

## Rockford RoadRunners Hockey Club Player Code of Conduct

I hereby pledge to assume certain responsibilities as a member of the Rockford RoadRunners Hockey Club. I will adhere to the Player Code of Conduct in the following ways:

- 1. I will put school before hockey and will keep my grades at a level that is acceptable to my school and parents.
- 2. I will learn and follow the rules and policies set forth by my coaches, the Hockey Club, AHAI, USA Hockey, and the leagues that I participate in.
- 3. I will take time to learn the rules of the game and always play by them.
- 4. I will treat all coaches, players, parents, opponents, opposing fans, and officials with respect and dignity at every game, practice, in the locker room, and at any RHC activity or youth hockey event.
- 5. I will respect the property of others at all times. Any player who damages a rink or other personal or public property while participating in any RHC related activity will be automatically suspended until resolution is made.
- 6. I will not use alcohol, tobacco products or illegal substances and understand that this can result in expulsion from the team.
- 7. I will be a good sportsman and will encourage all around me to show good sportsmanship and respect for all coaches, players, opponents, opposing fans, and officials at every game, practice, RHC activity or youth hockey event.
- 8. I will not make negative gestures or use profanity and/or inappropriate language or gestures towards my teammates, opponents, coaches, opposing coaches, officials, parents or spectators.
- 9. I will adhere to the RHC Social Media Policy.
- 10. I agree that there is no place for fighting, violent or overly aggressive play in hockey, where the obvious intent is to injure or harm another player. I understand that any penalty for fighting will result in a minimum suspension of three (3) games in accordance to the suspension policies of NIHL/CSDHL/AHAI/USA Hockey.
- 11. I understand that any violations for fighting or receiving a match penalty will also result in a mandatory hearing in front of the RHC Rules and Ethics Committee where I may be subject to additional penalties including the possibility of expulsion from the organization without ANY refunds.
- 12. I will do my best to show up to practices and games at the time my coaches have requested prepared and ready to learn, work and compete.
- 13. I will be a team player. I will not place blame for a loss or tie on my teammates. I understand we win and lose as a team. I will cooperate with and support my teammates and coaches.



- 14. I will not make negative remarks about my teammates, other players, coaches, officials, or parents.
- 15. I will dedicate myself to trying my best and exhibiting good discipline both on and off the ice.
- 16. I will volunteer for RHC activities that support the community and fundraising initiatives.
- 17. I understand that Coaches have the authority to bench any player for any part of the game or future game, for open personal criticism of teammates, coaches, or referees; abusive or obscene language; unsportsmanlike conduct; anger; fighting; and conduct unbecoming a player, regardless of any action taken by game officials.

**Players:** With my signature, which I voluntarily affix to this contract, I acknowledge that I have read, understand, and will adhere to the responsibilities contained herein. If found to violate these policies, I will abide by and adhere to the decisions of the Rockford Hockey Club as represented by its Board of Directors and Rules and Ethics Committee with respect to any suspension, expulsion or penalties that may result.

**Parents:** I acknowledge that I have read, understand, and agree with the above. Additionally, I have reviewed this Code of Conduct with my player.

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