



# WAUKESHA LACROSSE CLUB

## CLUB POLICY FOR PLAYERS, PARENTS AND/OR LEGAL GUARDIANS

- 1. I commit to making sure my child arrives at games and practices on time.** This means often arriving early so that my child has enough time to get situated prior to joining our practice or pre-game preparations. I will contact coaches in the event my child will be late or miss practice or a game.
- 2. I will be sure that my child is properly equipped, hydrated and fueled for practices and games.** This includes proper uniforms (and clothing/outerwear depending on weather), equipment, mouth guards, sun-protection, water and meals.
- 3. I will respect our practice spaces.** This means that no other minors, siblings or friends can attend without adult supervision. Locker rooms will not be available and bathrooms are limited. Use the bathroom before coming to practice. Gyms are our designated practice spaces and roaming the halls is not allowed. Only swax, tennis and soft rubber balls are permitted indoors. Official lacrosse balls cannot be used indoors as they damage the floors and potentially other equipment in the gyms.
- 4. I will show respect for the referees.** They will often make the wrong call, but the job of the referee is not an easy one. Many of the referees are high school students. Voicing my displeasure will not improve the situation.
- 5. I will stay away from the field during games and allow coaches to coach.** While this is not always easy, I know that no one is allowed to be on the field or team sidelines during games. I will also respect the field rules of other areas that are not permitted.
- 6. I will be a role model for my child regarding good sportsmanship, teamwork and self-worth.** These things start with the adults, and the players will behave accordingly. We will take pride in how we carry ourselves and treat others.
- 7. I am responsible for the behavior of all family members at games and practices.** Others may attend games to cheer on my child, and I need to be sure that they also handle themselves according to these rules.

- 8. I will provide encouragement and support for my child and all players on the team.** It's important to provide the same positive encouragement and support for my child and my child's teammates. We're in this together!
- 9. I will respect the opposing team, coaches and fans.** They are the same as us in many ways, but they simply wear different uniforms. Appreciation for their performance and respect for their abilities will contribute to a positive game environment.
- 10. I understand that winning is important to the team, but the primary objective is promoting an environment of growth and learning.** They will win. They will lose. They will make mistakes. One of the most important things will be what they learn from success and failure.
- 11. I will respect the challenges the coaches face and the time commitment they make.** I know that coaching isn't easy. It's a significant contribution of time and energy, often with the side effect of stress.
- 12. I will respect my team uniform.** Practice pinnies are provided by the club one time for players. They are expected to be worn at all practices. These can be ordered yearly as needed to replace or change sizes, at family's expense. Game jerseys are property of the club. They are not to be worn outside of games. They need to be removed when consuming food and drinks other than water. Eye black must be worn properly and removed before taking off game jerseys. I understand that my \$200 check will be cashed in June if game jerseys are damaged or not returned to the club.
- 13. I will offer my help as a volunteer.** The success of this club is run on the contributions of volunteers, and I will contribute my part and sign up for "dibs". I understand that my \$200 check will be cashed in June if requirements are not met.
- 14. I will make payments for club fees as scheduled.** The club is not a bank, and several payments are due on a scheduled basis for tournaments, uniforms, referees, facilities and more. I will contact the club treasurer if I need to make alternative arrangements for payment.
- 15. I will do everything within my control to make this a positive experience for my child, other players, families, coaches and club board.** I will do my part to contribute to this lacrosse family!

I will not consistently neglect or ignore these rules. Depending on the severity and frequency of my infractions, I understand that my child's and my actions may impact the standing of my child on their team. I understand these rules, and I will do my best to always represent this club and my child well. I understand there is a zero-tolerance policy for harassment and/or bullying. Behaviors, actions, words or images in verbal, physical, written, pictorial, video, or electronic form that are threatening, disturbing, intimidating, discriminatory, illegal, derogatory, cruel or unwanted- aimed directly or indirectly towards another person will not be tolerated. Violation of this policy will result in suspension from the team for the current season and a review by club board of directors for privilege to play the following season.

**Policy Acknowledgement**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Waukesha Lacrosse Club Player Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Waukesha Lacrosse Club Player Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Waukesha Lacrosse Club Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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