

Code of Conduct for Coaches and Team Personnel

I understand that as a Coach (or Assistant, manager, trainer, etc.) I am in a position of trust and authority. I will:

- Be reasonable when scheduling tournaments, games and practices, remembering that players have other interests and obligations.
- Teach players to play fairly and to respect the rules, Officials, and their opponents.
- Remember that players play to have fun and must be encouraged to have confidence in themselves.
- Remember that participants need a Coach they can respect. I will be generous with praise and set a good example.
- Respect all participants, striving to be a responsible (Coach, Assistant, etc.). I recognize that I am in a position of trust and power, and I will do nothing to take advantage of or abuse it.
- I will do my best to be a competent (Coach), well prepared and adequately skilled. I will obtain proper training and will attempt to upgrade and improve my skills.
- Fulfill my obligation and responsibility toward the team and the Association, as established by the Association, to the best of my abilities.
- Direct comments at an individual's performance and not at the individual.
- Not ridicule or yell at players for making mistakes or for performing poorly.
- Take reasonable steps to see that equipment and facilities are safe and appropriate to my players.
- Co-operate with the Officials and refrain from public criticism of them. I will respect the Officials and their responsibilities to administer the rules of the game. I will respect the fact that the Official may have a different point of view and I will put my concerns in writing and will send them to the proper individual for consideration.
- Learn the signs of harassment and abuse, and the process for responding to allegations or disclosures, and comply with the Association's safety guidelines, working to prevent physical, emotional/verbal, and sexual harassment and abuse.
- Discourage any inappropriate conversations and keep players focused on hockey.
- Comply with the OHF 2 Deep Dressing Room Policy. Always have a Coaching staff member in the vicinity and in control of the on-goings of the dressing room. This means before games or practices as well as until everyone leaves after games and practice.
- Communicate with my players and with their parents, regularly throughout the season, so that everyone is clear about the rules and expectations, and so that we have a shared goal for the season.
- Comply with all associations Polices and Regulations.
- Comply with Police Check Policy and provide a Police Vulnerable Screening Check (PVSC) when requested.
- Emphasize the importance of the Players' and Parents' Codes, and hold my team members and their parents accountable for compliance.
- Recognize and accept that violations of the Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary measures as deemed appropriate by the Team Support and Disciplinary Committee up to and including revoking of membership and all rights associated with membership.

I have read and understand the North London Nationals Hockey Code of Conduct and accept responsibility and consequences for my actions.

Coaches and Team Personnel Name (Print)	Signature & Date
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