



ORONO YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

To participate during the 2023-2024 Orono Youth Hockey Association ("OYHA") season, I,
_____ agree to the following Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct:

I understand that:

1. It is a privilege, not a right, for my child to play youth hockey.
2. It is a privilege, not a right, for me to participate in OYHA activities.
3. Sportsmanship and fair play are essential to the sport of hockey and are important skills that our children learn from youth hockey.
4. Our children learn from our example and we as parents need to exemplify the highest level of sportsmanship by supporting all participants including players, coaches, team managers, referees and parents.
5. Any parent or guardian who cannot abide by and/or violates these rules will be subject to disciplinary action.

Because I understand the above, I agree to the following Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct:

1. I will respect and adhere to all Rules, Regulations, and Code of Conduct for the OYHA, District 3, Minnesota Hockey and USA Hockey.
2. I will follow and adhere to Safe Sport Rules and OYHA's Locker Room Policies and I will report any violations of either policy to the OYHA Board.
3. I will not verbally, physically, or mentally abuse other parents, players, coaches, or team managers nor will I encourage or support others that engage in such behavior and I will report inappropriate behavior per the guidelines outlined above.
4. I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, fans, volunteers and referees at practices, scrimmages, and games.
5. I will be supportive of the volunteers including coaches and officials who dedicate their free time to the betterment of players, their families, and the game.
6. I will not create a public display of anger toward coaches, players, officials, and/or spectators either in-person, e-mail, letter, texts, social media and/or phone calls.
7. I will address any concerns regarding my player to the Coaches Board, including, but not limited to, frustration or anger over my player's ice time, usage, position, or coaching. I will not address any of these topics with my player's coach.
8. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during practices and games.
9. I will accept responsibility for my actions as well as the actions of my child during all OYHA sponsored activities, including practices, scrimmages, games, tournaments, and/or out of town travel.
10. I will accept responsibility for any guests that come to an OYHA event on my behalf.
11. I will remove myself from an ice rink at any USA Hockey sanctioned event if asked to do so by an official, rink personnel and/or OYHA Board Member. I will self-report this incident to the OYHA Board within 3 days of the event.

12. I will not use social media to make inappropriate or disrespectful comments or convey disregard towards others before, during, and/or after a game. If filming/streaming a game, any commentary shall be in-line with the OYHA Handbook and the Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct.
13. I will accept and support my son/daughter with the following **Official OYHA Attendance Policy**:
 - a. It is expected that OYHA will be the primary commitment for all players during the hockey season.
 - b. All practices, meetings, scrimmages, and games are considered mandatory unless excused or designated as optional by my coach. Excused absences include, but are not limited to, injury or illness, religious conflict, family emergency, and/or mandatory school activities/events.
 - c. Any conflict arising from participation in other sports/teams during the OYHA season will be considered an unexcused absence. This includes other club hockey teams. Players with unexcused absences can expect reduced playing time and/or suspension from games.
 - d. Commitments outside of OYHA are vital to my off-ice development and I will make the personal sacrifices necessary to honor these commitments with the understanding I will consistently meet all OYHA attendance expectations.

I have read the Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct and will abide by its standards. Any violation of the Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct is detrimental to the team and may be brought forward to the OYHA Board by either the team's coach, manager, and/or a parent on the same team.

I understand that violations of this Code of Conduct may result in suspensions, probation and/or removal of my child(ren) from the OYHA program or my OYHA registration being refused the following season. I further acknowledge that Coaches may use the OYHA Disciplinary Guidelines to deal with violations of this Code of Conduct.

Parent/Guardian #1 Signature Date

Parent/Guardian #2 Signature Date

Printed Name

Printed Name