

CTHA - ROCKY MOUNTAIN ROUGHRIDERS® PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

The Code of Conduct identifies the standard of behavior that is expected of all Rocky Mountain RoughRiders Hockey Club members.

The Rocky Mountain RoughRiders ('RMRR') are committed to maintaining a community which recognizes and values the inherent equity, worth and dignity of every person; fosters tolerance, sensitivity, understanding, and mutual respect and inclusion among its members; and encourages each individual to strive to reach his or her own potential. RMRR believes that diversity among its many members (players, coaches, parents, volunteers, and the Board of Directors) strengthens the league, stimulates creativity, promotes the exchange of ideas, and enriches the overall experience of those participating in the sport of hockey.

RMRR views, evaluates, and treats all persons in any RMRR related activity or circumstance in which they may be involved, solely as individuals based on their own personal abilities, qualifications, and other relevant characteristics.

RMRR prohibits harassment, intimidation, and discrimination on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin or ancestry, ethnicity, language, genetic information, familial or marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, or disability in admission to its programs, services or activities, in access to them, in treatment of individuals, or in any aspect of its operations. RMRR will conduct its program and activities consistent with applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and orders. Anyone who believes they have been subjected to any kind of discrimination should inform a RMRR representative.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT & EXPECTATIONS:

- Parents are part of the TEAM and must behave as such. A Coach's efforts to establish a positive relationship with the game officials can be made impossible due to the actions of a parent.
- Any verbal or physical abuse of officials or inappropriate conduct by a parent will result in their expulsion from the arena for that game and possibly all future games.
- Throughout the hockey season, a coach will be actively working towards teambuilding with his players. To undermine those efforts by complaining and/or commenting negatively is unacceptable. It is important to recognize, as a member of the team, that the parents' role is to be supportive and respectful of all those involved in the game.
- Group/team emails sent out that undermine the teambuilding efforts by complaining and/or commenting negatively is unacceptable and may result in disciplinary action.
- As part of the player's development, parents should encourage the player to discuss any concerns with the Coach. Conflict resolution is an important skill for the player to learn and parents should provide the support and encouragement necessary for the player to resolve his or her own issues.
- A parent continually complaining on the sidelines benefits no one. Our experience has been that, while the parent may not feel his or her expectations are being met, the player is not as dissatisfied. If you are not able to sit back and simply enjoy the game, please consider staying at home and allowing the player to benefit from the team experience.
- Teams with parents who team build with social functions and/or fund-raising activities tend to do better than teams who do not.

SPORTSMANSHIP AND RESPECT:

- Only POSITIVE comments will be given out during games/practices/team events to Referees, Players,

Coaches, Managers, and other parents. (FIRST infraction - you will receive a warning from the Coach or Hockey Director. Any infraction after that may result in Disciplinary action).

- All player issues are to be addressed FIRST by the player, NOT the parent or guardian. If you are NOT satisfied with the results, then discuss with the head coach and the player at the same time. (FIRST infraction - you will receive a warning from the Coach or Hockey Director. Any infraction after that may result in Disciplinary action).
- 24 Hour Rule: If for any reason there is a conflict between the parent/player and a member of the coaching staff during a game, a minimum of 24 hours must pass before contact between the parent/player and the coach. This is a cooling down period for all involved. If this requirement is not met, this may result in the player not playing the next scheduled game, and if this occurs a second time the player may be removed from the team for an extended period of time.
- Any conflict you feel is unfair should be taken to the Rocky Mountain RoughRiders Hockey Director. We are all here for the players to play a game.
- Reinforce the player expectation the coaches are seeking. Please do not provide contradicting information.
- HAVE FUN! It is a great game that your child gets to play!