



## **HOCKEY YUKON COACH ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES**

### **For Arctic Winter Games and Canada Winter Games**

This document outlines the roles and responsibilities of coaches and team staff selected to represent Team Yukon Hockey under the direction of Hockey Yukon at the Arctic Winter Games (AWG) and Canada Winter Games (CWG).

### **General Expectations – All Coaching Staff**

All members of the coaching team (Head Coach, Assistant Coaches, Team Staff) are expected to:

- Represent Team Yukon and Hockey Yukon with professionalism, integrity, and sportsmanship,
- Complete required certifications: NCCP (Development 1 or higher), Respect in Sport, Safe Sport, Criminal Record and Vulnerable Sector checks, and any other required training or screening,
- Promote a safe, inclusive, and positive team environment on and off the ice, and
- Work collaboratively with each other and Hockey Yukon staff to support athlete development and team success.

### **Coach Responsibilities**

- Provide overall leadership and vision for Team Yukon.
- Lead team selection process in collaboration with Hockey Yukon and assistant coaches.
- Develop and implement training and development plans (on-ice, off-ice, team building).
- Assign duties to assistant coaches and ensure coordinated coaching delivery.
- Communicate regularly with Hockey Yukon regarding team progress, needs, and concerns.
- Lead communication with athletes and families, ensuring transparency and clarity.
- Serve as the primary spokesperson for the team at the Games and during events.
- Oversee team conduct and ensure adherence to rules, schedules, and curfews.
- Inappropriate conduct, failure to meet duties, or non-compliance with policies may result in removal from the team.

## Commitment & Attendance

All coaching staff are expected to (unless given prior approval from Hockey Yukon):

- **Attend all mandatory Team Yukon events** leading up to the Games, including but not limited to:
  - Evaluation and selection camps
  - Training camps and practices
  - Team-building events
  - Pre-tournament competitions or exhibitions
  - Coach planning and strategy sessions
- **Be in full attendance for the entire duration of the Games**, from departure to return, including:
  - Travel with the team to and from the host location
  - All scheduled games, practices, and team meetings
  - Opening and closing ceremonies (if required by the Games)
  - Curfew checks, meal times, and athlete supervision periods

Coaches are expected to prioritize these commitments and communicate proactively with Hockey Yukon in the case of any potential conflicts. Consistent and full participation is essential to athlete development, team cohesion, and the success of the program.