

Gateway Zero Tolerance Policy

Gateway has a zero tolerance policy to protect the players, coaches, officials and the League. It is expected that everyone in attendance and/or is involved in Gateway activities will abide by this policy and our Code of Conduct.

Zero Tolerance includes the negative verbal or physical behavior directed or inflicted toward another person or persons within the playing field and its immediate surrounding spectator areas.

This includes the following:

- Player to another player or players
- Player to coach
- Player to umpire(s)
- Coach to coach
- Coach to umpire(s)
- Coach to player(s)
- Parent/Fan to coach(es)
- Parent/Fan to umpire(s)
- Parent/Fan to player(s)
- Or any other combination there-of

Gateway has the authority to request those persons involved in such activity be removed from the field. The League and its officiating crew can stop a game and make these recommendations with the game held until such time as the removal of the persons involved in any confrontation or other negative behavior has been resolved and has vacated the premises. If required, Gateway also has the direction to request police presence to help resolve any issue.

Gateway will remove players and spectators from the fields of play if needed. Suspensions and expulsions are tools in place if needed.

Gateway and its Board has the support of both the local District and State Commissioners offices of Cal-Ripken Baseball and Babe Ruth League Baseball.

Umpire Interaction Policy

(Administrators, Managers, Coaches, Players, Parents) are expected to support our umpiring staff. Failure to do so will undermine the umpire's authority and has the potential of creating a difficult environment for players, the umpire, and all of the other participants and spectators. Participants are prohibited from arguing judgment calls with the umpires, verbal insults (even if not heard by the umpire) or other types of adverse comments which range from direct confrontation to more subtle activities such as yelling out the calls before the umpire has made a determination.

Managers are responsible for enforcing these rules on their benches and with their parents and fans.

Thank you all for your consideration.