



Guildford Junior Ice Hockey Club

Coach's Code of Conduct

1. Care about the development of the players and the team as well as winning the game. Remember, players are involved in hockey for fun and enjoyment.
2. Be a positive role model to your players, display emotional maturity and be alert to the physical safety of players.
3. Be reasonable in your demand on the players' time, energy and enthusiasm. Remember that they have other interests.
4. Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate for the age and ability of the players.
5. Develop team respect for the ability of opponents, as well as for the judgment of officials and opposing coaches.
6. Be generous with your praise when it is deserved; be consistent and honest; be fair and just; learn to be a more effective communicator and coach; don't yell at players.
7. Be prepared. Don't arrive at practices without a practice plan. 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.
8. Hold parents meetings to explain strategy and plans, and communicate clearly with players and parents as needed throughout the season.
9. Always follow the advice of a physician in determining when an injured player is ready to play again.
10. Be concerned with the overall development of your players.
11. Take into consideration the maturity level of the players when scheduling times and durations of practices and competitions.
12. Remember, to play the game is great, to love the game is greater.

I accept and agree to abide by the Guildford Junior Ice Hockey Club Coach's Code of Conduct.

COACH _____ **DATE** _____