

Guidelines to the Coaches:

1. Make sure none of the teams put a display of unsportsmanship, Remember the incident when Sri Lanka spinner Suraj Randiv bowled a deliberate no-ball to leave Virender Sehwag stranded on 99 in a cricket tri-series match in Dambulla. **Under 10 Teams** Coaches make sure none of the kids deliberately bowl a wide or a no ball. Let's try to teach the kids the right kind of approach, behavior. These kids are really innocent and teaching them the wrong thing would not set the right precedent. We played with the same rule during the Youth DPL tournament none of the coaches ever misused the rules. Umipres will make sure the game is played in the right spirit.
2. It's important that the coaches don't compromise/bend the rules. These rules are designed so we can have a fair and competitive cricket, and if we bend it for one player, then other players might expect the same, and soon the tournament would become meaningless.
3. Each participant must have paid their dues, completed the registration and signed the disclaimer form before they participate. The player is expected to carry their own health insurance in case on injury or need of any medical attention. Youth Cricket League is only conducting the tournament, and is not responsible for any accidents or injuries during the games.
4. Treat every child like your own. Please note that the childrens are looking up to you, and the parents are also expecting you to help their child, so the coach must not show favors and try their best to help every player. If the coach gives more opportunity to one player than others, it would cause disinterest and frustration among both the children and the parents, and would have a negative impact on the progress of the league.
5. Parents want their children to do everything: batting, bowling and keeping. This is not possible. We want to train the players on a specific primary role in the beginning, and make sure the child understands their role and strives to excel at it. The roles and batting order would be defined by the coach during the game. The Coach would communicate with their team the roles/batting/bowling. All the parents must let the coach know about their availability for the coming game by Wednesday evening.
6. Everybody enjoys success, but how you react when you fail shows the mental strength of the player. We want to make gentleman sportsman who can smile in both success/failure. The feedback from coach to players should be positive and constructive. Sometimes the parent coaches take their own children foregranted, and start disciplining them on the field in front of everyone. This is not good for the moral of your child plus a bad reflection of you on other parents and players. So if you get angry or frustrated, its best to take a step back and cool down, as in that mood what might come out will most probably be not good.
7. The winning team's coach/scorer is also expected to upload the scoresheet of both the innings using the login/password provided to each scorer, so it can be posted on the website. This needs to be done by following Tuesday after the game.
8. Parents are not allowed to enter the field or get into discussion in case of issues. Each team has assigned Parent Coach(es) and he/she are the only person who needs to get involved in case of conflict.
9. A player showing tantrum on the field or negative behavior on the field could be warned by the Umpire and if the behavior continues, the Umpire can ask the player to leave the field. A player showing dissent to Umpire's decision will be penalized by being banned from participation in the following game. When the Umpire's finger goes up, the player must walk out. Respecting Umpire's decision is vital part of cricket training.
10. Once a call is made by the Umpire like stumping, run-out, wide, no ball, etc. are completely at Umpire's judgment and no matter what the coach or an outside parent think, it must be RESPECTED.

Note: (Don't forget, even at international level we see the Umpire's sometime makes a wrong call, but everyone respects the decision made by the Umpire and only the Third Umpire interferes with a video or sound evidence . Umpire himself can decide if he wants to reconsider his decision).

Remember to Leave the Parks and Fields Clean:

11. Field usage is a privilege given to us by the City of Plano and Allen Parks. Please show respect of playing fields by taking away all garbage when your game or practice is over. Garbage in – Garbage out.

Coaches are responsible for conducting safe, positive and instructive games and practices.