it hitting, catching or running. The players who sign up are there because they have heard how much fun it is and the camaraderie amongst the players. Winning is secondary to having a good time playing a game that we love.

### **Behaviour**

Players know that they will not be yelled at or be berated for mistakes made, by fellow players. Players are not to be discouraged when they make an error(s), fail to hit in key situations or make base running blunders. Players are to be treated fairly and respectfully by fellow players. Negative behaviour towards any player will be dealt with swiftly and immediately by your friendly Co-Convenors (Ron and Mike). All players will refrain from berating others, arguing umpire calls, using abusive language, or acting in any way that is detrimental to the game. The umpire may eject from the game anyone they deem to have "crossed the line". The convenors (Ron and Mike) retain the right for supplemental discipline including warning, suspension or expulsion.

### **Disputed Calls**

We will have two volunteer umpires and their call right or wrong is final. Players other than the manager will not dispute an umpire's call. That includes balls/strikes, fair/foul and asking for judgement, rule interpretation or anything else. The manager may ask their player for their interpretation of the disagreement and then the manager may present the position to the umpire. This communication will remain civil at all times and all parties will remain respectful at all times. Negative behaviour towards an umpire will not be tolerated and is not acceptable. Once again, the co-convenors will take the action necessary to convince you that your behaviour is not conducive to displaying good sportsmanship.

Players are playing indoor ball for a relaxed atmosphere and activity in the winter months. As stated previously, winning is secondary, having fun and enjoying the camaraderie with fellow players is primary.

We expect that anyone playing indoor winter ball agrees with the above principles and agrees to abide by them, and will always display good sportsmanship-not to do so goes against the spirit of indoor ball.

Ron Ottogalli and Mike Palenchar