



Parent/Guardian Responsibilities and Code of Conduct

PARENT/GUARDIAN RESPONSIBILITIES

Parent (or guardian) responsibilities are centered on commitment and support to the player, the sport of hockey, the association and the community. You as a parent, have not only made a commitment to your child, but have made a commitment to the coaching staff and the other players/families on a team that are counting on your child's commitment to the team. It is difficult for a coach to develop a team when some players are continually missing practices and/or games. Hockey is a TEAM sport; each player is a valuable member and contributes to the team and to the development and enjoyment of each player on the team. The team also relies on parents to assist the team throughout the season in various volunteer roles, fundraising and to serve as positive support and encouragement to players before, during and after games and practices. HCMHA will not tolerate disrespectful, obscene or obnoxious parents or fans. Such individuals will be subject to disciplinary action as outlined in the HCMHA Policies and Procedures Manual.

Parents are expected to follow the guidelines, policies and procedures set out by HCMHA. These processes are put in place to provide consistency and this is essential for providing the foundation to a successful association. Individuals that refuse to participate or follow the directives of the programs, policies/procedures set by HCMHA may result in disciplinary actions as outlined in the HCMHA Policies and Procedures Manual.

Hockey is a privilege, not a right and player registration can be refused.

PARENT/GUARDIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

HCMHA has implemented a Parent's Code of Conduct which all parents must agree to and sign on an annual basis. This agreement is effective from September 1st to August 31st the following year. A copy of this agreement can be found below. No player will be allowed to participate in any HCMHA event or activity without this form signed. Each form, whether signed by 1 parent/guardian or both, is applicable to all family members and guests of the family.

Failure to comply with the Parent's Code of Conduct will result in the disciplinary process as outlined in the HCMHA Policies and Procedures Manual.

Physical abuse of another person will carry indefinite suspension from all minor hockey events until reviewed by HCMHA for further discipline.

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**Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct
High Country Minor Hockey Association**

I/We, _____, agree to this Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct for my child's team operating under the guidelines of the High Country Minor Hockey Association (HCMHA) for the _____ season understand and fully agree to the following conditions:

1. HCMHA strictly enforces the 24 hour rule for dealing with conflicts/communication. See HCMHA Policy and Procedures for more detailed explanation/break down.
2. I/We will not force our child to participate in sports.
3. I/We remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for the youth, NOT adults.
4. I/We will learn the rules of the game, policies and procedures, player evaluation and selection process of HCMHA.
5. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials, volunteers and spectators at every HCMHA sporting event.
6. I (and my guests) will speak respectfully at all times to: spectators, players, coaches, volunteers and officials at any HCMHA event.
7. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike or disrespectful conduct at any time with any official, coach, facility attendant, player, volunteer or parent such as: booing, taunting, yelling, bullying, harassment, insulting, swearing and using profane language or gestures.
8. I/We will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and well-being of the athletes.
9. I/We will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
10. I/We will ask that our child treat others with respect (how they want to be treated), regardless of race, creed, color, sex or ability.
11. I/We will teach our child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance.
12. I/We will praise our child for competing fairly and trying their hardest, and make my child feel like a winner.



13. I/We will never ridicule or yell at a child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.

14. I/We will emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit my child over winning.

15. I/We will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.

16. I/We will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs and public intoxication, I will refrain from their use at all sporting events.

17. I/We will make every effort to ensure that my child will be at all practices and games. In the event that my child is unable to attend an event, I will communicate this to the appropriate coaching staff or manager.

18. I/We will make every effort to support HCMHA and my child’s team in fulfilling volunteer and fundraising obligations.

19. I/We agree to follow, abide and respect all of the by-laws, policies/procedures and rulings of HCMHA and its Executive and appointed committees, Central Alberta Hockey League and Hockey Alberta.

20. I/We understand that any violation of this document will result in disciplinary actions as outlined in the HCMHA Policies and Procedures.

Date: _____

PLAYER’s Name: _____

PLAYER’s Team : _____

2nd PLAYER’S Name: _____

2nd PLAYER’S Team: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

By signing this document, I agree to also be responsible for any guests or family members that are associated to my child, and their actions at any HCMHA event.

