**Peninsula Softball Club**

 **Parents/Spectators Code of Behaviour**

Our club is committed to providing a safe environment for participation, nurturing and support of all our young players. Aggressive, threatening or other inappropriate behaviour by members, their families, their friends, and other sporting personnel while attending a game or event will not be tolerated.

As a parent or spectator I will:

1. Encourage training & participation by your child/children.
2. Encourage honest effort & skilled performance.
3. Remember that children are involved in organized sport for their enjoyment as well as yours.
4. Provide a model of good sports behavior for your child to copy.
5. Teach children that an honest effort is as important as a victory, so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
6. Encourage children always to play according to the rules and settle disagreements without resorting to hostility or violence.
7. Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.
8. Applaud good play by all teams.
9. Be courteous in your communication with players, team coaches, managers & softball administrators and show appreciation for their services.
10. Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
11. Respect officials’ decisions & teach children to do likewise.
12. If you disagree with an official, raise the concern through the appropriate channels (wait for a time to speak with the coach) rather than question the officials’ judgement and honesty in public. Remember, officials give their time and effort voluntarily for your child’s involvement and enjoyment that softball brings to them.
13. Do no coach from the sidelines.
14. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

**I have read the Code of Behaviour for Parents / Spectators and understand it & abide by it.**

**I agree to act in accordance with the guidelines set out in the Code of**

**Behaviour for Parents / Spectators of Peninsula Softball Club.**

**Parent / Carer Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent / Carer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**