



Coach's Code of Conduct

In alignment with USA Hockey, MN Hockey and District 10 Hockey; Blaine Youth Hockey Association requires all coaches to understand and follow the following principles;

1. As a coach, I understand the importance of maintaining the required training and certifications and will assure I am in compliance at all times throughout the hockey season as well as others on the team staff.
2. Winning is a consideration, but not the only one, nor the most important one. Care more about the child than team wins. Remember, players are involved in hockey for fun and enjoyment.
3. Be a positive role model to your players. Display emotional maturity and be alert and sensitive to the mental and physical safety of all players.
4. Be generous with your praise when it is deserved; be consistent and honest; be fair and just.
5. Do not criticize or yell at players, staff or officials publicly; strive to be a more effective communicator and coach. Use of inappropriate or foul language by staff or players will NOT be tolerated.
6. Adjust to the personal needs and problems of players; be a good listener; never verbally or physically abuse a player, staff member or official.
7. Give all players the opportunity to improve their skills, gain confidence and develop self-esteem; teach players the basics of hard work and the successes that will result.
8. Organize practices that are fun and challenging for your players. Familiarize yourself with the rules, techniques and strategies of hockey; encourage all your players to be team players.
9. Maintain an open line of communication with your players and parents. Explain the goals and objectives of your association along with your team expectations. Clearly define and communicate the consequences of not meeting certain expectations to players and parents.
10. Be concerned with the overall development of your players. Stress good health habits and clean living.
11. To play the game is great, to love the game is greater!

I have read and fully understand all the principles stated above and I agree to abide by those principles with the understanding that if I do not follow them, I may face disciplinary actions including but not limited to suspension.

Coach Printed Name: _____

Coach Signature: _____

Date: _____