



# **Guildford Junior Ice Hockey Club**

## **Parents Code of Conduct**

1. I will not force my child to participate in hockey. I will try to make it fun.
2. I will encourage my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflict without resorting to hostility or violence.
3. I will teach my child that doing one's best is as important as winning so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game.
4. I will never ridicule or yell at my child, or any other child, for making a mistake or losing a game.
5. I will remember that children learn by example. I will applaud good plays by both my child's team and their opponents. I will not be critical of or embarrass any player, including opposition players.
6. I will never question an official's judgment or honesty in public. I recognize that officials are being developed in the same manner as players.
7. I understand the benefits from participating in a team sport, the commitment, the discipline and the social skills learned and acquired.
8. I will respect and show appreciation for all volunteers who give their time to hockey for my child.
9. I will never yell, taunt, threaten or inflict physical violence upon any player, coach, official or spectator at any junior or youth hockey activity. I will refrain from the use of abusive or vulgar language, racial, ethnic or gender-related slurs at any time at the rink or any junior or youth hockey function. I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from junior and youth hockey games.
10. I will leave the coaching to the coaching staff. I will encourage my child to play in a manner consistent with the team's strategy or plans and I will not approach the coaches to question the team's strategy or plans, other than at a parents meeting.
11. I will emphasize skill development and a serious approach to practices and explain how skill development will benefit my child.
12. I will raise any concerns I may have with the team manager. I will not approach the coaches before, during or after practices or games. I will not telephone or email the coaches without first speaking to the manager and I will not, under any circumstances, contact the coaches or team manager at their place of work unless specifically requested to do so by the coach or team manager. I understand the Club's expectation that I wait at least 48 hours after a practice or a game to request a meeting with the team manager, unless my concerns involve a serious issue relating to child protection matters.



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13. I will not enter the home dressing room or laundry room at any time during or after training sessions – those areas are for coaches only. (Occasionally, some parents may be asked into the home changing room to help prepare for matches.)

14. I acknowledge that if my child trains/plays with another club without permission of the Guildford Junior Ice Hockey Club, my child may be subject to disciplinary action, which could include suspension.

15. I will avoid standing at the glass or any other rink side behavior that may distract my child, other children, or the coaches from a training session or game.

16. I have read the Club's policy on training up/playing up and I acknowledge that training and playing up is a privilege and fully within the discretion of the coaches.

17. I acknowledge that the philosophy of the club is to compete in the "A" league at every age group level and to avoid relegation.

18. I will remember that my child plays hockey for his or her enjoyment, not mine.

19. I will not make inflammatory or degrading remarks about players or other club members on social networking sites.

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**I have read and understand the above Code of Conduct, and agree to abide by its guidelines at all team and league activities. I understand that if I do not follow this Code of Conduct, I may be asked to leave the activity (such as a game or practice) or I may be asked to withdraw my child from the Club.**

PLAYER'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ TEAM \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

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