



SOOKE & DISTRICT MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

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Coaches Contract

Introduction

Sooke & District Minor Hockey Association (SDMHA) Coaches are the most visible face of the Association. They carry out the day-to-day operations and delivery of SDMHA hockey programs and must do so in a consistent, fair and high-quality manner. SDMHA coaches are expected deliver Association programs in alignment with all SDMHA Rules, Regulations, Polices and Decisions, despite any contrary personal opinions or beliefs.

Effective Date

April 17, 2022

Purpose

It is the intent of this Contract to promote fair play and respect for all participants within the Association. All SDMHA coaches must indicate on their coaching application that they have read, understand and agree to this Contract.

Scope

This Contract applies to all coaching staff including SDMHA Head Coaches and Assistant Coaches.

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- I will be reasonable when scheduling games and practices remembering that young athletes have other interests and obligations.
- I will teach my players to play fair and to respect the Rules, Officials, Opponents and teammates.
- I will ensure all players receive equal instruction, discipline, support and appropriate fair play time.
- I will not ridicule or yell at players for making mistakes or for performing poorly. I will remember that children play to have fun and must be encouraged to have confidence in themselves.
- I will make sure that equipment and facilities are safe and match the players' ages and ability.
- I will remember players need a coach they can respect. I will be generous with praise and set a good example by way of my behaviour, dress and deportment.
- I will obtain proper training and continue to upgrade my coaching skills and attend available clinics, as required.
- I will work in cooperation with the on ice officials and show them my respect at all times for the benefit of the game.
- I will promote the combined values of the Vancouver Island Amateur Hockey Association and the Sooke & District Minor Hockey Association: fair play, fun, excellence, good citizenship, integrity & honesty, equity and respect.
- I agree to abide by the principles of the fair play code as set by the Sooke & District Minor Hockey Association, Vancouver Island Amateur Hockey Association and supported by Hockey Canada.
- I also agree to abide by the Rules, Regulations, Polices and Decisions as set by Sooke & District Minor Hockey Association.