

MONROE YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT

The philosophy of the Association is to emphasize a well-balanced recreational and competitive hockey program by creating opportunities for all, providing relatively equal attention to players during practices and relatively equal playing time in scheduled games (situations vary by age-level).

This philosophy does not apply, however, when an individual team member has not participated in scheduled practice sessions, demonstrates attitudes or displays conduct not conducive to good team morale or sportsmanship, or is being disciplined by the coach. All players, parents/guardians and coaches are expected to maintain and demonstrate good sportsmanship throughout their association with Monroe Hockey.

Practice hard, play hard, accept the outcome and have fun!

TIER I RULES

- A. Personal conduct:
 - 1. I will display a positive attitude and good sportsmanship.
 - 2. I will follow team rules and the directions of coaches and officials promptly and without complaint.
 - 3. I will attend all games and practices. If unable to attend, I will notify the coach ahead of time.
 - 4. I will always leave the locker room clean and in good condition, both at my home rink and away.
 - 5. I will be prohibited from participation if I am suspended from school or am truant.
 - 6. If I stay home from school because I am sick, I will not attend practice that day.

If a player violates a Tier I rule, one or more of the following will occur:

- 1. The parents or guardians of the player will be notified as soon as possible by the coach or board member.
- 2. A meeting will be scheduled with the player, the parents or guardian, the coach(es), and two members of the MYHA Board of Directors to investigate the specific violation using guidelines outlined in the MYHA Code of Conduct Policy.
- 3. Practice/game suspensions
- 4. Multiple practice/game suspensions

TIER II RULES

Unlawful and/or unacceptable conduct.

- A. Any deliberate abuse of equipment, buildings or rink facilities at home or on the road is prohibited. Consequence: Players will be responsible for repair or replacement costs and/or community service at the discretion/direction of the MYHA board.
- B. I will not swear, taunt, make derogatory remarks, or display disrespectful conduct toward players, coaches or officials on or off the ice
- C. Theft of another player's equipment or personal belongings is prohibited.
- D. Fighting or abusive behavior is prohibited. This includes remarks made to or about teammates, coaches, officials, or opponents.
- E. Any conduct deemed dangerous to coaches, other players, or persons at all MYHA events and practices.
- F. Absolutely no cell phone, ipads or other picture-taking devices in the locker room. No taking photos or videos in the locker room. No exceptions.
- G. Absolutely no derogatory posts (pictures or texts) about another player, team or organization on any social media
- H. Continued violation of Tier I expectations.
- I. Players will uphold the Zero Tolerance Policy written by USA Hockey:
 - A player may not:*
 - 1. Openly dispute or argue any decision by an official.
 - 2. Taunt or incite an opponent.
 - 3. Visually create a disturbance during the game.

Any time that a **player** persists in any of these actions, they shall be assessed a misconduct **penalty**. A game misconduct shall result if the **player** continues such action.

If a player violates a Tier II rule, one or more of the following will occur:

- A. The parents or guardians of the player will be notified as soon as possible by the coach or board member.
- B. A meeting will be scheduled with the player, the parents or guardian, the coach(es), and at least two members of the MYHA Board of Directors to investigate the specific violation using guidelines outlined in the MYHA Code of Conduct Policy.
- C. Minimum 1-game suspension, including practices leading up to the games.
- D. Possibility of additional game/practice suspensions
- E. Possibility of suspension for remainder of hockey season. Fees will not be reimbursed. Reinstatement must be approved by the Board of Directors prior to the start of the next hockey season.

TIER III RULES

Use of alcohol, tobacco, controlled or illegal substances is prohibited.

Violation of this rule will automatically result in immediate suspension until the Board of Directors determines appropriate disciplinary action at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

- A. The parents or guardians of the player will be notified of the suspension as soon as possible by the coach or team rep.
- B. A meeting will be scheduled with the player, the parents or guardian, the coach(es) and division rep to investigate the specific violation.
- C. The punishment for violation of this rule can range from:
 - 1. Suspension from a game or specified number of games.
 - 2. Suspension for remainder of hockey season. Reinstatement must be approved by the Board of Directors prior to the start of the next hockey season.
 - 3. Permanent suspension from the Monroe Youth Hockey Program.
 - 4. Other appropriate action as deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.

GENERAL

Repeated and/or dangerous actions may be referred directly to the Board of Directors for accelerated discipline which could range from suspension for the remainder of the season or permanent suspension from Monroe Youth Hockey Association.

I understand that Monroe Youth Hockey Association will not tolerate acts of gross disobedience or misconduct at any MYHA events, games, or practices. For such behaviors, players may be placed on suspension, removed completely from Monroe Youth Hockey Association, or otherwise disciplined.

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| Player Printed Name | Player's Signature (name in his/her own handwriting) | Date |
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| Parent Printed Name | Parent Signature | Date |
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| CEL Printed Name | CEL Signature | Date |

*please return to your team manager who will submit to the Culture Education Liaison on the MYHA Board **prior** to the first practice