## **How To Become A Softball Coach**

Do you have the desire to become a softball coach? Desire is the number one quality you must have . Too many, want to be coaches, decide to start coaching for all the wrong reasons.

The first reason, that comes to mind, is usually a playing time issue for their own daughter. This could possibly be the absolute worst reason. If this is the lone reason you are going to try coaching for, you will never gain the respect of your full team. Without total respect, your team will never be the showcase team your daughter needs to be playing on.

The second reason for a lot of people wanting to learn how to become a softball coach is to be a better coach to a team than what they are seeing now. This is actually a noble reason. Just make sure that you are putting yourself in the other coaches shoes. Does the coach have the support of parents? Does the

coach actively try to educate themselves in the game of fastpitch? Will you have the support of your team's Parents? Are you willing to go above and beyond to educate yourself in all aspects of fastpitch softball?

In your quest of how to become a softball coach, the respect and support of your players and parents is a must. You can have the very best fastpitch drills, the perfect practice plans, even the best athletes, but without total respect and support, you will have a hard time making the grade.

If you have the ability to demand respect, the desire to continue your softball education, and the time to become a coach, then the following steps should help you out.

**How To Become A Softball Coach Step One** 

Your local recreation department is usually the best place to

start. They are normally looking for someone to coach at almost every level of softball. If you have a lot of experience in softball, you might apply for a head coaches position. If not offer to help from an assistant coaches position or maybe even a coaches helper. If all else fails, go with your daughter to practice and offer your services to the head coach. If you do not have a daughter playing on a team then I would suggest going through the recreation department for the fact that you could draw the wrong kind of attention just showing up at a teams practice and hanging around.

## **How To Become A Softball Coach Step Two**

Once you are on the team pay attention to the needs of the team.

This is a little different than what you wil learn from a lot of people. I just know that the needs of the softball team must be met. The coach that goes into this head strong and bent on doing this their way will miss out on the real things that will make

you a winning softball coach.

If you have an athlete that is having a hard time committing to the hard grounder, talk to them and find out if they have been hit before or if they just have a fear of being hit. Both situations require a different approach. Communication with your team is the best weapon you can have in your coach's arsenal. Remember it is important to be your players friend when possible. It is your duty to be their coach first.

**How To Become A Softball Coach (conclusion)** 

I can not stress the importance of education enough. There are a lot of different aspect to softball. Learn all you can about all you can. The more you know about the game of softball, the better a coach you will become

