

# **Ice Dawgs Parent Code of Conduct**



As a parent/guardian of a child participating in the MayPort Area Ice Dawgs Hockey Club, I commit to fostering a positive, respectful, and supportive environment for all players, coaches, officials, and fellow spectators.

I agree to abide by the following rules and expectations:

#### 1. General Conduct

- I will abide by the rules and regulations of USA Hockey, North Dakota Amateur Hockey Association, North Dakota High School Activities Association (if applicable) and the Ice Dawgs Hockey Club.
- I will conduct myself in a manner that reflects positively on my child, the team, and the organization.
- I will not use abusive, offensive, or disrespectful language or behavior at any practices, games, or events.

## 2. Supporting My Child's Development

- I recognize that youth sports exist for the players' enjoyment and development—not mine.
- I will encourage my child to play their chosen sport but will not pressure them into participation.
- I will support my child in learning to handle both success and failure with grace.
- I will allow my child to make mistakes and learn from them, focusing on effort and growth.

### 3. Respect for Coaches and Team Structure

- I will not interfere with coaching, including yelling instructions from the stands, giving direction during games or practices, or contradicting the coach's guidance.
- I understand that playing time is determined solely by the coaching staff and is not negotiable.
  - Playing time decisions are **not up for discussion** during or after games or practices.
- I will contact coaches or team manager in advance if my child will be late to or absent from practices or games.
- I will ensure my child's equipment is complete, safe, and in good condition.

#### 4. Good Sportsmanship

- I will promote fair play by encouraging my child to respect the rules and demonstrate good sportsmanship.
- I will applaud the effort and achievements of all players—on both teams—regardless of the outcome of the game.
- I will not taunt, heckle, or disrespect referees, coaches, players, or other spectators.





# 5. Event Expectations

- I will model calm, respectful behavior during games and practices to create a positive atmosphere.
- I understand that locker rooms are private areas designated for players, coaches, and officials, and I will follow all related policies set by the Ice Dawgs Hockey Club.

#### **6. Conflict Resolution**

- I will follow the 24-hour rule before contacting a coach, board member, or official regarding any concern. This allows time for reflection and helps ensure respectful communication.
- I understand that inappropriate behavior or failure to follow this Code may result in disciplinary action, including being asked to leave practices, games, or events, and/or additional sanctions imposed by the Ice Dawgs Hockey Club Board of Directors.

Parent/Guardian Name:
Parent/Guardian Signature:
Date:
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Player(s) Name: