



## TYH HANDBOOK, version 2.0.0

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## TYH HANDBOOK

Thunderbird Youth Hockey is a member of USA Hockey and WAHA and follows all association membership rules and regulations:

### MISSION STATEMENT

Thunderbird Youth Hockey is a 501(c)3 organization that provides children in Baraboo and the surrounding communities with an affordable opportunity to play hockey in a safe and inclusive environment. Our mission is to provide a positive youth hockey experience for players of all skill levels and backgrounds, while developing lifetime skills of commitment, work ethic, teamwork and physical fitness. In the presence of members of the opposite sex, all undergarments need to be covered. If a player needs to change to anything less than this, it must be done where no members of the opposite sex are present (i.e. Bathroom).

### USA HOCKEY

- [USA HOCKEY PARENT HANDBOOK](#)
- [WAHA Guidebook & Directory](#)

The following is a list of Thunderbird Youth Hockey policies. Please read the information and note that by registering your player(s) online with TYH you agree to abide by these policies. You may choose to print a copy to keep for your records.

### REGISTRATION

All TYH players must complete the registration process. Begin your player's online registration at:

- [Thunderbird Youth Hockey](#)
- New Users: Create a crossbar account. How to documentation can be found at [TYH GETTING STARTED WITH CROSSBAR](#)
- Returning Users: Enter login information.

### USA HOCKEY REGISTRATION

Each TYH player must register with USA Hockey and each player must have their own unique USA Hockey confirmation number. Register here [USA MEMBERSHIP](#).

### PAYMENTS

MAIL ALL CHECKS TO:  
Thunderbird Youth Hockey (TYH)  
PO BOX 207, Baraboo WI 53913

Please note there are a total of **6 potential payments if applicable per player**, payments/deposits: player registration fee, service hours (deposit or buyout), gear rental fee, fundraiser buyout option, jersey deposit/jersey payment, and game hockey sock order.

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*EARLY BIRD SPECIAL ENDS AFTER IN PERSON REGISTRATION 8/15/25*

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**REGISTRATION PAYMENT OPTIONS:**

- **BUY IN FULL:** Registration fees and or service hour fees are paid in full.
- **PAYMENT PLAN:** Fees are divided into 4 equal installments due monthly on the 1st. Can be paid with 4 checks dated 10/1/25, 12/1/25, 1/1/26 and 2/1/26 or through your TYH Crossbar account. The first installment is collected upon conclusion of the registration session via Visa, MasterCard, Discover, or checking account. The remaining balance will be automatically debited in 3 equal installments from the SAME ACCOUNT. If you wish to use a different account to pay the balance, please log in to your TYH Crossbar account BEFORE the first day of payment to update your account information.

**SECONDARY TEAMS:**

TYH players cross rostering will be responsible for registration fees, service hours, and fundraisers for their primary team. Players with a Non-Thunderbird Youth Hockey primary team will be responsible for TYH registration fees and TYH service hours per the Thunderbird Youth Hockey Service Hours Contract.

BIRTH YEAR	TEAM	EARLY BIRD PRICE	REGULAR PRICE
Bantam –TYH will not be sponsoring a Bantam Team for the 2025/2026 season.			
Contact Greg Sarnow <a href="mailto:sarnowfamily@gmail.com">sarnowfamily@gmail.com</a> or (608) 547-5498 with any questions.			
2013-2014	Peewee	\$425	\$525
2015-2016	Squirt	\$400	\$500
2017-2018	U8 Mite	\$225	\$325
2019-2020	U6 Mite	\$225	\$325
2011-2022	LTS First Session (New Players)	\$0	\$0
2011-2022	LTS Additional Session(s) (Returning Players)	\$75	\$75
2011-2012	U14 Girls	\$225	\$325
2013-2014	U12 Girls	\$225	\$325
2015-2016	U10 Girls	\$225	\$325

**SERVICE HOURS PAYMENTS:**

All players requiring service hours will need a **deposit** check if the family intends to work the required hours. Service hours can be bought out either at the time of registration or by mailing a buyout check (1 per family). In addition, all teams will be responsible for covering the open skate positions and duties as assigned approximately twice per season.

