

# Easton Girls Softball League



## Goals, Expectations, & Code of Conduct

We are excited about the **Easton Girls Softball League (EGSL)** season and are looking forward to a great time of developing new skills, making new friends, and having fun. Please review the EGSL goals and expectations below to be sure that they fit with your expectations and please let us know if you have any questions.

### Goals

We are committed to helping our players:

- Develop effective technical, teamwork, and sportsmanship skills.
- Play to the best of their abilities in a safe and healthy environment.
- Have fun, establish friendships, and develop a love for the game.

### League Expectations

The league and its coaches are expected to:

- Conduct practices and games in a safe, structured, organized, and active manner.
- Encourage teamwork and the development of friendships among the players.
- Promote winning softball by obtaining positive player effort and attitude during practice and by providing positive feedback for effort rather than results.

### Player Expectations

Players are expected to:

- Give their best effort at all times and to always show respect for the coaches, parents, umpires, and other players.
- Spend time outside of practice further developing skills and playing softball.
- Have fun!

### Parent/Guardian Expectations

Parents/guardians are expected to:

- Bring their player to practice and games on time (or to communicate to the coach in advance an inability to do so).
- Encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for coaches, other parents/guardians, umpires, and players at every game and practice (please cheer for players but do not yell instructions to them – let the players enjoy playing in the game).
- Communicate any safety, coaching, and/or player concerns with the coach and/or the league in a timely and appropriate manner.

## **Code of Conduct**

Parents, coaches, spectators, and officials involved in youth sports events should be models of good sportsmanship and should lead by example by demonstrating fairness, respect, and self-control. The EGSL asks that you be responsible for your words and actions while attending, coaching, officiating, or participating in all EGSL events and that you conform your behavior to the following code of conduct:

1. I will not engage in unsportsmanlike conduct with any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
2. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in unsportsmanlike conduct with any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
3. I will not engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety, or well-being of any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
4. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety, or well-being of any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
5. I will not use drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products while at an EGSL event and will not attend, coach, officiate, or participate in an EGSL event while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
6. I will not permit my child, or encourage any other person, to use drugs, alcohol or tobacco products at a youth sports event and will not permit my child, or encourage any other person, to attend, coach, officiate, or participate in an EGSL event while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
7. I will not engage in the use of profanity or any other offensive language.
8. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in the use of profanity or any other offensive language.
9. I will, and will encourage my child to, treat any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee with respect.
10. I will not engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
11. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to engage in verbal or physical threats or abuse aimed at any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
12. I will not initiate a fight or scuffle, or retaliate, with any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
13. I will not encourage my child, or any other person, to initiate a fight or scuffle, or retaliate, with any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.

Anyone who fails to conform to the preceding code of conduct while attending, coaching, officiating, or participating in a youth sports event will be subject to disciplinary action, including but not limited to the following in any order or combination: verbal and/or written warning issued by the Executive Board, immediate ejection from an EGSL event issued by the attending umpire, single or multiple game suspension issued by the Executive Board, and/or season suspension or permanent dismissal from the league issued by the Executive Board.