



Victoria Vipers Ball Hockey Coaching Policy

Purpose

This policy outlines the minimum requirements and expectations for individuals coaching within the Victoria Vipers Ball Hockey program to ensure safety, quality, and professionalism.

1. Coaching Qualifications and Requirements

- **Minimum Age:**
 - *Head Coach:* 19 years or older
 - *Assistant Coach:* 12 years or older
 - **Criminal Record Check (CRC):**
 - Mandatory for all coaches aged 18 and older.
 - **Respect in Sport – Activity Leaders Program:**
 - All coaches must complete the “Respect in Sport Activity Leaders” training.
 - **Code of Conduct:**
 - All coaches must sign and adhere to the Victoria Vipers’ Code of Conduct.
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2. Coach Supervision Guidelines

- A **Head Coach** or an *approved* Adult Assistant Coach (19+) **must be present** for all practices, games, or floor times.
 - **Minor-aged Coaches (12-17):**
 - Must always be accompanied and supervised by an adult coach registered with the Victoria Vipers.
 - **Age of Minor Coach should be a minimum of 2 years older that the group they are coaching**
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3. Coaching Approval

- A coach is considered approved only when authorized by the **Head Coach of the Victoria Vipers.**
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4. Applicability

These coaching requirements apply to:

- Regular Season (April to July)
- Fall Series
- Western Challenge Cup (WCC)

5. Accountability

Any coach who fails to meet the requirements outlined in this policy may lose their eligibility to participate in team activities until all requirements are fulfilled.

Acknowledgment *(to be completed by the coach)*

I, _____, agree to comply with the Victoria Vipers Ball Hockey Coaching Policy and all associated requirements.

Coach's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Role (Head/Assistant Coach): _____