- **DEPOSIT:** check dated 02/15/26. Please note "DEPOSIT" on the memo line.

- **BUYOUT:** check dated 10/01/25. Please note "BUYOUT" on the memo line.

LEVEL	HOURS TO WORK	DEPOSIT
1 <sup>st</sup> year players w/ new USA Hockey Numbers ( includes 1 <sup>st</sup> session Learn to Skate Players within Portage/Baraboo school district)	0	\$0
Learn to Skate – each 6–8-week session after the 1 <sup>st</sup> free session	6	\$150
Secondary Teams	15	\$300
All Primary Teams	20	\$500
<b>*Teams are responsible for covering open skate duties and positions as assigned. These hours are not included in the service hours.</b>		

**Concessions make up the majority of the service hours available.** TYH assigned positions are eligible for the following service hour reduction:

- Rink Crew: rink set up and tear down, zamboni driving, and building maintenance - 100% reduction on service hours.
- Website Administrator - 50% reduction on service hours.
- Rostered head coaches - 100% reduction on service hours.
- Rostered assistant coaches - 50% reduction on service hours.
- Team Managers (1)- 100% reduction on service hours.
- Board of Directors and chairpersons do not receive a service hour fee reduction.

#### *Team Responsibilities:*

Parents are required to help fulfill team responsibilities. Positions include but are not limited to; penalty box attendant, score clock operator, score keeper, tournament positions, and open skate positions and duties. Team Managers will provide a schedule of positions that need to be filled for games and open skate responsibilities. If you are not able to meet the obligation, please work with team families to move around the schedule. Team responsibilities cannot be "bought out" unless chosen to pay someone to do the responsibilities (which would be between the payer and payee.)

#### *GEAR RENTAL PAYMENT:*

Buy in full only: Gear rental fees for the current season are paid in full at registration or by mailing a check dated 10/1/25. Please note "GEAR RENTAL" on the memo line.

LEVEL	COST
1 <sup>st</sup> year/session with new USA hockey number Learn to Skate – Mite	\$0
Learn to Skate each session	\$25 for full set, \$5 per item
Returning Skaters - Mite	\$50 for full set, \$10 per item

Equipment not provided: neck guard, hockey stick, mouthguard, athletic supporter. For goalies, TYH will provide goalie helmets, gloves, and pads through at least the Mite level. An appointment will need to be made with the equipment manager if unable to attend any of the equipment handouts. Equipment must be turned in at the end of the season. All equipment borrowed from TYH must be returned at designated equipment return dates. All rented equipment should be cleaned before returned to the Association. TYH association gear is available to

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rent for the Spring/Summer season. A full set of gear will be \$50 or \$10 per item. Please attend one of the regular season gear hand in times to fill out the paperwork and make payment.

TYH will purchase some used hockey gear depending on size, wear, and need. Reach out to the gear manager with questions.

### *JERSEY DEPOSIT FOR COED TEAMS MITE - BANTAM:*

**COED TEAM JERSEYS:** A deposit check dated 03/15/26 in the amount of \$200 (per player) is required for Mite-Bantam players. Please note "JERSEY DEPOSIT" on the memo line of the check.

Checks can be mailed or handed in at the mandatory team meetings when jersey agreements are signed and jerseys are handed out.

**GIRLS TEAM JERSEYS:** Girls team jerseys will be purchased by the individual players and will be the players' property. No deposit check is needed. Both home & away jerseys are required.

- Home Jersey \$75
- Away Jersey \$75

### *GAME SOCKS:*

Sublimated Game Day Sock will be part of the TYH uniform

- **LTS:** knit practice socks will be provided at no cost
- **Girl's teams, Mites, Squirt, Peewee, and Bantam:** two set \$40

### *FUNDRAISERS PAYMENTS:*

TYH has mandatory fundraising for Primary Teams to help keep registration fees low. The fundraiser is **per family**. More information regarding each fundraising option will be available at in person registration and the team meeting.

- Calendar fundraiser - must sell \$200 worth. Money is returned with sold calendar stubs.
- Fundraiser buyout for \$200 (receive no goods in return). A check can be mailed to TYH. Please note "FUNDRAISER" in the memo line.

