



PHBSA – Conduct Agreement

A1.2 — At the discretion of the presidents of all the participating associations, the following zero tolerance policy will be in force. Any verbal or physical demonstration against any umpiring decision will result in the immediate ejection of the offender without a warning. Prior to each game, each manager will verbally remind all team personnel, parents, and spectators of this policy.

- 1) Managers, coaches, players and parents of fans shall conduct themselves in a proper manner.
- 2) Managers are responsible for the conduct of the team including fans and coaches as instructed in the rules (*see A1.2 above*).
- 3) Any disputes shall be discussed with the umpire in a proper manner (involving a play, rules interpretation, etc.)
- 4) If the dispute is a judgment call involving a play and not subject to protest (remember only rule interpretations are subject to protest, refer to your rulebook) and the matter has been discussed and the umpire(s) has made his decision which will be considered final.
- 5) Managers/coaches who have a problem with a fan getting out of hand shall attempt to talk with him or her to settle them down. If the conduct continues and the umpire ejects the said fan after the manager or coach has talked with the said fan, then the manager/coach is relieved of the responsibility of the actions of the said fan at that time.
- 6) If the fan fails to leave after being ejected, the game shall be forfeited to the opposing team.
- 7) Intimidation of an umpire or any official shall not be tolerated. Intimidation is considered knowledgeable force or threat of harm to person or property in an attempt to influence the umpire and/or game official.
- 8) **Penalty:** An incident involving ejection of misconduct shall be investigated by the following hierarchy respectively: PHBSA Grievance Committee, PHBSA Board, Stark County Hot Stove League Association, Ohio Hot Stove Baseball League, Inc. Board.

1st Offense: 3 game suspension

2nd Offense: Suspension for remainder of season-6 game minimum including tournament games

3rd Offense: Permanent suspension from all PHBSA league games and/or events

**Each incident is subject to review by the PHBSA Board.*

League Official: _____

Manager/Coach/Player/Parent: _____