



WAVES FASTPITCH

Player Agreement 2021-2022 Season

The mission of **WEST END WAVES FASTPITCH ORGANIZATION (WAVES)** is to create a healthy, competitive, drug-free environment where young girls and young women can build their skill as athletes and people. We strive to afford opportunities to develop and enhance softball skills to compete at the high school level and beyond. Our athletes are encouraged to develop confidence, high self-esteem, and respect for the game to better support their future roles as quality citizens.

ORGANIZATION POLICIES / RULES

Player / Parent

- _____ _____ 1. The addition of new players and other roster changes are the discretion of the head coach.
- _____ _____ 2. The participation in another softball/fastpitch team/league is not permitted unless approved by the head coach. **This includes being a “guest player” on any other travel softball team.** School activities are excluded from this rule.
- _____ _____ 3. Players are not guaranteed a specific amount of playing time. Any concerns or disagreements should be discussed with the Head Coach of the team away from the field, practice field, and all other players and/or parents.
- _____ _____ **4. 24 HOUR RULE: ANY GRIEVANCES OR ISSUES THAT THE PLAYER OR PARENT NEEDS TO ADDRESS WITH THE HEAD COACH, MUST WAIT 24 HOURS AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF PRACTICE OR TOURNAMENT TO BE DISCUSSED. ANY PLAYER/PARENT CAN AND HAS THE RIGHT TO TALK TO THE PLAYER REP IF THEY FEEL THAT THEY ARE NOT GETTING A FAIR HEARING (AFTER THEY HAVE ALREADY SPOKEN TO THE HEAD COACH). THE BOARD HAS THE DISCRETION TO HEAR ANY ISSUES AS LONG AS THE PREVIOUS STEPS HAVE TAKEN PLACE.**
- _____ _____ 5. Players, parents and/or family members are encouraged not to post any **NEGATIVE REMARKS** on any type of **SOCIAL MEDIA** regarding the organization, another player, parent, or the coaches. Such postings can result in the player being suspended or removed from the team.

PLAYER RESPONSIBILITIES

- _____ _____ 1. All player selections will be final by the Head Coach. Prospective players will be evaluated on their overall athletic and academic skills. The player will remain on the team until they are age ineligible for that team, or display improper conduct on or off the field. Players and parents are expected to fully support all coaches and players on

the team. Negative comments about field play, umpires, other players or coaches can result in dismissal from the team. If improper conduct is displayed by a player or family member and the Head Coach has exhausted their means of handling the situation, it will be taken to the Player Rep. If the Player Rep has to contact the family due to this conduct by via email or phone this will be considered a warning and brought to the attention of the Board. If the behavior continues then the player will be dismissed from the team. There will be no 2nd warning.

_____ 2. **ALL PLAYERS** are expected to attend **ALL PRACTICES** and **OTHER ORGANIZED TEAM EVENTS** and put forth 100% effort. **PRACTICES ARE NOT OPTIONAL.** All absences, including practices, must be excused by the head coach and could result in lost playing time. All players must be dedicated and prepared to be at every tournament that is on the schedule. Texts and emails are not acceptable for the initial notice; you may follow up on the request with a text or email. Anyone missing a tournament or practice without prior approval could be dismissed from the team.

_____ 3. Before the beginning of the season, a player must receive prior approval from their Head Coach to miss a tournament. No player is allowed to miss more than one tournament during the "Season". (The "Season" includes both Fall 2021 and Spring/Summer 2022). Attendance at tournaments is paramount for the continued success of our program. Repeated absences create situations where players must play unfamiliar positions thus placing our program at a disadvantage. If your child misses more than one tournament per this agreement, your daughter will be removed from the team roster and you will forfeit your commitment fee and team dues.

_____ Family emergencies, school competitions (athletic, academic or extracurricular) and extenuating circumstances do not apply to this requirement, as long as head coach is informed.

_____ 4. Positive attitudes are a must at all times.

_____ 5. All players are expected to participate in all team fundraising activities.

FAMILY RESPONSIBILITIES

_____ 1. A player's family is their most important foundation. They need your support at all times on and off the field. Praise, do not criticize. Find the positive, not the negative. Listen, don't yell. Less Sarcasm, more empathy.

_____ 2. Each family is expected to participate in **ALL FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES** unless your financial obligation to the WAVES has been 100% met.

_____ 3. Families should plan vacations and other activities so as not to conflict with the team's practice and tournament schedule. Any conflicts need to be cleared immediately with the coaches and approved. Every player is vital to this organization and a missing link causes a very weak chain. SEE #3 PLAYER RESPONSIBILITIES

_____ 4. Each family needs to provide health and accident insurance information for their child. WAVES insurance is only a supplemental policy. In the event of an injury, the parents will be responsible for any deductibles required by either policy.

_____ 5. Each family will read, initial, and sign the Player/Parent Agreement. There will be a **REQUIRED \$100.00 DEPOSIT** for new players upon receiving Waves-provided uniform pieces. The uniform deposit will be refunded after the player leaves the team on the following conditions: all dues are paid in full, returned within 5 days of leaving the team and in good condition.

_____ 6. Each family will pay a commitment fee that is due with the commitment letter in the amount of **\$200.00 PER PLAYER for RETURNING PLAYERS** and **\$300.00 PER PLAYER for NEW PLAYERS**. No fundraising or carryover funds can be used for commitment fee. This fee will be credited to your dues for the "Season."

FINANCES

Each family is expected follow the payment schedule listed below (unless paid in full):

COMMITMENT FEE DUE WITH RETURN OF COMMITMENT LETTER OR BY AUGUST 15, 2020.

- **40% of Remaining Balance** (Season Dues minus Commitment Fee)
DUE BY September 15, 2021
- **30% of Remaining Balance** DUE BY November 15, 2021
- **Final 30% of Remaining Balance** DUE BY February 1, 2022

DUES PAID IN FULL BY SEPTEMBER 15, 2021 WILL BE DISCOUNTED \$25!

Money can be paid either by fundraiser, sponsor or parent payment. We will accept a check in person to our Treasurer, by mail to WEST END WAVES, 9206 Hartley Hill Court, Glen Allen VA 23060, or by debit/credit card on our website, WestEndWaves.com.

Special payment arrangements can be made prior to the start of the season individually and confidentially with the Treasurer.

_____ **I UNDERSTAND THAT FAILURE TO KEEP YOUR ACCOUNT CURRENT BEYOND THESE DATES WILL RESULT IN SUSPENSION FROM TEAM ACTIVITIES UNTIL FEES ARE PAID UNLESS APPROVED BY THE BOARD.**



WAVES PLAYER AND PARENT AGREEMENT 2021-2022 SEASON

We have read and understand both the meaning and the spirit of the above, and agree to abide by these general guidelines. By signing this agreement, I understand the WAVES Fastpitch Season begins September 1, 2021, and ends August 31, 2022.

We are committed to play for the Waves Organization for the entire 2021-2022 Season.

(Please write clearly)

Coach: _____ Date: _____

Player: _____ Date: _____

Parent 1: _____ Date: _____

Parent 2: _____ Date: _____

*We the parents guardian of _____ know that participation in fastpitch softball may result in serious injuries. I/we know that protective equipment does not prevent all injuries to players, and do hereby waive, release, absolve, and hold harmless, the WAVES Fastpitch Organization, its Board, Coaches and all Sponsors.

PLAYER CONTACT INFO (Please write clearly)

Player Name _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address(es): _____

Mobile Phone(s): _____
