# <u>GT SHOCKERS DRESS</u> <u>CODE</u>

All players, coaches, and parents in this organization must adhere to the following guidelines concerning our GT Shocker dress code.

Any player, coach, or parent that is found to be out of dress code compliance is subject to disciplinary action including monetary fines, suspension, and up to player termination from the organization if the problem persists. This will be up to the individual manager of each team to enforce these guidelines for the organization.

If a problematic situation continues to show itself to the organization, with the same player, coach, or parent being the culprit, the Board of Directors will intervene and do what is necessary to remedy the situation.

We are here to set the right examples for our players to prepare them for what's ahead. Structure and discipline is an absolute must at the elite levels.

These guidelines will be broken down into three separate sections:

**Section 1 – PLAYERS** 

Section 2 – COACHES

**Section 3 – PARENTS** 

# **Section 1 - PLAYERS**

#### **Tournament Uniform Requirements:**

**Friday Games:** navy pants, navy jersey, maroon socks, maroon belt, navy undershirt (optional).

<u>Saturday Games:</u> navy pants, gray jersey, maroon socks, maroon belt, navy undershirt (optional).

**Sunday Games:** navy pants, maroon jersey, maroon socks, maroon belt, navy undershirt (optional).

October Games: navy pants, hot pink jersey, hot pink socks, hot pink belt, navy undershirt (optional). This set is only to be worn on Saturday during the month of October.

The only exception for any team to deviate from this whatsoever will be when there are two teams playing in the same age division at the same tournament on any given weekend. The coaches will have to get with one another to coordinate who will wear what on each day they might have to play one another.

#### Socks:

In tournaments, socks will be Under Armour in solid maroon color. All socks must go up to the knees in length.

For practice, socks can be any brand in any solid color to match the practice uniform. All socks must go up to the knees in length if you are wearing long pants. Wearing shorts to practice will allow short socks to be worn.

#### **Cleats:**

Showcase Teams (14s, 16s, 18s) - metal cleats will be navy & white Under Armour for tournament play. When playing on turf fields, black Under Armour plastic cleats will be worn for tournament play.

Under Armour models and colors may vary from year to year so the Board will make adjustments as necessary depending on what is offered from season to season. A special exception may be made in the case where these shoes are not yet available. Any deviations from this must be approved by the Board of Directors.

Junior teams (8s, 10s, 12s) – plastic cleats may be black, navy, maroon, white, or customized to team colors in any brand of choice for tournament play.

For practice, cleats can be metal or plastic in any brand and in any color for all age groups. This will be based on park rules.

No metal cleats allowed at Ford Park at any time for any reason.

# **Batting gloves:**

In tournaments, batting gloves will be any brand that is either black, navy, gray, maroon, or white in color.

Pink batting gloves may only be worn during the month of October for breast cancer awareness.

For practice, batting gloves can be any brand in any color.

# Wrist Bands / Head Bands:

In tournaments, can be any brand that is navy, maroon, gray, black, or white in color. Athletic tape may also be used when needed.

Pink wrist bands or head bands may only be worn in the month of October for breast cancer awareness.

# **Belts:**

Will be solid maroon in color and are to be worn in every tournament.

In practice, belts are optional and do not have to be worn.

# <u>Under Shirts:</u>

All under shirts, whether long or short sleeve, should be a solid navy color for tournaments.

Each player may decide individually whether they wear a long sleeve, short sleeve, or no under shirt at all.

# Pants:

We have one type of acceptable tournament pants required to be purchased by all teams - navy Under Armour with belt loops. Belt loops are a must for tournament play.

If Under Armour does not come in youth sizes, the organization will make an exception for those individual players only. The players should find as close of a match as possible.

In practice, gray or navy pants of any kind may be worn.

All pants must stop at the knees and overlap the top of the socks.

No ankle length baseball pants allowed to cover the bottom of the socks.

# Game Jerseys / Practice Shirts:

We have 4 acceptable tournament tops required to be purchased by all teams:

- 1 Maroon Under Armour with sleeves.
- 2 Navy Under Armour with sleeves.
- 3 Gray Under Armour with sleeves.
- 4 Hot Pink Under Armour with sleeves.

Uniforms are to be worn as designed. No rolling up or tying up of the sleeves. All uniforms should be tucked in at all times while in the public eye.....this includes the practice field.

