

Rochester Youth Hockey Player Code of Conduct

As a player and, thus, a representative of RYH, I agree to support the following Code of Conduct:

- Treat my teammates with respect and at no time verbally, physically or mentally abuse any other member of the organization. This includes on any form of social media.
- On and off-ice, players are required to display proper respect to officials, opposing players and coaches.
- Players are expected to pay attention to their coaches during practices and games. Asking questions is always encouraged, but disruptive talking and horseplay are not conducive to learning and will not be tolerated.
- Refrain from talking back or arguing with any official or coach. Profanity, abusive language, and improper gestures will not be tolerated on or off the ice.
- Players are expected to treat facilities, both home and away, with respect. This includes making sure locker rooms and team bench areas are cleaned after each game or practice and following all rules specific to each facility.
- Play and practice this sport with energy and enthusiasm, but never in a dirty manner.
- It is a rule of New Hampshire Amateur Hockey that any player receiving five penalties in a game is disqualified from the remainder of that game and in some severe cases, the next game. Rochester Youth Hockey adheres to this regulation and also adds that any blatant display of unsportsmanlike conduct can lead to disciplinary action as outlined.

Any player receiving a gross misconduct is disqualified from the game it is received in and is ineligible to play until the RYH Board of Directors (BOD) has held a hearing regarding the situation. The minimum consequence for such a penalty is a two-game suspension. I must report to the BOD, within 3 days of the occurrence, the circumstances if I receive a game misconduct at any event that I represented RYH Hockey.

Blatant disregard of the above rule can lead to one or more of the following:

- Sitting out shifts during a game or on the bench during practices
- Being sent off the ice for the remainder of the game or practice
- Suspension from further games or practices until a satisfactory resolution is agreed upon by the player and the coach. A board member may be requested by any involved party to mediate.

Any player that conducts themselves in a manner found to be detrimental to the welfare of Rochester Youth Hockey may be removed from participating in this organization temporarily or permanently. Players and parents may be requested to attend a disciplinary meeting with members of RYH BOD.

The above rules are not intended to suggest in any way that the Rochester Youth Hockey Board feels that there are serious behavior problems among our players. Rather, it is intended to convey, in writing, our programs expectations for fair play and sportsmanship.

Players should remember the hockey is a team sport. All team members should strive to create an atmosphere that is supportive, a work ethic that allows all to learn and progress, and a commitment to teamwork and sportsmanship.

Players Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name _____