

USA Hockey COACHES Code of Conduct

I WILL:

1. Promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal motivation.
2. Remember that each athlete plays hockey for his/her enjoyment, not mine.
3. Encourage good sportsmanship through my actions, by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials, parents, and spectators.
4. Provide support for coaches, parents, volunteer team and league personnel, and officials working with the athletes to provide a positive experience for all.
5. Demand (require) that athletes under my influence treat all players, coaches, officials, parents, and spectators with respect, regardless of race, creed, color, sex, or ability.
6. Treat all players, coaches, volunteer team and league personnel, officials, parents, and spectators with dignity and respect in language, attitude, behavior, and mannerisms.
7. Inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of any athlete or the safety of others.
8. Respect the property and equipment used at any sports facility, both home and away.
9. Inform any of my immediate family members that attend or participate in ERRA events of this Code of Conduct and their responsibilities to abide by its tenants.

I WILL NOT:

1. Make physical contact with any player, coach, official, league representative, arena personnel, or spectator.
2. Taunt or threaten any player, coach, official, league representative, arena personnel, or spectator.
3. Go into the locker/dressing room of an opposing team or obstruct their access to said room.
4. Go into the officials' locker/dressing room or obstruct their access to said room.
5. Use profane and/or vulgar language or mannerisms.
6. Go onto the ice surface during a game.
7. Throw of any object onto the ice surface.
8. Pound or climb on the glass.
9. Deface or destroy property belonging to any individual, team, association, or arena.
10. Be involved in any activity that would warrant the summoning of law enforcement officials.
11. Incite any person(s) to become involved in any of the above unacceptable behaviors.

I **FULLY** understand and **ACCEPT** that my behavior, the behavior of my players or the behavior of my staff members may be deemed in violation of the Code of Conduct by the ERRA Board of Directors and can be subject to an investigation and hearing by the ERRA Grievance Committee.

I **ACKNOWLEDGE** that the ERRA Grievance Committee has the authority to assess any penalties up to and including exclusion from participation and/or attendance of any ERRA event for behavior deemed by ERRA to be in violation of this Code of Conduct.

I **WILL** voluntarily abide by decisions of a ERRA Grievance Committee.

Printed Name of Coach

Date

Signature