In practice, any GT Shocker practice shirt can be worn.

The hot pink "Relentless Competitor" t-shirts may be purchased by the head coach of each team, or someone he or she has designated to represent each team. At no time will any parents or players be allowed to purchase these shirts. These are to be given out to the player of the week by the coach, and will be picked up at the end of each week from that same player. The team will own these shirts.....no exceptions.

#### Jackets:

In practice and in tournaments, we have a navy windbreaker and a navy hoodie.

If either are worn in a game, it must have our logo on the front and at least the players number on the back, preferably a small number on the front bottom left as well (heart side of body).

We will only wear jackets in a tournament as necessary depending on inclement weather. Weather permitting, no player is to wear a jacket of any type during a tournament while on the playing field unless it is truly cold enough for such jacket. This will be determined on an "as needed" basis by the head coach of each team.

Jackets and blankets may be used in the dugout area and during warm ups at any time.

At practice, Shocker hoodies and windbreakers may be worn as players see fit.

# Hats:\_

All hats or visors will be worn facing forward like they are designed to be worn. No GT Shocker hats or visors are to ever be worn cocked to the side or turned around backwards.

# Helmets:

Will be solid white in color with a navy facemask and our GT logo on the front. The back of the helmet will have the player's # and a "Shockers" sticker across the bottom of the back of the helmet (directly underneath the player's #).

Any matching chin strap will be acceptable as long as it is either base black, white, navy, or maroon in color.

# **Section 2 - COACHES**

# **Tournament Uniform Requirements:**

Friday Games: maroon top, navy undershirt (optional)

Saturday Games: maroon top, navy undershirt (optional)

Sunday Games: navy top, navy undershirt (optional)

All official coaches / recruiters for each team should match each other as consistently as possible. The manager will coordinate the weekend's dress code for each team but the Friday, Saturday, Sunday guidelines that are spelled out above must be adhered to.

# Socks:

During tournaments, must be black or white ankle socks when shorts are worn.

# Shoes:

During tournaments, black tennis shoes or any other appropriate matching color tennis shoe that conforms to our organizational colors.

In practice, shoes & socks can be any choice.

# Pants / Shorts:

During tournaments, coaches must wear khaki or navy shorts, or khaki or navy dress pants. May also choose to wear khaki or navy wind pants during the cooler months. No blue jean shorts or blue jean pants are to be worn at any time during a tournament. Absolutely no homemade cut off blue jean shorts are to ever be worn at any time.

In practice, any appropriate dress will be acceptable including work clothes, blue jeans, and tailored blue jean shorts that are in good condition.

# **Belts:**

During tournaments, if dress shorts or dress pants with belt loops are worn with a tucked shirt, a black or brown dress belt is to be worn.

No belt is required at practice and no belt is required with a coaches pullover top that is designed to not be tucked in.

# <u>Shirts:</u>

For tournaments, coaches will have the option of either a navy or a maroon polo shirt that is to be tucked in.

May also choose to wear the navy or maroon short sleeve player shirts which will also be tucked in during tournament play.

A third option is for the coaching staff to wear the navy or maroon pullovers which eliminates the need to be tucked in during tournament play.

For practice, tucked shirts are not required for coaches.

# **Under Shirts:**

For tournament play, all under shirts (whether long or short sleeve) should be a solid navy in color as described above.

#### Jackets:

During tournaments, Shocker hoodies, Shocker windbreakers, or Shockers inclement weather gear (that has been approved by the Board) may be worn.

During practice, no restrictions on jackets, but coaches should do their best to adhere as closely as they can to GT colors and apparel. Special exceptions will be made for inclement weather situations.

### Hats:

In tournaments, visors may also be worn in lieu of our approved baseball type hats, but they must also have the same logo and be worn facing the front as it was designed to be worn.

No GT Shocker hats or visors are to ever be worn cocked to the side or turned around backwards.

# **Section 3 - PARENTS**

Parents will have much more flexibility with what they wear as long as it is appropriate and does not discredit the organization in any way. Our vendors offer parents several choices of merchandise to choose from.

Tank tops are approved for the mothers, but must be worn in a respectful manner.

Absolutely no homemade type cut-off shirts are to be worn at any time.

Parents, please remember that everything you do is a direct reflection of your daughter and our organization.....please use common sense.