



## **Eastman Heat SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT**

The Ringette Spectator Code of Conduct mandates a safe, positive, and respectful environment, focusing on sportsmanship rather than winning. Spectators must respect officials, coaches, and players, avoid abusive language or behavior, and refrain from interfering with play. Failure to comply can result in removal from the arena or further disciplinary action.

### **Key Responsibilities and Behavioral Expectations**

- **Respect Officials:** Accept all decisions made by officials without questioning their honesty or judgment.
- **Positive Support:** Cheer for all athletes in a constructive manner and applaud good play from both teams.
- **No Harassment:** Refrain from using profane, insulting, abusive, or discriminatory language (racist, sexist, homophobic, transphobic) toward anyone, including opponents.
- **Respect Players:** Never ridicule or demean athletes for mistakes or performance.
- **Safety and Environment:** Keep off the playing area and adhere to all facility safety rules.
- **No Violence:** Condemn the use of violence in any form.
- **24-Hour Rule:** If a dispute arises, parents and spectators should wait 24 hours before submitting a written complaint to the team manager, avoiding immediate confrontation with coaches or officials.

Spectators are generally considered role models for athletes, and compliance with these rules ensures the game remains fun and safe for all participants.