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Prohibitions

Managers and Players shall conduct themselves in a sportsman-like manner at all times. No manager or player shall commit the following:

1. Lay a hand upon, shove or strike, or threaten anyone before, during, or after the game. Players and managers guilty of such conduct shall be immediately suspended from further participation in the game and shall be suspended until his conduct is reviewed by the Manager's Committee.
2. Refuse to abide by an official's decision. Players or managers guilty of such conduct shall be immediately suspended from further participation in the game and shall remain suspended until his conduct is reviewed by the Manager's Committee. Players or managers guilty of such conduct shall be subject to probation or suspension for the remainder of the season.
3. Be guilty of objectionable demonstrations of dissent at an official's decision. Players and managers guilty of such conduct shall be subject to suspension from further participation in the game.
4. Discuss with an official or officials the decision reached by such official or officials, except for the manager or his designee who are authorized to participate in such discussions. Players guilty of such conduct shall be subject to suspension from further participation in the game.
5. Use unnecessary rough tactics in the play of the game against the person of an opposing player. This includes infractions of the 5.1 and 5.2 base running rules. Players or managers guilty of such conduct shall be immediately suspended from further participation in the game and shall remain suspended until his conduct is reviewed by the Manager's Committee. Players guilty of such conduct shall be subject to suspension for the remainder of the season or expulsion from the league for life.
6. Be guilty of physical attack as an aggressor upon any player, manager, official, or spectator, before, during, or after a game. Players or managers guilty of such conduct shall be immediately suspended from further participation in the game and shall remain suspended until his conduct is reviewed by the Manager's Committee. Players guilty of such conduct shall be subject to suspension for the remainder of the season or expulsion from the league for life.
7. Be guilty of verbal abusive attack upon any player, manager, official, or spectator, before, during or after a game. Players or managers guilty of such conduct shall be immediately suspended from further participation in the game and shall remain suspended until his conduct has been reviewed by the Manager's Committee. Players guilty of such conduct shall be subject to suspension for the remainder of the season.

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8. Consume alcoholic beverages or illegal substances during the game or be upon the field of play at any time in an intoxicated condition. Players guilty of such conduct shall be immediately suspended from further participation in the game and shall be subject to probation or suspension for the remainder of the season.

9. Smoke on the field of play or in the dugout. Smoking on the field of play is prohibited. Smoking is discouraged and is handled at the team discretion.

Penalties

10. Given the fact that the above disciplinary rules will not cover every possible situation that may arise, the AZMSBL reserves the right to review and penalize misbehavior which it deems detrimental to the welfare and reputation of the League. The Manager's committee has the power to invoke banishment on a first offense.

11. Unless otherwise noted, any player suspended from further game participation (ejection) is subject to an automatic one game suspension, effective immediately. There is no appeal by the player to this one game suspension. Note: If 'BOTH' participating manager's appeal the suspension, the one game suspension will be postponed until the suspension is heard by the Manager's committee.

12. Suspensions, beyond the automatic one game suspension, will be in force upon notification from a board member to the player and the manager. Suspensions will begin with the next scheduled team game. Suspended players or managers may not attend team games.

13. A player found in violation of any provision delineated in the codes of conduct, after being placed on probation for the remainder of the season shall be suspended for the remainder of the season and may be subject to further penalty.

14. Any player found in violation of any provision delineated in the codes of conduct, after being ejected from a game shall be subject to suspension of further penalty.

15. Refund of registration dues. Any ejection, suspension, or banishment from the AZMSBL shall not qualify for a prorated or any other refund of the player's registration dues.

Grievances, Protests, Appeals

16. The Appeal Process. The appeal process cannot be a 'delaying tactic' so that the player can continue to play in games. If the suspension involves more than one game, the suspended player has 48 hours to notify the AZMSBL Board President by phone, fax, or email. No appeal can be made after this deadline. If an appeal is made within the required deadline, it will be reviewed by the Manager's committee. The suspended player must contact all involved Manager's and make the necessary arrangements (telephone calls, meetings, etc.) to review the appeal. In other words, the player, and no one else, will do all the work involved to pursue the appeal.

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17. Umpire's report. Unless it is found by the Manager's committee considering the appeal, that the umpire is obviously biased, great weight will be given to the umpire's version of the incident.

18. Past record and history of the player. In considering the player's appeal for facts of the incident as well as 'punishment," the Manager's committee may consider the player's past history in the league.