



West Madison Polar Caps **PLAYER** Code of Conduct

Philosophy: The West Madison Polar Caps Youth Hockey Association (WMPC) is a private organization which emphasizes the development of basic hockey skills and the promotion of hockey as an enjoyable recreational activity as well as competition. Our philosophy is to emphasize individual participation by providing relatively equal attention to players during practices and relatively equal playing time in scheduled games, EXCEPT when an individual member does not participate in scheduled practice sessions, demonstrates attitudes or conduct not conducive to good team morale, displays unsafe or

dangerous conduct and/or is being disciplined by the coach.

All players and parents are ambassadors on behalf of the WMPC and USA Hockey both on and off the ice. We are all committed to act as a group of class individuals at the ice rink, when travelling to tournaments, at hotels, at other rinks and in the locker room. It is our mission to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all involved and AT ALL TIMES.

Players

- I will conduct myself in a way that reflects positively upon my parent(s)/guardian(s), my friends, my teammates, my coaches, the club and myself. I will not use alcohol, tobacco or illegal drugs. I realize that swearing, nasty language and disrespectful conduct is not acceptable on or off the ice.
- I will abide by team rules, follow the directions of coaches and officials promptly and without complaint and accept their decisions without verbal criticism or gestures that imply criticism. I will treat other players, coaches, parents, fans and officials with respect, regardless of race, sex, creed or ability.
- I am expected to attend all games and practices. If unable to attend, I will inform the coach at least one day ahead. I will practice hard, play hard and graciously accept the outcome. Most of all, I will be a nice person, have FUN and be FUN to be with!
- I understand that my school work comes before hockey.
- I understand the items listed above extend to all Social Media.

When players violate these rules and/or disrupt team activities, coaches are encouraged to enforce discipline according to the following team guidelines:

1. First Offense - Time out at practice and/or sit out one period of next game'
2. Second Offense - Sit out two periods;
3. Third Offense - Sit out one game;
4. Fourth Offense - Three-game suspension plus skater and parents appear before the Board.

Repeated and/or dangerous actions may be referred directly to the Board for accelerated discipline. When continued disregard for the rules seriously disrupts club and/or team activities or behavior is determined to be dangerous to others, the Board of Directors reserves the right to terminate player's club membership.

All disciplinary actions may be appealed to the Board of Directors, but the action taken will remain in effect until a final Board decision has been made.

Skater Signature _____ DATE: _____

Skater Printed Name _____