

VMHA Parent Code of Conduct

It is the intention of the Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct to promote Fair Play and respect for all participants within the Victoria Minor Hockey Association (VMHA).



I Will:

- A. not force my child to participate in hockey;
- B. remember that my child plays hockey for their enjoyment, not mine;
- C. teach my child that doing one's best is as important as winning so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of the game;
- D. make my child feel like a winner every time by offering praise for competing fairly and hard;
- E. help my child work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship;
- F. never ridicule or yell at my child or another player for making a mistake, poor play or losing a game;
- G. encourage my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflict without resorting to hostility or violence;
- H. remember that children learn by example and therefore will applaud good plays and performances by both my child's team and their opponent;
- I. never question an on-ice official's judgment or honesty in public and recognize on-ice officials are being developed in the same manner as players;
- J. support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from minor hockey games;
- K. never engage in or condone any harassment including that in relation to race, colour, age, gender, ability, place of origin, sexual orientation, religion, family status, political belief or economic status of a player, team, Team Official, opponent, volunteer, another player's parent/guardian, on-ice official or off-ice official;
- L. refrain from public criticism or remarks of an inappropriate nature;
- M. act in a manner that reflects positively upon myself, my child, my child's team, team sponsors (if any) and VMHA at all times, to and from the arena, on and off the ice;
- N. remember that the coaches, team manager, team safety, team treasurer, bench staff, on-ice officials and off-ice officials are there to help my child and accept their decisions and show them respect;
- O. co-operate with my child's head coach, assistant coaches, team manager, team safety, team treasurer, bench staff, teammates, on-ice officials and other team parents;
- P. abide by the principles of the Fair Play Code as set by Hockey Canada and supported by the Vancouver Island Amateur Hockey Association, BC Hockey and the Victoria Minor Hockey Association; and,
- Q. abide by the decisions of the VMHA, Vancouver Island Amateur Hockey Association, BC Hockey and/or Hockey Canada.

I agree to abide by the principles of the Code of Conduct.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Division: _____
