

LEAGUE POLICY ON DRINKING AND VIOLENCE AGAINST UMPIRES

Managers, please remind your players there is to be no drinking of any alcoholic beverage before, during or after softball league games. Players caught drinking will be asked to leave the park. Teams and players unwilling to comply with this policy will be subject to forfeits and/or termination from the league. Also please pick up your belongings after your game and keep the Parks clean.

Managers, also remind your players that it is a criminal offense to hit an umpire. The league office will not tolerate any behavior of this type. Players could also be subject to criminal action and expulsion from the league.

243.8. Battery against sports officials; punishment definition.

(a) When a battery is committed against a sports official immediately prior to, during, or immediately following an interscholastic, intercollegiate, or any other organized amateur or professional athletic contest in which the sports official is participating and the person who commits the offense knows or reasonably should know that the victim is engaged in the performance of his or her duties, the offense shall be punishable by a fine not exceeding two thousand dollars (\$2000), or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding one year, or by both that fine and imprisonment.

(b) For purposes of this section, "sports official" means any individual who serves as a referee, umpire, linesman, or who serves in a similar capacity but may be known by a different title or name and is duly registered by, or a member of, a local, state, regional, or national organization engaged in part in providing education and training to sports officials.

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