

COALDALE MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION CODE OF CONDUCT

These guidelines are applicable to players, coaches and parents.

1. You are representing Coaldale Minor Hockey Association (CMHA) at all times and should conduct yourself in a manner of which you and the association will be proud. Expectations exist for everyone associated with CMHA and their conduct and contributions make for a better team and a better organization.
2. There is to be no swearing in the stands or public areas during games and practice.
3. Coaches and their staff must remember that they set an example for their players. They must behave in an appropriate manner whenever they are functioning in their role.
4. Parents should remember that we are developing players, coaches and referees. Your behaviour and conduct should be positive and encouraging of everyone involved in the game.
5. Team members will not smoke, chew tobacco or drink alcohol during league, tournament or Hockey Alberta sanctioned events. This applies to afterhours during tournaments and overnight trips.
6. Hazing is strictly forbidden and subject to Hockey Canada regulations.
 - a. *“Any player, team official, executive member or a team, club or association having been party to or having had knowledge of, any hazing or initiation rite shall be automatically suspended for a period of not less than one year from playing or holding office with any team, club, or association affiliated with Hockey Canada.”*
7. Coaches and players are responsible for the state of dressing rooms, both home and away, during and after games and practices. Dressing rooms should be locked while players are on the ice. Damages to facilities that are caused by members of a team will be the legal and financial responsibility of the player and/or team.
8. Any disputes must be handled with respect and common sense. Matters should be referred to and handled by the liaison for each team – typically this is the manager of the team. Coaldale Minor Hockey Association subscribes to the 24 hour rule in dealing with matters: the parent should wait 24 hours after an incident to contact the team liaison. Where matters are deemed to be serious and potentially dangerous to a players or the team, the concerned party is to contact the manager or a member of the Board immediately. The general order of contact for disputes is – team liaison, governor, president or other member of the CMHA board.
9. CMHA is about player development. All players and lines will be used in all game situations. Coaches have discretion on the use of players and lines as established with the team and parents at the beginning of the season. It is strongly suggested that these guidelines be written down and given to players and parents at the beginning of the season.
10. The Board will deal with any conduct issues on an individual basis, following the Code of Conduct, CMHA policies and guidelines, Hockey Alberta policies and guidelines and Hockey Canada policies and guidelines. More serious matters will be referred to Hockey Alberta.

I have read the above guidelines and agree and consent to their application during the 2009/10 hockey season:

Players Signature

Coach Signature

Parent/Guardian

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