TYH also hosts many additional fundraising opportunities through the year, such as brat stands, fair booths, parades, and fun runs. These are not required fundraisers, but all help is welcome, and some hours may apply to service hours.

## REFUNDS

Refunds are given only upon request. If any registered player drops out of hockey before November 1st, the family can receive a full refund. If the player drops out between Nov. 1st and Jan. 31st, the refund is prorated based upon participation between November 1 and January 31. There will be no refunds given to players who drop out after Jan 31st. However, if a player is moving to another hockey association, refunds are given to said player if TYH is unable to field a team at his/her age level or the player is moving, no matter when notification is given. Final refund decisions regarding players moving to another hockey association are determined by majority vote of the TYH Board of Directors. Eligible refunds are disbursed for 30 days from notification.

## NECK LACERATION PROTECTORS

The USA Hockey Congress approved legislation at its Winter Meeting on Jan. 28, 2024, that will require use of neck laceration protection (sometimes referred to as neck guards) for players in all age classifications, other than adults, in games and practices -- as well as for on-ice officials under the age of 18 -- beginning August 1, 2024. This includes youth, girls and junior age classifications.

## PHOTOS AND SOCIAL MEDIA

TYH, which includes board members, team managers, and/or coaches, use photographs of our players in publications and advertising materials, printed or electronic, related to TYH activities. Guardians may reach out to their player's team manager if they would like their player not to be included in TYH photos.

## PRACTICE

Time is limited to the players of that team on the ice. Each player at all levels should get the same ice time and reps. There should not be players from other teams or other levels participating in practices outside of their normal team practices, unless that player has been approved to double roster and needs to practice with the teams, they have been assigned to double roster with.

## TOURNAMENTS

U6 through Bantam will have the opportunity to participate in 1 tournament paid by TYH. Families will be responsible for paying for their own hotel room and expenses. Coaches/Team Managers may add additional tournaments that will be at the expense of the families.

## PLAYING UP

It is the policy of TYH that each registered player will play at his/her age level as set forth by USA Hockey and WAHA rules. Returning players must initially register at the proper age level. However, there may be requests for players to play up to an age level. These requests to play up will be an exception to the norm and will be evaluated by the TYH Coaching Committee and Board of Directors on a case-by-case basis. The Association's needs (i.e. teams) shall take precedence over individual desires. For example, there may be a need to fill the roster of a higher age level team in order to field a team at that level and there may be a few players who would be prepared to play up to assist the Association's/team's needs. Additionally, there may be rare exceptions where playing up is in the best interest of a player's hockey development, although this must not come at the expense of severely weakening/not being able to field a team at the lower age level. If you are interested in your 8U player skating up, please submit the [WAHA form 8U Player Request to Move Up to 10U-Playing Season](#) to [thunderbirdyouthhockey@gmail.com](mailto:thunderbirdyouthhockey@gmail.com).

If a player's request to play up is granted, the parent or guardian making the request WILL BE responsible for the difference in registration dues.

The requirements are as follows:

- Association Requested: If the number of players at a certain age level warrant, the Association may request players to play at a level higher than their current age level in order to accommodate reasonable team sizes. The request of players will be made after registration when the number of players at any given level will be known. The player's placement will be based upon criteria set forth in the player's requested policy. Final decisions as to which player(s) play up will be made based upon player capabilities and coach recommendations. Association requests are on a voluntary basis only and require the consent of the Coach, the player, and the parent(s) or guardian(s). If the player changes age level at the request of the Association, they ARE NOT responsible for the difference in registration.
- Player Requested: A parent or guardian of an Association player may request, in writing, an age level change (Mite to Squirt, Squirt to Peewee, etc...). The Coaching Committee will review the request and forward a recommendation to the Board of Directors, which will then act on the request and recommendation. All requests will be reviewed and evaluated on merit with consideration of the following criteria:
  - Will the team the player is leaving have enough players remaining
  - Does the Coach of the team the player requested to join need or want an additional player oThe player may only be one year away from moving to the level requested. For example, a first year Squirt would not be allowed to play up at PeeWee

- Does the player's ability fit the level requested
- What is the opinion of the player's previous year coach
- Requests will be handled in the order they are received

## **PLAYER EVALUATIONS**

Player evaluations will be held during preseason. Each player will participate in a skills session, and a scrimmage scenario. Evaluations will determine team placement.

## **SECONDARY TEAMS**

A player may not be registered with more than one (1) association, or more than one (1) team in the same age classification, unless a female player is registered on one (1) youth team and one (1) girls' team at the same age level. NOTE: This will be identified as "cross-roster". (A female player who wishes to cross-roster **MUST** complete the on-line Cross-Rostering Form. Any player can, however, as long as the player meets age classification, be registered with more than one team in a different age classification within the same association. NOTE: this will be identified as "double roster".

## **DOUBLE ROSTERING**

Each year, a determination will be made on the appropriateness for a team to include players on its roster from a lower age level. In general, double rostering is done to address a critical shortage (less than 10 players and/or 1 goalie available for a game) of players and/or goalies (TYH will double roster goalies per USA Hockey and WAHA guidelines), and is not intended to give the opportunity for a player to "double-up" on ice time by routinely practicing or playing games for multiple teams. All roster decisions must be in compliance with USA Hockey and WAHA rules. TYH rules and guidelines for double rostering are as follows:

- A player may be double rostered on a team at a level immediately above their age-appropriate level. For example, a player on a Squirt team could be double rostered on a Peewee team.
- A player may not be double rostered on more than one team at any age level. For example, a player may not be rostered on an A and a B team at the same age level.
- If the need for double-rostered players is identified for a given team, the players to be included will be determined as follows:
  - The need will be brought to the Board of Directors for approval to double roster
  - The Head Coach from the team in need of double rostered players will meet with the Head Coach of the lower age level team to identify which players are eligible for double rostering. Both must agree that a particular player is an appropriate choice, keeping player safety, skill, maturity, and size as primary considerations.
  - The parents of the players will be approached by the coach for permission to double roster

## **COACHING**

Coaches are vital to the success of every team. TYH offers a service hours reduction of 100% to each head coach and 50% to each assistant coach. Assistant coaches must assist with the majority of practices and games to receive service hours. Service hours will not be available to "bench" coaches (coaches who are only available at games).

## **RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Complete and follow all requirements of USA Hockey (USA Hockey registration, SafeSport, background check, online modules for appropriate age level, and certification clinic).
- Sign the TYH Coach's Code of Conduct

Coaches are only allowed to be the Head Coach of one team at any level. If there are vacant coaching positions, the TYH Board of Directors will be in charge of finding a coach for that open position and/or could allow a coach of another team at any level to be a coach of more than one team.

## **TEAM MANAGER**

Team managers are an important part of every team. TYH offers a service hours reduction of 100% to 1 team representative per team.

The Team Manager is the machine that keeps the team running. The manager has many roles. The team manager is responsible for and must be dedicated to the overall organization and cooperation between coaches, players, parents and the Association.

### *MANAGER RESPONSIBILITIES:*

- Attend mandatory manager meetings
- Team Communications
- Team Treasurer (manage team funds)
- Team webmaster (home page, calendar updates, game updates)
- Schedule or confirm scrimmages
- Assign parents as game day volunteers
- Manage game day tasks
- Plan team social events
- Create roster cards for parents
- Manage all tournament details
- Plan seasons end Team celebration event
- Coordinate Open Skate Team Assignments

## **LOCKER ROOMS POLICY**

The locker room is a place to get ready for hockey. TYH has limited use of locker rooms and changing areas. There must be at least one coach or a screened and SafeSport trained adult in the locker room at all times, and during all team events to ensure the supervision conduct of the players. Any player entering a locker room before the coach is in the locker room is subject to disciplinary action which includes loss of locker room privileges resulting in getting dressed before entering the rink for a minimum of 30 days.

Cell phones are not allowed in the locker room. Players who take pictures in the locker room are subject to suspension. No weapons of any kind are permitted at any TYH practice, game or event or in the locker room. No horseplay in the locker rooms, hallway or any area of the rink. This includes throwing objects, fighting, pushing, wrestling, etc. Keep areas clean; pick up trash in locker rooms and other areas. Turn in lost or found items to the Coach. Do not take items that do not belong to you even with the intent of returning them to another player.

