

CIHA Player Code of Conduct

The intent of this policy is to follow the USA Hockey Zero Tolerance Policy and to:

Take pride in their team and contribute to the team's unity. Adhere strictly to the coach's rules and be supportive of the coach's practice plans, game plans, and other decisions. Participate in all games and practices unless there is a compelling reason for missing. Notify the coach or manager of an absence in advance of the event. Give a reason such as religion class, school activity, illness, etc. for the absence. Be at the rink by the appointed time as set by the coach.

As a Cambridge-Isanti Hockey Association (CIHA) Player, I understand that:

1. It is a privilege, not a right, to play youth hockey.
2. Sportsmanship, teamwork and fair play are essential to the sport of hockey and are the most important skills that I can possibly gain from being involved in youth hockey.
3. Hockey is recognized as a team sport and the interests of the team shall take precedence over individual exploits.
4. No player shall criticize another teammate's play, a referee, any coaches, or opposing players. The only individuals who may speak to officials are the coaches and/or designated captains under the instruction of their coaches.
5. All players are expected to conduct themselves in a respectable manner. Destructive or delinquent behavior, during or after a game or practice, will not be tolerated. Players are expected to be attentive when coaches explain practice drills, game strategies, or any other information or instruction.
6. Players should never attempt to deliberately injure another player or player/s. Any player incurring a MATCH penalty for "Attempt to Injure", or other offense deemed equally serious by the coach, shall be subject to suspension beyond the USA Hockey rules as deemed appropriate by the CIHA Board. In the event of an incident occurring, the Coed Director will be notified as soon as possible.
7. Players will adhere to the Minnesota Hockey Handbook regarding Mood-Altering Chemicals in Section XIV of the [25-26 Minnesota Hockey Handbook](#). CIHA will follow the penalties as listed in the Minnesota Hockey Handbook.
8. Possession, use, or distribution of weapons, or look-alike weapons is strictly prohibited in arena building, on arena grounds, and during any and all hockey sponsored events.
9. There will be ZERO tolerance of abusive behavior. Harassment, obscene language or gestures, and other behavior deemed to be abusive toward coaches, referees, minor officials, opponents, teammates, spectators, or Association officials will not be tolerated and will have consequences.

As a Cambridge-Isanti Player, I understand that violations of the Player Code of Conduct will have the following consequences:

First Violation: The player will be verbally warned by the coach with the parent and Coed Director notified.

Second Violation: The player will be removed from the game, practice, or other team event. In the case of a game or practice, the player will be required to leave the premises and will be warned in writing and the Coed Director notified as soon as possible.

Third Violation: The player will be removed from the team pending a meeting with the CIHA Board. Penalties will range from a three-game suspension to removal from the team for the remainder of the season.

Additional consequences via Minnesota Hockey, USA Hockey, SafeSport Programming, and other legal council will be followed as deemed legally necessary.

*Any player misconduct not specifically alluded to above will be dealt with on an individual basis by the CIHA Board.

I, _____, agree to follow the CIHA Player Code of Conduct as outlined in this document. I understand that consequences regarding violations of the CIHA Player Code of Conduct may result in actions above and beyond the CIHA consequences listed in this document.

Player Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

Player Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____