

SOFTBALL DRUG AND ALCOHOL POLICY

SC American Legion Post _____

Team Members

Abuse of drugs and alcohol is a nationwide problem that affects persons of every age, race, gender, and ethnic group. It poses risks to the health and safety of both the individual and the community, and The American Legion is committed to taking steps to reduce risks.

To do so, The American Legion Post ____ softball team has adopted this policy that establishes standards that all team members must meet and sets out consequences for those who violate this policy.

All team members must read and sign this stating that they understand the policy and the actions that will occur if they break it.

No team member shall report for any team related activity (practice, games, other sponsored functions) if they have used alcohol or any controlled substance, except when a physician has prescribed medication for a valid medical condition and the team member is taking it as prescribed.

Team members who are seen by a member of the coaching staff or another adult in a position of authority, using or possessing drug or alcohol, or in possession of drug paraphernalia (as defined in prevailing state law), during a team event will be subjected to discipline outlined below.

In instances where another person, such as team member, family member, or fan, reports a violation of this policy, the violation will be investigated on a case-by-case basis. If the person reporting the violation is willing to provide a written statement and /or testify in court (if needed), the report may be treated the same as if the violation was observed by a member of the coaching staff or an adult in the position of authority.

Alcohol: Possession or use of alcohol is a violation of state law for persons under 21 years of age. While alcohol is a legal substance for persons over 21, alcohol abuse is a serious health problem and violations will be treated seriously. Therefore, possession or use of alcohol by a team member, team representative or fans anytime while on the school grounds/playing field before, during or after a team game, practice or meeting will result in state high school federation rules being applied as well as any discipline deemed appropriate by American Legion.

Discipline:

Any offense will result in the player being suspended for the season.

The American Legion will not tolerate a second offense. A second Offense will result in player being permanently banned from playing.



**NOTIFICATION
OF DRUG AND ALCOHOL POLICY**

I acknowledge that I have seen and read the American Legion Softball *Team Drug and Alcohol Policy*. I hereby consent to abide by it and abstain from alcohol and drug use, as outlined in the policy.

I understand that any violation of this drug and alcohol policy may be discussed with and/or made available to my parents or legal guardians. I further understand that any violation of this policy may mean I will be removed from the team and/or it will affect my ability to become a team member in the future.

If/when I take over-the-counter or prescription medications, I agree to take them according to the directions, and to only take prescription medications prescribed to me for a valid medical condition.

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Date	<input type="text"/>
Signature	<input type="text"/>
Parent/Guardian Name	<input type="text"/>
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Date	<input type="text"/>
Signature	<input type="text"/>