

# Manteca Heat Tournaments

## Coaches Code of Ethics

The function of a coach is to educate players through participation in competition. Each player should be treated with the utmost respect, and his or her welfare should be considered in decisions by the coach at all times. Accordingly, the following guidelines for coaches have been adopted by Manteca Heat Tournaments, its Directors and Umpire in Chief.

- The coach shall be aware that he or she has a tremendous influence, for either good or ill, on the education of the player and, thus, shall never place the value of winning above the value of instilling the highest ideals of character.
- While playing in Manteca Heat Tournament Events, the coach shall uphold the honor and dignity of the profession. In all personal contact with players, officials, athletic directors, and the public The coach shall strive to set an example of the highest ethical and moral conduct.
- The coach shall not seek an advantage by circumvention of the spirit or letter of the rules.
- The coach shall exert his or her influence to enhance sportsmanship by spectators, both directly and by working closely with his or her coaches, scorekeepers/team mom and administrators.
- The coach shall respect and support contest officials. The coach shall not indulge in conduct which would incite players or spectators against the officials. Public criticism of officials or players is unethical.
- The coach should meet and exchange cordial greetings with the opposing coach to set the correct tone for the event before and after the contest.
- The coach shall not exert pressure on any Manteca Heat affiliate to give any player special consideration.
- The coach shall not scout opponents' players by any means other than those adopted by the league.
- Coaches are responsible for their fans, coaches and players. If a spectator is ejected, the coach will be ejected as well.
- Any coach ejected for any reason will not be allowed to coach the next game. They can be there, but cannot be on the field during the game and cannot coach the team from the stands. This will be strictly enforced.