



# NEWMARKET MINOR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION



## NMSA PARENTS CONTRACT

1. If you decide to become a coach, remember that you have a responsibility to all participants, not just your own child.
2. Don't tie special privileges or rewards to winning, but rather to hard work, good sportsmanship and personal accomplishments.
3. Let the coach do the coaching and the official do the officiating.
4. Be supportive of your child and respect their coach and his/her decisions.
5. Learn the rules of the game and respect them.
6. Don't be afraid to ask questions but do so in a respectable manner.
7. Respect the other children playing the game, cheer for them just as you would your own child.
8. Try not to yell from the stands (or sidelines) – it does not make your child play better.
9. Get involved – volunteer. Become an assistant coach, bring the half-time snacks/refreshments, or offer to drive the carpool.
10. Control your temper.
11. Help your child understand and accept the feeling of losing a game.
12. Enjoy watching your child play. Have fun and make sure your child does too!