

## WWBA Registered Members Code of Conduct

The **WWBA Registered Members Code of Conduct** has been developed for all registered members participating in competitions run by the WWBA as well as all registered members representing the WWBA in Representative games.

A Registered member's public behaviour will be closely observed by others as he/she represents his/her Club, Association or State in organized competition. Any behaviour that is unlawful or disrespectful to others is an insult and indictment of everyone associated with the team.

If, on report of an umpire, team or association official, there is a serious breach of the **WWBA Registered Members Code of Conduct**, the registered member will be cited to appear before the WWBA Judiciary Committee and shall be dealt with in the manner prescribed by the WWBA Disputes Procedure.

It shall be the duty of each Club to ensure all their registered members have read signed and aware of the **WWBA Registered Members Code of Conduct** and the procedures and consequences of breaching the Code. The observance of the **WWBA Registered Members Code of Conduct** shall be considered a condition of membership to the WWBA.

1. All registered members shall at all times compete by the competition conditions and rules and in the spirit and intent contained therein.
2. Registered members will not criticise or abuse umpires, opposing registered members or spectators either verbally or by gesture or manner.
3. Registered members will show respect for their opponents and their skills.
4. The use of drugs of any kind is totally banned unless prescribed by a licensed physician.
5. No registered member shall use indecent or profane language whilst in uniform at a venue used for the game of baseball. "Uniform" shall include the wearing or display of the Club or Association colours, badges, jackets, etc which implies an affiliation with the WWBA or NSW Country Baseball or any Club under the control of the WWBA.
6. The use of chewing tobacco is forbidden whilst in playing uniform.
7. Registered players shall not engage in any activity which is likely to result in loss or wilful damage to property or cause injury to any person.
8. Registered members shall not abuse equipment or place other registered members, umpires or spectators at risk of injury by throwing bats or helmets etc.
9. Registered members shall not eat or drink on the field of play. The consumption of food and drink will be allowed in the dugout.
10. Smoking is not permitted on the field or in the dugout.
11. Consumption of alcohol by players while participating in a game is prohibited.
12. Any registered player who, in the opinion of an umpire, is under the influence of alcohol will not be allowed to participate in a game controlled by the WWBA.

I hereby certify that I have read and agree to follow the **WWBA Registered Members Code of Conduct**.

Name ..... DOB.....

Signature..... Date .....

N.B. **Registered Members** is to include registered players and Non Playing Officials (NPOs).

**This form is to be retained by the Club and be available to the WWBA on request.**