



Winterhurst Hockey – Player Code of Conduct

The Winterhurst Hockey Association (WHA) strongly believes in the values of teamwork, sportsmanship, and leadership through example. As a player in the WHA, your actions reflect not only on you, but also your teammates, your coaches, and the entire WHA.

Player Code of Conduct Agreement

As a player involved in the WHA, I agree to abide by and follow the rules and guidelines below:

- I will not curse or use foul language.
- I will not play music on an external speaker that includes cursing or foul language.
- I will not use a cell phone, camera, or other electronic device to take pictures in the locker room.
- I will respect my coaches at all times and listen carefully to their instructions. I understand that they are giving their time to make me a better hockey player. Any disrespect towards coaches such as cursing, talking back, hand gestures, or downgrading the coaching staff in any way will not be tolerated.
- I will support and respect my teammates and opponents at all times. I will not tease, bully, ridicule, put down, or make fun of any player on my or the opposing team at any time.
- I understand that my behavior reflects on my teammates, coaches, and the WHA. I will always be on my best behavior at practices, games, hotels, and other team events.
- I will not communicate anything negative about the coaching staff or players from the WHA or the arena and its property, verbally or via the Internet, Social Media, or Text Messaging.
- I will not complain about penalties or calls made by the referees and will respect the referees at all times. I understand that the referees are in charge of enforcing the rules of ice hockey, and I will respect their opinions at all times.
- I will show good sportsmanship at all times, both when winning and losing. I will always congratulate the other team and wish them good luck.
- I will be committed to developing as a hockey player. This includes attending practice, listening to coaches and always giving my best effort.
- I will arrive at practices and games on time and prepared. I understand it is my responsibility to have all of my equipment properly maintained and ready for use.
- I will always leave the locker room clean and in good condition, both at my home and away rinks. I will respect the property of the rink and the WHA.
- I will never bring drugs, alcohol, tobacco products, or weapons of any kind to any team practice, game, trip, or other event.



Winterhurst Player Conduct Violations and Penalties

Violations	Penalties
TIER 1	
• Cursing or using foul language. • Teasing, ridiculing, or making fun of any player on any team. • Leaving the ice or off-ice area without being released by the coaching staff. • Being disrespectful to others. • Being disrespectful to rink staff or property.	• Suspension for up to one week of practices and/or a one-game suspension.
TIER 2	
• Damaging facility property, WHA property, or a teammate's property or equipment. • Going through another person's personal property without permission. • Arguing with officials. • Talking back to or speaking disrespectfully about the coaching staff. • Bullying.	• Suspension for up to two weeks of practices and/or up to a two-game suspension.
TIER 3	
• Making derogatory remarks based on ethnicity, sex, or other personal characteristics. • Continuing to curse, use inappropriate gestures, or argue after being instructed by the coaching staff to stop. • Throwing items or equipment toward another person. • Engaging in any physical assault involving the player and another person. • Cyberbullying through social media or other electronic communication.	• Suspension for up to four weeks from practices and all games during the suspension period. • Suspension could be extended based on the severity and injury sustained by the other person • Possible dismissal from the WHA.

Any repetitive or continuous violations of Tier 1 or Tier 2 violations may result in the violation being bumped into a higher Tier and lead to more penalties or dismissal from the WHA. All penalties may be levied in addition to penalties levied by affiliates (i.e. CSHL, USA Hockey, City of Lakewood, etc.).

*No refunds will be granted after a dismissal from the WHA.