In the presence of members of the opposite sex, all undergarments need to be covered. If a player needs to change to anything less than this, it must be done where no members of the opposite sex are present (i.e. Bathroom).

It is important that the privacy rights of all of our players are given consideration and appropriate arrangements are made. If requested, TYH will make available separate locker rooms for male and female players to dress/undress and then convene in a single locker room before and after the game, practice or team meeting.



Violations of this policy will result in disciplinary actions or sanctions that include, but are not limited to verbal reprimands, written reprimands, games suspensions, season suspensions, and (in extreme cases) termination from the TYH with no refund for season fees. Recommendations on any violations will come from the Head Coach.

## **PARENTS IN THE LOCKER ROOMS**

For players in the younger age groups (L2S, Mite 6U, Mite 8U), it is necessary for parents to assist the players getting ready for practice or games. Parents should encourage and teach their players, as young as possible, to put on and take off their own gear. In circumstances where parents are permitted in the locker room, coaches may request the parents leave so that game strategy can be discussed with the players. As players get older, parent admittance to the locker room will be at the Coach's discretion.

If a player needs assistance with his or her uniform or gear, if the player is or may be injured, or a player's disability warrants assistance, then we ask that parents let the coach know beforehand that he or she will be helping the player.

## **PROHIBITED CONDUCT AND REPORTING**

TYH prohibits all types of physical abuse, sexual abuse, emotional abuse, bullying, threats, harassment and hazing, all as described in the USA Hockey SafeSport Handbook. Participants and volunteers may be subject to disciplinary action for violation of these policies or for engaging in any misconduct or abuse that violates the USA Hockey SafeSport Policies. Reports of any actual or suspected violations should be emailed to USA Hockey at [SafeSport@usahockey.com](mailto:SafeSport@usahockey.com) or reported by calling 1-800-888-4656.

## **ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY**

The Zero Tolerance Policy requires all players, coaches, on-ice and office officials, team officials and administrators and parents/spectators to maintain a sportsmanlike and educational atmosphere before, during and after all USA Hockey / WAHA sanctioned games. Details, administration, enforcement, and penalties related to this policy are found in the USA Hockey publication Official Rules of Ice Hockey. Reporting of violations is done by way of WHOA Incident Reports that are reviewed by the WAHA Disciplinary Chair.

## **PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT**

(To be reviewed and signed at the beginning of season team meetings by players and parents as a member of a TYH team, participating in USA Hockey for the current season.)

The player code of conduct has three levels:

- Personal conduct
- Unlawful and/or unacceptable conduct.
- The use of alcohol, tobacco, and controlled or illegal substances.

Each level has a first, second, and third offense with each offense carrying a stronger repercussion.

### **LEVEL ONE: PERSONAL CONDUCT**

As a TYH Hockey player, I will:

- Stay positive and show good sportsmanship.
- Respect teammates, coaches, referees, and opponents—on and off the ice.
- Avoid swearing, taunting, or using rude gestures.
- Follow team rules and listen to my coaches.
- Never argue with the referee and let the coaches handle it.
- Always go straight to the penalty box if I get a penalty.
- Show up for all the games and practices, or let my coach know if I can't make it.



A violation may result in any of the following subject to Coach and/or Board review:

- Sitting out part or all of a game (player suits up and sits on the bench).
- Written reflection on the behavior and how to improve.
- Verbal or written apology to teammates, coaches, or others affected.
- Extra team duties (e.g., helping with equipment).
- Temporary loss of leadership roles or privileges.

### **LEVEL TWO: UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOR**

I will NOT:

- Damage or misuse of equipment or facilities.
- Steal from teammates or coaches.
- Fight or act in a threatening or harassing way.

A violation of this level may result in any of the following, subject to Coach and/or Board review:

- Suspension from one or more games (player suits up and sits on the bench).
- Write a reflection and/or apology.
- Community service within the association (e.g., helping younger teams).
- Responsibility for repair/replacement costs.
- Behavior contract outlines expectations and consequences.
- Parent/Coach meeting to discuss next steps.
- Referral to the Board for further action, which may include longer suspension or removal from TYH.

