

HPHL COACH CODE OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT

While winning is a consideration, it is neither the sole focus nor the most important one. A coach can have a lifelong impact on a young player, often more significant than the influence of most others in the player's life.

As a coach, I agree to:

- Display emotional maturity and serve as a positive role model for my players. Refrain from using profane or vulgar language or gestures on the bench, in the locker room, and at team functions.
- Avoid consuming alcohol at the rink prior to practices and games.
- Prioritize the physical and emotional safety of all players.
- Offer generous praise when it is deserved and maintain consistency, honesty, fairness, and justice.
- Refrain from publicly criticizing players and never verbally or physically abuse a player or official. Listen attentively and be responsive to the personal needs and challenges of players. Maintain open lines of communication with parents.
- Provide all players with opportunities to improve skills, build confidence, and develop self esteem.
- Adhere to USA Hockey SafeSport policies and guidelines at all times—including on the ice, on the bench, in the locker room, at team events, and in all interactions with players (e.g., carpooling, meals, hotels, private lessons).

CONDUCT SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINE

The following actions will be considered violations of this Code and may lead to disciplinary action: • Making physical contact with any player, coach, official, league representative, arena personnel, or spectator.

- Taunting or threatening any player, coach, official, league representative, arena personnel, or spectator.
- Entering the locker/dressing room of an opposing team or blocking their access to or exit from the room or arena.
- Entering the officials' locker/dressing room or obstructing their access to or exit from the room or arena.
- Using profane or vulgar language or gestures.
- Throwing any object onto the ice, into player areas, or at another person.
- Pounding on or climbing the glass.
- Defacing or damaging property belonging to any individual, team, association, or arena. Engaging in any behavior that necessitates law enforcement involvement.
- Inciting others to participate in any of the above behaviors.

By signing below, I agree to uphold and promote this Code of Conduct. I understand that failure to comply with this agreement, or engaging in any conduct subject to discipline, may result in disciplinary actions, up to and including expulsion from the HPHL.