



# Morinville Minor Soccer Club

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**TITLE: Travel**

**POLICY #18**

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## 1.0 Purpose

To outline the standard of behavior that Morinville Minor Soccer Club (MMSC) expects of its teams while travelling for away games or tournaments. This policy applies to all members, and participants of MMSC, in regards to travelling outside the boundaries of MMSC. This includes travelling, the games themselves, and lodging.

## 2.0 Policy

**2.1** All travel expenses, including gas, food, and lodging, are the responsibility of each team member.

**2.2** Players must not ride in a coach's vehicle without written permission from a parent/guardian. There must also be an adult present who is the same gender of the player.

**2.3** Coaches and team staff must observe the Rule of Two Policy (# 16), as well as maintain an open and observable environment when conducting room checks or attending team meetings.

**2.4** Regardless of gender, a coach or member of team staff must not share sleeping arrangements with an MMSC player unless that coach or member of team staff is the parent/guardian, or sibling of the player in question or has permission from the parent/guardian of the player in question. There must also be an adult present who is the same gender of the player.

**2.5** Players can only share sleeping arrangements with each other if they are the same gender.

**2.6** All adult members, and participants of MMSC must take reasonable steps to manage the responsible consumption of alcoholic beverages and recreational drugs in social situations associated with MMSC events. All members, and participants must adhere to the provincial legal requirements for alcohol consumption based on their current location.

### **3.0 Travel Guidelines**

**3.1** A successful team is as much about on-field performance as off, so a professional attitude, appearance, and mature behavior are expected at all times. You are representing, your family, your team and the club when you travel, and should conduct yourself accordingly.

**3.2** Personal information, Healthcare card #, and other emergency service information must be up- to-date before the players travel.

**3.3** If no parent/guardian is traveling, players should be provided with sufficient funds for incidentals by the parent/guardian.

### **4.0 Player Protocol and Guidelines**

**4.1** Room assignments are done by Coaches and/or manager.

**4.2** Players are to be on time for all team meetings and follow team itinerary.

**4.3** All players are to remain on hotel property unless approved by the coaching staff and parents/guardians.

**4.4** Games, training, dinners, and team excursions will be pre-planned for players.

**4.5** Player functions (TBA) outside of the hotel are as a team, in conjunction with supervision.

**4.6** Use of hotel facilities (i.e. pool, fitness rooms, etc.) is to be cleared through the coaching staff.

### **5.0 Room Conduct**

**5.1** Curfews will be set by each individual team and to be respected.

**5.2** During down time/free time at the hotel; players are expected to rest or hang out in their rooms or respected common areas and not to hang out in the hallways.

**5.3** Players shall not consume alcohol, drugs or have members of the opposite sex to be allowed in the player rooms.

**5.4** No team members will be permitted to go to the room of players from another club.

**5.5** Players should be quiet and respectful of their roommates, as well as hotel guests & staff.

## **6.0 Non Compliance**

**6.1** If the conduct rules are not followed, suspension and possible removal from the team may result, depending on severity.

**6.2** If there is no parent/guardian traveling with the team, options for non-compliance could include the player being sent home (at parent's/guardian's expense) by regional transit (i.e. bus or train) with another team parent or a request for the player's parent/guardian to come and pick them up.