

SafeKids Program

The following is the policy of the Manchester & Essex Little League, Inc.:

- * **Manchester & Essex Little League Inc.** is committed to provide a safe environment and to prevent child abuse and sexual misconduct.
- * **Manchester & Essex Little League Inc.** will make every reasonable effort to ensure that every person involved in coaching/training a sport activity will abide by the SafeKids guidelines.
- * **Manchester & Essex Little League Inc.** will make every reasonable effort to exclude any adult with a legally documented history of child abuse/molestation or any other record that would bring unnecessary risk to the health and safety of the participants of this organization. Therefore, every person applying for a position as a coach/trainer must complete an Employee Disclosure Statement. (see attached)
- * **Manchester & Essex Little League Inc.** will take appropriate action on all allegations of child abuse and/or sexual misconduct. All allegations will be reported immediately to the authorities for investigation and will cooperate fully with any such investigation.

To follow is a list of preventive measures which should be taken:

- Physical, mental, and verbal abuses are forbidden.
- Inappropriate touching is forbidden.
- Coaches/trainers should not socialize with the participants outside of the sponsored activities of the organization.
- Coaches/trainers should not ride solo with a child.
- Parents are encouraged to attend sponsored activities.
- If a child needs special attention (one-on-one), do it with the assistance of another adult.