

**Code of Ethics for Coaches**  
**Spokane Girls' Fastpitch Softball Association**  
(Effective November 9, 1995)

Coaches in the Spokane Girls' Fastpitch Softball Association shall conduct themselves in accordance with the following Code of Ethics:

1. Coaches will treat each player, opposing coach, umpire, and parent with respect and dignity.
2. Coaches will place the physical well-being of their players ahead of any personal desire to win.
3. Coaches promise to review and practice the prescribed SGFSA first aid policy in treating injuries of their players.
4. Coaches will learn the fundamental skills, teaching and evaluation techniques, and strategies of fastpitch softball.
5. Coaches will do their best to organize practices that are rewarding and challenging for all of their players.
6. Coaches will insure that they are knowledgeable in the ASA Rules and that they teach those rules to their players.
7. Coaches will uphold the authority of umpires who are assigned to the games in which they coach.
8. Coaches will learn the strengths and weaknesses of their players so that they can place them into situations where they best benefit the team and improve their skill level.
9. Coaches will strive to utilize positive correctional approaches when dealing with players making mental or physical errors.
10. Coaches will lead, by example, in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all of their players.
11. Coaches will abide by the SGFSA Recruiting and Pickup Player Policy.