

Appendix C – Coach Code of Conduct

All coaches in SPYHA will be selected by the ACE Director(s) and approved by the Board of Directors.

As a SPYHA coach, I agree to the following:

1. I will conduct all practices, games and tournaments under the guidelines, bylaws, rules and regulations defined by SPYHA, the Wisconsin Amateur Hockey Association, Inc. and USA Hockey.
2. Regardless of the level I am coaching, I will make an effort that every player on the roster plays an equal amount of time on the ice during regular season games. Disciplinary actions, which are defined by the Code of Conduct and communicated clearly to both players and parents, will be the only exception to this rule.
3. Coaches at the Mite and Mini-Mite level should attempt to play each player at various team positions. Coaches at the Squirt level are encouraged to play each player at more than one position in an attempt to develop diversity of skills.
4. I will attend coaches' clinics as required by WAHA and USA Hockey regulations.
5. I will, to the best of my ability, teach the skills, rules and strategies of hockey in an orderly and enjoyable environment.
6. I will teach and model desirable personal, social and psychological skills, behaviors and attitudes. Therefore, I will refrain from using profanity in front of players and refrain from using tobacco and alcohol while in the company of my team.
7. I will promote good sportsmanship and principles of fair play in all phases of the program including practices, games and tournament competition. I will remember that I am a representative of SPYHA!
8. I will report any disciplinary action taken with an individual player to the player's parent(s). Repeated minor or major disciplinary actions should also be shared with the SPYHA ACE Director(s) and Coaches' Representative.
9. I will discuss a player's skill development and playing ability only with the player and/or the player's parent(s) in the event concerns are noted.
10. The Coach Code of Conduct is part of SPYHA policies in accordance with USA Hockey and WAHA. Any violation of the Coach Code of Conduct will result in disciplinary action by the Board of Directors in accordance with the SPYHA policy on disciplinary action.

I have read and understood the SPYHA Coach Code of Conduct.

Coach's name (print): _____

Coach's signature: _____ Date: _____