



CODE OF CONDUCT



NO ADDRESSING REFEREES!

This year, MRC Street Hockey insists that all coaches and spectators refrain from addressing the referees during the game. With only a few adult referees this year, every Penguin and Beaver game will be refereed by a youth referee and an adult referee. In some Penguin games, both referees may be youths. Everyone's assistance at keeping the tension down will help the players keep the excitement up for the entire season.

Wednesday, September 17

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MRC Street Hockey has established a "zero tolerance" policy towards physical abuse, verbal abuse, and harassment. Physical abuse, verbal abuse, or harassment towards anyone at MRC rinks will not be tolerated. Players, coaches, parents, and spectators will remain under control and will NOT address an official or question a call. Referees will enforce these rules strictly and immediately.

PHYSICAL ABUSE:

Physical abuse is when a person purposefully injures or threatens to injure another person. Physical abuse includes, but is not limited to, physical contact or a perceived peril between a player, coach, game official, parent or spectator that intentionally creates a threat of immediate bodily harm or personal injury. Physical abuse does not include physical contact that is reasonably designed to referee the game or to coach, teach, or demonstrate a hockey skill. Permitted physical conduct may include, but is not necessarily limited to, shooting balls at a goaltender, demonstrating hockey skills, and communicating with or directing players, during the course of a game or practice, by touching them in a non-threatening, non-sexual manner.

VERBAL ABUSE:

Verbal abuse or harassment is defined as conduct, gestures, or comments which are insulting, intimidating, humiliating, hurtful, malicious, degrading, or otherwise offensive to an individual or group of individuals, and which create a hostile or intimidating environment for sports activities, or which negatively affect performance. Any of the different forms of verbal abuse or harassment may be based on the grounds prohibited in human rights legislation, such as race, ethnicity, sex, sexual orientation and religion. Verbal abuse or harassment may occur between peers (e.g.: player to player, parent to official, coach to coach, spectator to official) or between someone in a position of power or authority and an individual in a subordinate position (e.g.: coach to player, commissioner to coordinator, or coordinator to coach).

Parents' Code of Ethics

I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care, and encouragement for my child participating in youth sports by following this Parents' Code of Ethics:

- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and officials at every game, practice or other youth sports event.
- I will place the emotional and physical well being of my child ahead of my personal desire to win.
- I will insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment.
- I will require that my child's coach be trained in the responsibilities of being a youth sports coach and that the coach upholds the Coaches' Code of Ethics.
- I will support coaches and officials working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I will remember that the game is for youth--not adults.
- I will do my very best to make youth sports fun for my child.
- I will ask my child to treat other players, coaches, fans and officials with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.
- I will help my child enjoy the youth sports experience by doing whatever I can, such as being a respectful fan, assisting with coaching, or providing transportation.
- I will read the National Standards For Youth Sports and do what I can to help all youth sports organizations implement and enforce them.

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Coaches' Code of Ethics

I hereby pledge to live up to my certification granted by the Martlon Rec Council and follow the Coaches' Code of Ethics:

- I will place the emotional and physical well being of my players ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will treat each player as an individual, remembering the large range of emotional and physical development for the same age group.
- I will do my best to provide a safe playing situation for my players.
- I will promise to review and practice basic first aid principles needed to treat injuries of my players.
- I will do my best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all my players.
- I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my players.
- I will provide a sports environment for my team that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and I will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I will be knowledgeable in the rules of each sport that I coach, and I will teach these rules to my players.
- I will use those coaching techniques appropriate for all of the skills that I teach.
- I will remember that I am a youth sports coach, and that the game is for children and not adults.

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Penalties for Inappropriate Behavior

<i>Description of Infraction</i>	<i>Players</i>	<i>Coaches</i>	<i>Parents / Spectators</i>
Fighting with anyone by means of mutually exchanged blows delivered by hand, head, fist, or other portions of the body	Up to 3 Games Suspension	Up to 4 Years Expulsion	Up to 4 Years Expulsion
Fighting with anyone as above, except the other party does not take part by returning blows	Up to 3 Games Suspension	Up to 4 Years Expulsion	Up to 4 Years Expulsion
Striking anyone with any object (rock, stick, equipment, etc.) which could be expected to result in serious injury	Up to 2 Years Expulsion	Up to 4 Years Expulsion	Up to 4 Years Expulsion
Assaulting of a referee or linesman by a player (deliberately pushing, striking, kicking, or attempting to kick, strike, or push a referee or linesman)	Up to 1 Year Expulsion	N/A	N/A
Assaulting of a referee or linesman by a coach, club official, parent or spectator (deliberately pushing, striking, kicking, or attempting to kick, strike, or push a referee or linesman)	N/A	Up to 5 Years Expulsion	Up to 5 Years Expulsion
Throwing of objects (equipment, snow or ice balls, mud, dirt, rocks, etc., at anybody. <i>Note: In the event that such object strikes to target, the player could be charged with assault.</i>	Up to 2 Games Suspension	Up to 2 Games Suspension	Up to 2 Games Suspension
Throwing of objects at a referee or linesman	Up to 1 Year Expulsion	Up to 2 Years Expulsion	Up to 2 Years Expulsion
Spitting at anybody	Up to 2 Games Suspension	Up to 3 Games Suspension	Up to 3 Games Suspension
Spitting at or on a referee or linesman	Up to 1 Year Expulsion	Up to 2 Years Expulsion	Up to 2 Years Expulsion
Verbal abuse of a referee or linesman	Up to 2 Games Suspension	Up to 3 Games Suspension	Up to 3 Games Suspension
Verbal threat of bodily harm or property damage delivered to anyone	Up to 3 Games Suspension	Up to 4 Games Suspension	Up to 4 Games Suspension
Verbal threat delivered to a referee or linesman	Up to 4 Games Suspension	Up to 6 Games Suspension	Up to 6 Games Suspension
Gesturing or signaling obscenely or the use of profane language towards anyone	Up to 1 Game Suspension	Up to 2 Games Suspension	Up to 2 Games Suspension
Gesturing or signaling obscenely or the use of profane language towards a referee or linesman	Up to 2 Games Suspension	Up to 2 Games Suspension	Up to 2 Games Suspension
Entering the playing field by a coach, parent or spectator, to argue with a referee or linesman, disrupting play (penalty will be assessed against the coach)	Up to 2 Games Suspension	Up to 2 Games Suspension	Up to 2 Games Suspension
Any ejection from a game not specifically defined above or in the MRC Street Hockey Rulebook	Up to 1 Game Suspension	Up to 1 Game Suspension	Up to 1 Game Suspension
Receiving three cautions during one (1) playing season for physical fouls	Up to 2 Games Suspension	Up to 2 Games Suspension	Up to 2 Games Suspension
Receiving three cautions of any type during one (1) playing season	Up to 1 Game Suspension	Up to 1 Game Suspension	Up to 1 Game Suspension

Division- _____ - Team Name: _____

	Name	Signature	Date
Head Coach			
Asst. Coach			
Asst. Coach			

I, the undersigned, have read the Code of Conduct and also the Penalties for Inappropriate Behavior and agree to abide by the rules set forth by the Marlton Street Hockey Board for the 2011/2012 season.

	Player Name / Parent or Guardian	Signature	Date
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	Name	Phone No	E-Mail
Team Mom			
Grievance Parent			