NAPERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY CLUB PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT

Overview

NHHC follows the USA Hockey Core Values related to the development of youth hockey players, which includes sportsmanship, respect for the individual, integrity and pursuit of excellence through competition, loyalty and teamwork. It is our goal to develop our players, both as athletes and as individuals. NHHC players are expected to act in a responsible, respectful, honorable and upstanding manner, both on and off the ice.

Appropriate behavior is expected at all times, including before, during or after a game, whether inside or outside the rink. It includes all ice rinks, tournaments, hotel stays, social functions or any other situation where the individual is identified as a member of NHHC.

Players are expected to follow team rules and coaching instructions as established at the beginning of the season and communicated throughout the season, whether or not they are set forth in this Code of Conduct. Coaches have the authority and are expected to administer disciplinary action for a violation of this Code of Conduct or violation of team rules as he deems appropriate and in the best interests of his team. At their discretion, the coach may also request that the Rules & Ethics liaison impose additional disciplinary actions for repeated offenses or conduct that is consistently detrimental to the team or to NHHC.

PLAYERS AGREE THAT THEY:

- 1) Will read, affirm and follow the Zero Tolerance Policy of USA Hockey and AHAI.
- 2) Will follow the 24-Hour Rule regarding complaints against coaches or teammates.
- 3) Will exemplify good sportsmanship and fair play at all times.
- 4) Will not use negative, derogatory, abusive or swearing language on the bench or directed at other players, coaches, fans, or referees.
- 5) Will not verbally or physically abuse or "bully" another person or player, or discriminate against other players in any form whatsoever, including based on race, color, religion, age, gender, national origin, socioeconomic status, or physical or mental disability.
- 6) Will read, understand, sign and strictly abide by the NHHC Alcohol and Drug Policy, and will not consume alcohol or drugs in any form or chew or smoke tobacco (including e-cigarettes) while participating in any NHHC activity or any related event or activity.
- 7) Will not engage in any form of locker room boxing, wrestling, fighting or intimidation.
- 8) Will read, understand, sign and strictly abide by the NHHC Social Media Policy.

- 9) Will maintain adequate academic performance in school or will be suspended from participation in hockey activities as outlined in the Naperville High School Hockey Academic Eligibility policy.
- 10) Will comply with the supplemental discipline policies of AHAI, the Illinois West Division High School Hockey League and NHHC if issued a penalty where supplemental discipline is considered.
- 11) Will comply with all USA Hockey and AHAI Equipment policies, including but not limited to mandatory neck and mouth guard policy.
- 12) Will be ready to take the ice 10 minutes before each scheduled practice or game and will arrive 60 minutes prior to games unless given prior clearance for late arrival by a coach or team manager.

DISCIPLINE:

AHAI may take disciplinary action for on-ice or off-ice incidents that violate the standards of conduct described above. Whether or not AHAI elects to act, the NHHC Board may take disciplinary action against any NHHC member for violation of any policy of NHHC or for behavior that the Board believes is detrimental to the goals or the reputation of NHHC. Such action may include probation, suspension from games, practices or other activities or dismissal from the organization. Additionally, Coaches shall, at their discretion, impose limited ice time up to two full periods when player conduct is violated. Discipline shall be imposed fairly, consistently and in relationship to the wrongdoing, without regard to the player's importance to his/her team. Any disciplinary action taken by the Board will be imposed and led by the Rules & Ethics liaison.

I have read this Code of Conduct and agree to comply with the word and the spirit of the Code and agree to comply with these terms.

PLAYER NAME (PRINT)

PLAYER SIGNATURE

DATE

