



Ennismore Girls Hockey Association EGHA COACHING CODE OF CONDUCT

The Coaching Code of Conduct was created to make the Coach's role more transparent to all. Coaches have the most important and influential role in EGHA and are valued greatly by the EGHA Executive. We thank you for your time and commitment and we are here to support you.

Coaching Code of Conduct:

- 1) I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my players ahead of a personal desire to win.
- 2) I will teach my players to play fairly and to respect the rules, officials, and opponents.
- 3) I will treat each player as an individual, remembering the large range of emotional and physical development for the same age group.
- 4) I will provide a safe playing situation for my players.
- 5) I will lead by example in demonstrating sportsmanship.
- 6) I will provide a sports environment for my team that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol.
- 7) I will be knowledgeable in the rules of the sport and I will teach these rules to my players. If I lack hockey knowledge in a particular area I will research independently or ask hockey minded people for advice.
- 8) I will be prepared and organized for all practices and games.
- 9) I will teach mutual respect between coaches and players.
- 10) I will Read and follow the EGHA Social Media and Networking Policy. This policy outlines how coaches, parents, and players should voice any concerns privately, not in public, nor on a public forum (e.g. Facebook, Twitter).
- 11) I will seek out the EGHA Coaching Director advice/guidance when an issue arises (i.e., Parent/player breaking their own Codes of Conduct) that warrants it. If a matter is serious I will communicate to the EGHA President and ask for a Conflict Resolution Meeting be set up.
- 12) It is my responsibility to communicate the expectations of behaviour to all bench staff and to model appropriate behaviour.
- 13) I understand that all bench staff behaviour falls under the responsibility of me as the head coach.
- 14) I understand that I am not able to guarantee absolute equal ice time because of how hockey is governed by referees, buzzers and situations, but I will do my best to ensure short shift lengths (Between 30 seconds and 90 seconds) whenever possible and I will give all players an opportunity to succeed, especially after mistakes. Must win playoff and tournament games are the only exception but it is understood that ranges in players ice time should not be drastic.
- 15) I will follow all of the rules, regulations and codes of conduct that are outlined by Hockey Canada, the OWHA and the LLFHL.

Position: _____

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Team: _____

Pending Acceptance May 2016