



Parents' Code of Conduct and Responsibilities

- Support the philosophies and policies of the IGHHA.
- Do not force your children to participate in sports, but support their desire to play their chosen sport. Children are involved in organized sports for their enjoyment. Make it fun.
- Encourage your child to play by the rules. Remember, children learn best by example, so applaud the good plays of both teams.
- Don't compare your child with other players. Be honest with yourself about his/her capabilities.
- Maintain self-control and exemplify good sportsmanship, refraining from public criticism of officials, coaches, parents, and players.
- Support your coaches. Remember that they have many players for whom they are responsible.
- Recognize the importance of coaches. Communicate with them and support them.
- Study and know the rules of the game; support the officials on and off the ice.
- Arrange transportation to and from games, practices, scrimmages, and tournaments.
- Remember that you, as well as your team, represent our community.
- Take care of your financial responsibilities to the IGHHA promptly.
- Remember the locker room is for the players and coaches; respect team rules regarding access.
- Attend board meetings. Provide feedback and build your understanding of the association's activities.
- Teach your child to have fun and enjoy competition. Applaud a good effort in victory and in defeat. Enforce the positive points of the game.
- Fulfill your voluntary obligation to Inver Grove Heights Hockey Association

- You are the most important example to your child. Be everything you want your child to be.

Parents Rights

1. To have their player(s) and themselves treated fairly, with dignity and respect.
2. To have their player(s) playing and practicing in a safe and healthy environment.
3. To have their player(s) engaged in playing and practicing activities that increase his/her skill and enjoyment of the sport.
4. To have the right to communicate directly with anyone associated with the association (coaches, board, etc.).

Parent Disciplinary Guidelines

The following guidelines for parents will be in effect for all IGHHA-sponsored events, including, but not limited to, games, practices, scrimmages, team meetings, and association events. All offenses are subject to documentation.

Consistent or circumstantial action which deviates from the responsibilities and values outlined above and defined by the IGHHA in this handbook or throughout the course of the season, or which disrupts the ability of the team to function, the ability of other players to learn, or the ability of the coaches to teach, will not be tolerated. Parents are subject to and must agree to the following process.

1. Allow a one-day cooling-off period from the time of the violation.
2. 1st step: the coach and the party in question will discuss the situation.
3. If not satisfactory, 2nd step: either party should contact the Level Coordinator.
4. If not satisfactory, the 3rd step either party should contact Hockey Operations.

Initial Offense

The IGHHA Board or the Designated Authority will serve as the Discipline Committee (Conduct Review Board) will be notified. This Board or the Designated Authority will serve as the Discipline Committee (Review Board), consisting of the President, Director of Hockey Operations, and Level

Coordinator, and will conduct a hearing with the parties involved. Discipline consistent with the violation may be given.

Subsequent Offense(s)

Upon subsequent offenses in the same season, the IGHHA Board or the Designated Authority will serve as the Discipline Committee (Conduct Review Board) and will be notified. Discipline consistent with the violation may be given, as well as placement on probation.

Chronic Offense(s)

Parent may be suspended from all team activities for the remainder of the season, following another Board or the Designated Authority will serve as the Discipline Committee (Conduct Review Board) hearing.

NO REFUNDS OR EXEMPTIONS FROM FUNDRAISING RESPONSIBILITIES AND IGHHA PAYMENTS WILL BE GIVEN SHOULD THE BOARD OR THE DESIGNATED AUTHORITY SERVE AS THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE (REVIEW BOARD) RULE AGAINST THE PARENT.