



## Metcalf & District Hockey Association (MDHA)

### PARENT'S CODE OF CONDUCT & FAIR PLAY PLEDGE

**It is the intention of this Code of Conduct & Fair Play Pledge to promote respect for all participants and all volunteers within MDHA and for fair play in the game. All parents must sign this pledge before being allowed to participate in hockey and must continue to observe this throughout the season .**

1. I will not force my child to participate in hockey and remember that my child plays hockey for his or her enjoyment, not mine.
2. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league and shall support and uphold them to the best of my ability.
3. I will be a positive role model for my child by always displaying good sportsmanship, respect and courtesy. I will encourage good sportsmanship and fair play from my child at all times and I will applaud good plays and performances by both my child's team and their opponents.
4. I will respect the referees and game officials and their authority during every game. I will not dispute, challenge, question or argue any call, nor confront any referee or league official, at any time. I recognize officials are being developed in the same manner as players.
5. I will not swear, use profanity or make obscene gestures, or engage in inappropriate behaviour or conduct.
6. I will respect the good plays of both teams. I will not engage in taunting. I will not disturb the other spectators with my actions, language or behaviour, but will enjoy the game together.
7. I will encourage my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflict without resorting to hostility or violence.
8. 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 the game.
9. I will make my child feel like a winner every time by offering praise for competing fairly and hard.
10. I will never criticize, ridicule or yell at my child or any other player for making a mistake or losing a game.
11. I understand that playing a sport involves a commitment to the team. I will make every attempt to always get my child to every game and practice on time. Where this is not possible, I will contact my coach in advance
12. I will communicate with and fully support my child's Head Coach and Bench Staff. I will address any questions, concerns or problems with the team coach or manager for resolve and will then follow the MDHA Communication Policy for Dispute Resolution.
13. I will respect and show appreciation for the volunteers who give their time to hockey for my child. I will supervise my minor child while they are in attendance at a team event, practice, game and inform the manager if another person has been designated to supervise my child in my absence.

**I agree to abide by the principles of the FAIR PLAY CODE as set by the Hockey Canada and supported by the MDHA, GHA, ODMHA and HEO.**

As a member of MDHA, I will respect the MDHA Executive, Coaches, On-ice Helpers, Managers and all other volunteers who give their time freely to deliver minor hockey in MDHA and as such, afford the MDHA Executive the opportunity to address my questions, concerns or problems first, before going outside of the Association seeking resolve.

**I also agree to abide by the rules, regulations and decisions as set by the GHA and the MDHA and understand that failure to do so could result in a suspension of my privileges and/or my expulsion from the Association.**

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Parent # 1 (Print)

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Signature

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Parent # 2 (Print)

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