

BC Hockey Code of Conduct

As a BC Hockey player, coach, official, volunteer or parent of any of the previous; I, ______ shall adhere to the B.C Hockey Code of Conduct set out below. I understand that failure to adhere to this code may bring disciplinary actions.

- 1. Treat everyone fairly within the context of their activity, regardless of; race, colour, ancestry, place of original, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or age of that person or class of persons, religion, politics or economic status.
- 2. Abide by the BC Hockey Harassment and Abuse Policy (5.16)
- 3. Refrain from the public criticism of fellow members be they volunteers, athletes, coaches, or officials.
- 4. Respect the dignity of others and refrain from verbal or physical behaviours that constitute harassment or abuse.
- 5. Refrain from the use of profane, insulting, harassing or otherwise offensive language in my participation in any BC Hockey event.
- 6. Direct any comments or criticism at the performance rather than the person.
- 7. Take the initiative to learn, respect, communicate and adhere to the rules and regulations for the sport and the spirit of such rules, while encouraging other participants to do the same.
- 8. Abstain from the use of non-prescription drugs, tobacco products (or vapes) and from the drinking of alcoholic beverages in the discharging of BC Hockey duties and responsibilities.
- 9. Discourage the use of non-prescription drugs and alcoholic beverages or the use of tobacco products in conjunction with athletic events or celebrations.
- 10. At no time request, participate in or give into requests for sexual favours within any aspect of the game and immediately report such instances to the appropriate body
- 11. Communicate and cooperate with registered medical practitioners in the diagnoses, treatment and management of medical problems. Respect the concerns these medical personnel have when they are considering the future health and well-being of all participants and when making decisions regarding the ability to continue to perform or train.
- 12. Follow the annual training, competitive programs and rules of conduct as mutually agreed upon by Coaches and Athletes, while recognizing the responsibilities of the Athletes to adhere to and complete.
- 13. Participate in team training, practice and testing and satisfy all team program testing objectives.
- 14. Provide Coaches or supervisors with the results of training to enable them to monitor and assess improvement in performance.

Addendum for coaches, officials, volunteers and all other non-playing participants.

- 15. Regularly seek ways to increase my professional development and self-awareness.
- 16. In the case of minors, communicate and cooperate with the parent(s) or legal guardian(s), involving them in decisions pertaining to their child's development
- 17. Ensure that the activity being undertaken by members and participants is suitable to the age, experience, ability and fitness level of the individual and are conducted in a safe environment.
- 18. Be aware of and respect the pressures that may be placed on all participants as they strive to balance the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual aspects of their life. Conduct practices and participation in competition in a manner so as to allow success in all areas of their lives.
- 19. Consider the athletes' future health and well-being when making decisions regarding an injured player's ability to continue playing or training.

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