

MONROE YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

The mission of MYHA is to empower and inspire young athletes through hockey, fostering their growth, teamwork, and character. We provide a safe, inclusive environment that promotes skill development, sportsmanship, competition and a lifelong love for the game. Our focus is on values, dedication, and fun, creating well-rounded individuals who excel on the ice and in their communities.

Tier I Expectations

1. I will conduct myself in a way that reflects positively on the skaters, the coaches, the Association, and on other parents. I will be a model of good sportsmanship and I will lead by example by demonstrating fairness, respect and self-control.
2. I will notify the coach or team manager of pending absences for games and practices, with as much advance notice as possible (eg. planned vacations, school functions, etc.)
3. I will have my skater at practice and games ready to go at the time the coach designates.
4. I will provide my skater with equipment that is safe. If equipment is needed, please contact the coach or board member who can assist with finding proper equipment.
5. I will meet my financial obligations in order not to jeopardize my skater's ice time.
MYHA policy - \$100 due before the first practice; ½ balance of fees due Nov. 1; remaining ½ due Jan 1.
If these fees are not paid on time, your player will not be allowed on the ice until they are paid.
You can pay by cash, check, or Venmo. We have financial assistance available if you are unable to make the payment (you must contact the Treasurer and submit the paperwork for board approval.)
6. I will volunteer my time, and support the hockey program to whatever extent I am able. I will support the club by working at fundraisers, tournaments and all other club sponsored events.
7. I will encourage my skater in a positive manner, and will refrain from criticizing his/her performance. I will emphasize the importance of achieving common goals through teamwork. I recognize that hockey is a game played for FUN.

If a parent violates a Tier I rule:

- A. The parent will be notified by the coach or board member
- B. If the behavior continues, parent may be subject to further disciplinary action, after a meeting takes place between the parent and at least two members of the MYHA Board of Directors.

Tier II Expectations

8. I will not approach, instruct or discipline children that are not mine in a negative manner.
9. I realize that the coaches are volunteering their time for the best interest of the team. I will not confuse players by countering the coaches' orders or instructions. I will follow team rules, and will encourage my skater to follow them. I will support the coaches in whatever way I can.
10. I will respect the Association's property, and will take steps to prevent its damage whenever necessary.
11. I will not operate any equipment without proper training and approval from facilities manager (including skate sharpener, sweeper, zam, lift, etc.)
12. I will not go on the ice at any time unless specifically requested by the coach.
13. I will encourage and be positive in support of the team. In particular, I will refrain from acting in any way that would tend to embarrass or humiliate any skater, parent, family member or coach on the team.

14. If I am removed from a game by game officials or representatives of the local ice arena (whether home or away) or requested to leave by a team representative, I will be subject to further disciplinary action by the MYHA board of directors.
15. Continued violation of Tier I expectations

If a parent violates a Tier II expectation, one or more of the following will happen:

- A. The parent will be notified as soon as possible by the coach or board member.
- B. A meeting will be scheduled with the parent 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 2-game suspension (parent, not the player), including any practices between the violation and the 2 games.
- D. If the violations continue, suspension for the remainder of hockey season (the parent, not the player.) Reinstatement must be approved by the Board of Directors prior to the start of the next hockey season.

Tier III Expectations

16. I will follow the 24 hour rule which states that a parent will not contact a coach until 24 hours have passed to make remarks, complaints, or observations about an athletic conference (practice, game situation, etc.)
17. I will not post derogatory statements or pictures about any player, family, coach, or organization on any social media, group text, team site, etc.
18. I will not retaliate against another member, coach, or board member, in any way, who reports me for violations of any of MYHA Codes of Conduct.
19. I realize that referees will make calls I won't agree with. I will refrain from displaying any criticism of a referee or their decisions. I will never contact an official (in person, by phone or by email.) I will never enter the ref room to question the officials. If I have a question about a call, I will talk to the coach who will provide clarification or contact the official on my behalf.
20. I will follow the USA Hockey Zero Tolerance policy as written:
Parents are expected to be a positive role model by treating all players, coaches, officials and fellow spectators with respect and support.
The game will be stopped by game officials when parents/spectators displaying inappropriate and disruptive behavior interfere with other spectators or the game. The game officials will identify violators to the coaches for the purpose of removing parents/spectators from the spectator's viewing and game area. Once removed, play will resume. Lost time will not be replaced and violators may be subject to further disciplinary action by the local governing body. This inappropriate and disruptive behavior shall include:
 - 1) Use of obscene, profane or abusive language to anyone at any time.
 - 2) Taunting of players, coaches, officials or other spectators by means of baiting, ridiculing, threat of physical violence or physical violence.
 - 3) Throwing of any object in the spectators viewing area, players bench, penalty box or on ice surface, directed in any manner as to create a safety hazard.
21. Continued violation of Tier II expectations

If a parent violates one of these Tier III expectations, one or more of the following will happen:

- A. Immediate 3-game suspension (not allowed to attend practices or games) until the Board of Directors determines appropriate disciplinary action at its next regularly scheduled meeting.
- B. A meeting will be scheduled with the parent (or all parents involved), the coach(es) and board of directors to investigate the specific violation.
- C. Additional disciplinary action could include:

1. Suspension for remainder of hockey season. Reinstatement must be approved by the Board of Directors prior to the start of the next hockey season.
2. Permanent suspension from the Monroe Youth Hockey Association.
3. Player suspension.
4. Other appropriate action as deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.

Final note: Please try to handle conflict quickly and with the people involved in a peaceful manner. If that is not possible, please see a board member so we can help resolve issues before they become a major problem and putting it in writing is preferable.

All players and parents are subject to disciplinary action by the Association for violation of the Code of Conduct. The Association has a written policy handbook available to every member. It is the member's responsibility to read and abide by the Association's policies. The Association reserves the right to terminate Association membership in accordance with its policies when continued disregard for the rules disrupts Association or team activities, or when a member's behavior is determined to be dangerous to others.

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Parent Printed Name	Parent Signature	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