

Michigan Batbusters 2015/2016

Coaching Rules and Standards

The Michigan Batbusters organization strives to be the premier fastpitch softball organization in the State of Michigan. We seek to provide an encouraging and developmental environment for our players so they may compete at the highest levels. We expect the best from our coaches in order to make this a successful, well run organization.

By agreeing to coach in the Michigan Batbusters organization, following and conforming to the rules and standards stated below is **mandatory**. If for any reason it is found that a coach is in violation of any of the rules or standards, he or she may be subject to removal from the organization by the Board.

1. Represent yourself, your team and the Michigan Batbusters organization in the most professional manner possible by conducting yourself in a polite, ethical and reputable manner.
2. Agree to the running of a background check on all Coaches.
3. Refrain from smoking, profanity and drinking at the fields – this is true for all events - practices, games, tournaments, tryouts and so on.
4. Handle conflicts as calmly and professionally as possible. Every team will institute a “24 hour rule” for handling conflicts. If the issue cannot be resolved, the Coach will bring it to the Board for resolution.
5. If your team is short players for a game or tournament, you will reach out to other Michigan Batbusters teams for subs as a first choice. Players from other organizations will not be allowed to sub in the organization unless there are no Michigan Batbusters players available with your required skillset (i.e. pitcher, catcher, etc.). Coaches may contact the Board if they need contact information for other coaches or players in the organization.
6. No coach shall prohibit a player from subbing for another Michigan Batbusters team unless it directly conflicts with your own game or tournament schedule. Alternatively, no coach shall knowingly allow a Michigan Batbusters player to play for an outside organization unless it is for the purposes of college exposure.
7. Participate in all Michigan Batbusters events, coaches and player training sessions and meetings as requested by the Board.
8. All teams shall wear approved Michigan Batbusters uniform items (jerseys, pants, belts, socks, helmets, bat bags, etc.) and apparel (i.e. spirit wear) ordered through Extra Innings or D4 Apparel. ANY individual team spiritwear (i.e. World Series T-shirts) must be submitted to and approved by the Board prior to ordering.
9. It is the Head Coach’s responsibility to collect \$100 per player (10u – 16U) or \$50 per player (18U-23U). They must submit one check per team payable to “Michigan Batbusters” no later than 9/15/15. Fees cover winter training (10u-16u), a Fall jersey and operational costs to MIBB.
10. A team roster must be submitted to the organization by 9/15/15 using the online form.
11. Fee Transparency – all fees collected and spent by the team should be accounted for and this information shall be available to your parents and the Board upon request.

I, _____, recognize that by signing this form I am agreeing to follow all of the above rules and standards and that failure to comply may result in my removal from the MIBB coaching staff by the Board of Directors.

(Signature)

(Date)