

WASECA YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION PLAYER AND PARENT/GUARDIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

The Waseca Hockey Association was organized to promote youth hockey at all levels. This organization strives to develop hockey skills, self-confidence, self-discipline, a sense of team loyalty and good sportsmanship in a fun and enjoyable atmosphere.

The success of the organization depends upon the commitment of players, parents and coaches. By accepting membership in the Waseca Hockey Association, players, parents and coaches agree to adhere to the standards of this organization. The Waseca Hockey Association reserves the right to dismiss any player or coach, or take appropriate action against any parent, whose conduct is detrimental to the organization without refund of any fees that may have been paid.

Expectations of Player Conduct

Waseca hockey players are expected to strive to the best of their ability to achieve coach's practice and game objectives.

- A. Players will be on time for practices and games, and will notify the coach in advance if unable to attend.
- B. Excused absences include family emergencies, required church or school activities, illness, weather related emergencies and court orders.
- C. Unexcused absences will be dealt with by the respective coach and may include a one or more period suspension.

Waseca hockey players are expected to be loyal to their team and their teammates.

- A. Enthusiasm, leadership and supportive play are encouraged.
- B. Negative criticism of teammates will not be tolerated.

Waseca hockey players are expected to condition their bodies and strive to improve their hockey skills.

- A. Players will perform to the best of their ability at all games and practices.
- B. Players will work to condition their bodies for peak performance.
- C. Players will work diligently to master all aspects of the game.

Waseca hockey players are expected to be responsible for their own conduct and its consequences both on and off the ice.

- A. Players will compete with USA Hockey Official Playing Rules and graciously accept the decisions of game officials.
- B. Players will refrain from obscene language or gestures.
- C. Use of alcohol, tobacco or other drugs is expressly prohibited, as per Minnesota Hockey guidelines.
- D. Players will respect the property of the arenas in which they play.
- E. Any conduct deemed inappropriate by the coach will be dealt with on an individual basis.

Expectations of Parent and Coaches Conduct

Parents and coaches of Waseca hockey players are expected to accept winning and losing as mature adults. It is the parents and coaches' duty to teach players to understand the meaning of winning and losing.

- A. Parents and coaches will react graciously to wins and refrain from seeking scapegoats such as biased officials, poor ice surface, or poor performance by players or coaches when the team loses.
- B. Parents and coaches will help players learn from their losses, to put a lost game behind them and to look forward to the opportunity to play in the next game.
- C. Parents and coaches will convey a positive attitude toward the Waseca Hockey Association; its philosophy and goals.

Parents and coaches of Waseca hockey players are expected as spectators and coaches to conduct themselves in a manner that exemplifies good sportsmanship.

- A. Parents and coaches will accept the decisions of game officials without criticizing, booing or using obscene language towards officials at any time during or after a game.
- B. Parents and coaches will treat other players with the courtesy, respect and considerations that they would want other parents and coaches to show their sons and daughters.
- C. Parents and coaches will not attend practices or games while under the influence of alcohol or other drugs. The Association reserves the right to request such individuals to leave the arena.

Parents of Waseca hockey players are expected to support all coaches and coaching decisions. Parents will ensure their players are on time for all practices and games.

- A. Parents are encouraged to attend as many games as possible to show their support for the team.
- B. Practice and games are under the direction of the coaching staff. Parents will allow the coaches to coach and correct deficiencies in hockey skills.
- C. Parents are encouraged to make suggestions or to resolve conflicts with coaching staff by following appropriate channels as stated in the Grievance Procedure Policy.

Note: Per the Minnesota Hockey rule any parent or family member asked to be removed from any arena during a Waseca home or away game will not be able to attend their player's game for three consecutive games.

I understand that by signing this document I am agreeing to support and promote this Parent/ Legal Guardian Code of Conduct Agreement. Further, my failure to comply with this agreement will result in disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion from the WHA.

Parent/ Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Player Signature: _____ Date: _____