### **LEVEL THREE: DRUGS, ALCOHOL, AND TABACCO**

Absolutely NO use of alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drugs. Violations of this level will result in immediate suspension and board review. Additional consequences may include:

- Suspension from one or more games or the entire season.
- Required meeting with player, parents, coach, and Board rep.
- Written reflection and behavior contract.
- No refund of membership fees.
- Possible permanent removal from TYH.
- Reinstatement (if applicable) must be approved by the Board before the next season.

TYH encourages:

- Supporting teammates by attending games.
- Learning by watching players of all ages.
- Being a positive role model on and off the ice.

### **SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT**

To ensure a safe, respectful, and fun environment for everyone:

- Show good sportsmanship—respect players, coaches, officials, and fellow fans.
- Cheer positively; avoid taunting, booing, or using offensive language or gestures.
- Keep the game safe—do not throw objects or pound on the glass.
- Trust referees and coaches; support their judgment and integrity.
- Stay alert and be responsible for your own safety.
- Respect locker rooms as private spaces.
- Win or lose, encourage effort, teamwork, and sportsmanship.

## **PARENT/GUARDIAN CODE OF CONDUCT**

(To be reviewed and signed at the beginning of season team meetings by parents as a member of a TYH team, participating in USA Hockey for the current season.)

- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches and officials at every game, practice or other youth sporting events.

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- I will not confuse players by contradicting the coach's instructions.
- I will provide support for coaches and officials working with my child to provide a positive enjoyable experience for all. If I have a grievance with a coach or official, I will wait 24 hours (cool down period) before approaching them with said grievance.
- I will remember that the game is for children and not for adults.
- I will ask my child to treat other players, coaches, fans and officials with respect regardless of race, sex, creed or ability.
- I will insist that my child skate in a safe and healthy environment.
- I promise to help my child enjoy their youth sports experience by being a respectful fan, providing transportation or whatever I am capable of doing.
- I understand that I may be removed from the facility and/or association for failing to abide by the TYH or USA Hockey Zero Tolerance policy.
- Encourage your child to play by the rules. Remember, children learn best by example, so applaud the good plays of both teams.
- Do not embarrass your child by yelling at players, coaches or officials. By showing a positive attitude toward the game and all its participants, your child will benefit.
- Emphasize skill development and practices and how they benefit your young athlete. De-emphasize games and competition in the younger age levels.
- Know and study the rules of hockey and support the officials on and off the ice. This approach will help in the development and support of the game. Any criticism of the officials only hurts the game.
- Applaud a good effort in both victory and defeat and enforce the positive points of the game. Never yell or physically abuse your child after a game or practice. It is destructive. Work toward removing physical and verbal abuse in youth sports.
- Recognize the importance of volunteer coaches. They are important to the development of your child and sport. Communicate and support them.
- If you enjoy the game, learn all you can and dedicate time as a volunteer!

### *SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT*

- Display good sportsmanship. Always respect players, coaches and officials.
- Act appropriately; do not taunt or disturb other fans. Enjoy the game together.
- Cheer good plays of all participants, avoid booing opponents.
- Cheer in a positive manner and encourage fair play; profanity and objectionable cheers or gestures are offensive.
- Help provide a safe and fun environment; throwing objects on the ice surface can cause injury to players and officials.
- Do not lean over and pound on the glass; the glass surrounding the ice surface is part of the playing area.
- Support the referees and coaches by trusting their judgment and integrity.
- Be responsible for your own safety and remain alert to help prevent accidents.
- Respect locker rooms as private areas for players, coaches and officials.
- Be supportive after the game, win or lose. Recognize good effort, teamwork and sportsmanship.

### *ENFORCEMENT*

When parents violate these rules and/or disrupt team activities, the Board of Directors will enforce the Code of Conduct according to the guidelines below.

- First Offense: Coach, Team Representative or Board member will speak with witnesses and discuss with the violator.
- Second Offense: The parent shall appear before the Board of Directors and explain his/her actions.
- Third Offense: The parents shall be suspended from all practices and games for the remainder of the season.

COACHES (To be reviewed and signed at the beginning of season coaches meeting by coaches as a member of a TYH, participating in USA Hockey for the current season.)

