

Code of Conduct

OVERVIEW

All youth participating in the hockey programs of the Milton Minor Hockey MMHA enjoy the following rights and are entitled to the protection of these rights.

• **SPORTSMANSHIP**: You have the right to participate in a program in which sportsmanship, honesty and integrity are the cornerstones.

• **RESPECT**: You have the right to respect your coaches, coaching staff, your team-mates, the coaches, coaching staff and players of the opposing team, the referees, and spectators and each of them has the right to expect the same of you.

• **PARTICIPATION**: You have the right to participate fully in the activities of your team, but not necessarily equally.

• **SKILL DEVELOPMENT**: You have the right to learn about your sport and develop your skills to the maximum of your potential.

• FREEDOM FROM ABUSE: You have the right to say no to physical contact or interaction with any member of the coaching staff or any other person in a position of authority or influence.

- FREE SPEECH: You have the right to speak freely without fear of recrimination.
- FAIR TREATMENT: You have the right to be treated fairly and with impartiality.
- FUN: You have the right to have fun.

MMHA upholds a zero-tolerance policy for drugs and alcohol at any Association events or activities regardless of location for its members and any individuals attending or participating. MMHA accepts responsibility for the behaviour of its members and will take the necessary disciplinary action against any individual (Parents/Guardians, players, coaches, coaching staff and spectators) who fail to comply with the codes; this may result in disciplinary measures, including suspension and/or expulsion.

COACHES AND COACHING STAFF CODE OF CONDUCT

1. I will lead by example, and I will work to create a desire for our players to do their best while playing the greatest game on earth – Hockey.

2. I will remember that players need a coach they can respect. I will be generous with praise and always set a good example through my actions and words.

3. I will teach my players to play fairly and to respect rules, officials, team-mates, opponents, parents/ guardians, and spectators.

4. I will ensure my players get fair instruction, support and playing time.

5. I will not ridicule or yell at my players for making mistakes or for performing poorly.

6. I will remember that players play hockey to have fun and must be encouraged to have confidence in themselves.

7. I will obtain proper training and will continue to upgrade my coaching skills.

8. I will be reasonable when scheduling extra practices and team events, remembering that players have other interests and obligations.

9. I will co-operate with on and off ice officials for the benefit of the game and players.

10. There is a need for regular, open communication with parents/guardians, coaching staff, players and Association officials. As a coach I will be approachable at any time regarding anything to do with players or the team 24 hours after a game.

11. I will be responsible for all activities associated with my team.

Print Name :

Signature :

Date:

Team Name (Age and Level)