



## **Junior Coach Role Guidelines and Expectations**

The goal of the Junior Coach Program is to provide an opportunity and environment for WORA players to further develop their ringette experience and allow them the opportunity to give back to the Association and the community.

- Junior Coaches work closely with team coaches (parent or non/parent) to help coach a team
- Assist with drill execution and demonstration
- Junior Coaches are permitted on the bench during games
- Provide game-time feedback and encouragement to the players
- Junior Coaches are able to accumulate Community Involvement Hours for High School credit
- Junior Coaches are not able to collect the Non-Parent Bench Staff Honorarium offered by WORA

### **Expectations and Responsibilities**

#### Junior Coach

- Complete the required Junior Coach training requirements
- Attend as many team practices and games as possible
- Communicate availability and schedule to the Head Coach and Manager
- Prioritize their own team's schedule over the team they are coaching
- Offer suggestions to team coaches on teaching points during drills
- Demonstrate skills and be a role model for younger players

#### Head Coach

- Provide the opportunity for the Junior Coach to be on the bench for games
- Seek input from the Junior Coach
- Provide opportunity for Junior Coach to participate in drill demos and provide feedback to players
- Recognize that:
  - Junior Coach may have additional knowledge and skills that can be shared with the younger players
  - Junior Coach may have ideas Head Coach has not thought of
  - Junior Coach may have stronger skills/abilities than some team coaches

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