



STOUGHTON

Youth Hockey Association

SYHA Terms of Play Agreement Policy

I understand that skating and playing ice hockey can include occasional injuries. I understand that there is a risk of injury to participants and spectators including the risk of paralysis and death. I understand it is important that participants protect themselves by wearing the proper equipment which includes, but is not limited to, a helmet with face guard, mouth guard, neck guard, shin pads, shoulder pads/chest protector, elbow pads, hockey gloves, breezers, and athletic supporter with cup or pelvic protector. I understand it is equally important for participants to conduct themselves in a respectful sportsmanlike manner and obey the coaching staff's directions at all times. Irresponsible or unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated.

Practices will be conducted in a manner to minimize bodily harm and emphasize sportsmanship and conducting oneself in a manner that is respectful of other players, coaches, spectators, and parents, and teaches self respect and respect for hockey officials. Player sportsmanship agreement:

I, as a skater of the Stoughton Youth Hockey Association (SYHA), do acknowledge receipt of and agree to adhere to the following rules throughout the calendar year:

1. I agree to display conduct both on and off the ice that reflects only the highest code of conduct, remembering at all times that my conduct is a direct reflection upon my parents, friends, and SYHA program which I represent.
2. I agree to use only language that is acceptable social behavior.
3. I agree to refrain from use of alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drugs, and not to associate with individuals who do one or more of these substances.
4. I agree to listen to directions of my coaches and to show respect towards coaches at all times.
5. I understand that violation of any of these rules can lead to reduced playing time or ultimate dismissal from the program. Player sportsmanship agreement violations and consequences:

First offense: removal from game or practice and suspension from playing in the next game. Second offense: removal from game or practice and suspension from playing in the next three games. Third offense: removal from game or practice and suspension from the club for the remainder of the season with forfeiture of fees and expenses. In spite of the progressive disciplinary procedure above, it is understood and agreed that any single violation deemed egregious enough by the Board of Directors may result in reduced playing time or ultimate dismissal from the program. Parent sportsmanship agreement and consequences: As a parent of the above skater, I agree with the above rules and violation consequences. I also agree that if I have a problem with a coach or club member I will bring the problem to the attention of the team representative or age level director in a timely manner, and will attempt in good faith to resolve the problem. I agree that one of the major goals of the SYHA is to promote sportsmanship, and that poor sportsmanship will not be tolerated. I will refrain from any negative comments or gestures or inappropriate language that may reflect on my child or the program. I will abide by these sportsmanship rules and encourage my child to do the same. I understand that if I fail to follow these rules, I will be asked to leave the premises and/or subject myself to the consequences listed above. Release of claims by participants for personal injury and property damage: In consideration of granting my child permission to participate in SYHA for the season, the undersigned parent or guardian of said child hereby consents to such participation and specifically agrees to the following terms: I hereby release and discharge SYHA, City of

Stoughton, Dane County, Wisconsin, its agents, coaches, and officers from all claims, demands, actions, judgments, and executions which the undersigned ever had, or has now, or may have, or claim to have,

against SYHA, its successors or assigns, for all personal injuries and injuries to property, known or unknown, caused by or arising out of participation by my said child in the playing of hockey. I understand and am aware of the fact that by being a participant in the season, I assume certain risks of injury to my child. I am willing to assume the risks of such injury including, but not limited to, any injury that may be

caused by other participants or spectators. I understand and appreciate that the risk from hockey is significant, including the potential for permanent paralysis and death, and while particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist. By my child's participating, I knowingly assume all such risks, both known and unknown. Further, I have read, understand, and agree to

the Waiver of Liability, Release and Indemnity Agreement as printed on the back of the USA Hockey Individual Membership Registration Form, and confirm that the absence of my signature on that form is due only to administrative facilitation of my child's registration. My child is participating by their own free will and accept the risks associated with participation. If I believe the risk of participation is greater than I desire, I can withdraw my child from the program at will. I will not hold Stoughton Youth Hockey Association, the program staff, any of their volunteers, or the Mandt Center liable.