## **COACH CODE OF CONDUCT**

- Never verbally or physically abuse a player, official, parent, spectator or coach.
- Care more about the child than winning the game--winning is a consideration, but not the only one, nor the most important one.
- Be concerned with the overall development of your players. Stress good health habits and clean living.
- Give all players the opportunity to improve their skills, gain confidence, and develop self-esteem.
- Adjust to each player's personal needs and challenges. Be a good listener.
- Encourage all your players to be team players
- Be a positive role model to your players, display emotional maturity and be alert to the physical safety of your players.
- Be generous with your praise when deserved, be consistent, honest, fair and just.
- Never criticize players publicly.
- Maintain an open line of communication with your players and their parents.
- Reinforce the goals and objectives of TYH.
- Teach the basics, continue to study and learn the game to become a better coach and communicator.
- Know the rules, techniques, and strategies of hockey.
- Organize ADM practices that are challenging and fun for your players.
- Encourage equal playing time for all players
- Follow all USA Hockey Coaching Requirements
- Follow the Wisconsin Concussion Law and TYH guidelines.
- No cell phone use permitted on the bench unless there is an emergency situation.
- Never be under the influence of Drugs or Alcohol while coaching any game or practice.
- As a coach, you will be held accountable for your actions both on and off the ice.
- As a member of TYH, you represent our teams and association at practices/games, hotels, restaurants, etc.
- TYH expects you to conduct yourself in a sportsmanlike manner at all times and to observe the following coach's rules:
  - Respect – You are to show respect at all times for coaches, officials, players, spectators and opponents.
  - Do not argue with referees, linesman, timekeepers, scorekeepers, spectators or coaches. Disrespect will not be tolerated and will result in appearances before the Coaching Committee.
- Profanity – ZERO TOLERANCE. Use of profanity is strictly prohibited on the ice, in locker rooms, hotels, restaurants while representing TYH. The first violation of this policy will result in a verbal warning. A second violation will result in a one (1) game suspension. The TYH Board shall determine the penalty for repeated violations.

Intentionally damaging equipment and/or facilities will result in appearances before the Discipline Committee.

## **JERSEY AGREEMENT**

Coed Teams: Mites, Squirrels, Peewees, and Bantams will be issued one reversible hockey jersey or two hockey jerseys (white & blue) at the beginning of the season. These jerseys are the property of Thunderbird Youth Hockey. It is the responsibility of the athlete and their parent or guardian to maintain the jerseys, bring the jerseys to all games, and to return them at the end of the season.

Girls Team Jerseys will be purchased by the individual players and will be the player's property. It is the responsibility of the athlete and their parent or guardian to maintain the jerseys and bring the jerseys to all games.

Assigned jerseys are to be worn for all games and picture day. If the jersey is not worn at the game, the player cannot participate in the game. It is best to always bring both jerseys (where applicable) to each game. Please always wash the jerseys inside out and do not use fabric softener. Jerseys should be line dried. This will help the numbering and lettering to stay intact.

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By signing, you understand that you are responsible for paying the replacement cost for these jerseys if they are not returned. You understand that you are responsible for paying the replacement cost if the jerseys are damaged beyond normal wear and tear (as determined by the TYH Board). The replacement cost is \$200 per jersey.

A \$200 deposit check per player is due before the start of the season or at the team meeting when jerseys are handed out. Deposit checks will be shredded when jerseys are returned undamaged at the end of the season.

## TYH CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT

- [CONCUSSION AND SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST POLICY](#)
- [CONCUSSIONS: A FACT SHEET FOR PARENTS AND ATHLETES](#)
- [SCA PLAYER AND PARENT/GAURDIAN FACT SHEET](#)
- [PARENT & ATHLETE AGREEMENT FOR CONCUSSIONS< HEAD INJURY AND SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST](#)
- [PARENT & ATHLETE AGREEMENT FOR CONCUSSIONS< HEAD INJURY AND SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST FOR PLAYERS 11 YEARS OLD AND YOUNGER](#)

## AGREEMENT

I understand and acknowledge that I have read the TYH HANDBOOK in addition to all linked attached documents and agree to the terms and conditions.

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Signature

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Date