



## Ennismore Girls Hockey Association

# PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

**By the very nature of the game, hockey is physical and aggressive. When a game is as fast paced as hockey, it is sometimes inevitable that tempers will flare and poor judgment will occur. As parents, guardians and coaches it is our responsibility to encourage our daughters/players to play by the rules. We must remember that children learn best by example. When we show positive attitudes towards the game, other players, coaches, as well as referees, our children will benefit.**

As a Parent or Guardian I acknowledge the following rules that form this Code of Conduct:

- 1) Participation in the Ennismore Girls Hockey Association is not a right – it is a privilege.
- 2) Physical abuse or threatening abuse towards other parents, coaches, officials, players or members of the EGHA Executive will not be tolerated.
- 3) Foul language or other forms of verbal abuse or harassment towards other parents, coaches, officials players or members of the EGHA Executive will not be tolerated.
- 4) Respect and adhere to all ideals, policies and rules determined by Hockey Canada, OWHA and Ennismore Girls Hockey Association.
- 5) Respect the rules of the game, opponents, officials and their decisions.
- 6) Maintain self-control at all times.
- 7) Encourage my daughter to attend as many games and practices as reasonably possible in a timely manner and to notify the coach ahead of time in regards to absences.
- 8) Respect the facilities either home or away in which my daughter is privileged to play.
- 9) Remember that my daughter and I represent the Ennismore Eagles, the EGHA, the village of Ennismore as well as the township of Selwyn and are expected to act in an appropriate manner.
- 10) Show respect for the decision, judgment and authority of the officials and timekeepers. Players, coaches, and referees are all human and they may make mistakes too.
- 11) Show respect for the feeling and abilities of my daughter, my daughter's team-mates and the players on the other team.
- 12) Refrain from demonstrations of frustration and anger at all times.
- 13) Refrain from expressing opinions of coaches, players and parents from both my daughter's team and the opposing team in front of my child or anyone else's.
- 14) Wait 24 hours as a cool down period before approaching a coach or member of the team staff as well as the EGHA Executive with a concern or complaint.
- 15) 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).



## Ennismore Girls Hockey Association PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT

As a parent or guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, a participant in the EGHA, I agree to adhere to the EGHA Hockey Parent Code of Conduct as attached hereto as Page 1.

I fully understand that violation of any provisions of this Code of Conduct by any parent, guardian, or relative of a participant or coach may result in an immediate suspension from attending EGHA Hockey events and/or arenas for the remainder of the current and subsequent seasons by the offending individual. In severe cases, this suspension or expulsion may include family (including player) suspension or expulsion from EGHA Hockey events and or arenas for the remainder of the current and subsequent seasons.

**The following are guidelines for progressive disciplinary action that could (all incidents are handled uniquely) occur for a violation(s) of the Parent Code of Conduct:**

- 1st Offence - Not permitted in the rink cold part for the duration of the game.
- 2nd Offence - Ejection from the arena for the remainder of the season and OWHA notification.
- 3rd Offence - Ejection of the offender and their daughter from the EGHA HOCKEY for the remainder of the season and subsequent seasons and OWHA notification.

In the event of an alleged violation of this Code of Conduct, the President, VP, OWHA Rep and Coaching Director will be notified immediately and a Conflict Resolution Committee hearing will be held as soon as possible with at least three members of the Executive and they shall adjudicate the alleged violation in any manner deemed required after hearing from all involved parties. I further agree that the decision of the Committee is final at the EGHA Hockey level. This agreement applies to all EGHA HOCKEY affiliated events and teams.

An EGHA consequence is completely separate from a possible OWHA consequence.

I understand failure to sign this PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT will result in my daughter not being able to play EGHA HOCKEY.

**I, \_\_\_\_\_ acknowledge having read this agreement and irrevocably agree to be bound by it for the duration of the 2016/17 season. This agreement applies to all EGHA HOCKEY affiliated events and teams.**

**Parent Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dated:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Approved May 2016**