

## **TNC Hockey League Codes of Conduct September 2011**

### **Official**

- I will place the safety of and welfare of players above all else.
- I will show concern and caution towards sick and injured players.
- I will give all players a “fair go” regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- I will be impartial, consistent, objective and courteous when making decisions.
- I will accept responsibility for my actions and decisions.
- I will condemn unsporting behaviour and promote respect for the individuality of players.
- I will avoid any situations which may lead to or be construed as a conflict of interest.
- I will be a positive role model in behaviour and personal appearance and ensure my comments are positive and supportive.
- I will be a good sport as I understand that actions speak louder than words.
- I will always respect, remain loyal to and support other officials.
- I will keep up to date with the latest “Laws of the Game” trends and principles of their application.
- I understand that any form of personal abuse towards players, coaches, or other officials will not be tolerated.
- I understand that any form of sexual harassment towards players or others will not be tolerated.
- I understand that arriving at the venue intoxicated or drinking alcohol at league games will not be tolerated.
- I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the game, regardless of their gender, ability, religion, or cultural background.

### **Coach/Trainer**

- I will remember that players participate for enjoyment and winning is only part of the fun.
- I will never ridicule or yell at players for making a mistake or not winning.
- I will be reasonable in my demands on players’ time, energy and enthusiasm.
- I will operate within the rules and spirit of the game and teach my players to do the same.
- I will ensure that the time players spend with me is a positive experience. All players are deserving of equal attention and opportunities.
- I will avoid overplaying the talented players and understand that the average players need and deserve time and opportunities.
- I am committed to helping the players on other teams as well as my own team to enjoy the games and build their skills.
- I will not use bad language nor will I harass players, officials, spectators or other coaches.
- I will display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with the sport including opponents, referees, coaches, officials, administrators, the media, parents, and spectators. I will encourage my players to do the same.
- I will show concern and caution toward sick and injured players and follow the advice of a physician when determining whether an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition.
- I will obtain required qualifications and keep up to date with the latest coaching practices and the principles of growth and development of young players.
- I understand that any form of personal abuse towards players, coaches, officials, or others will not be tolerated.
- I understand that any form of sexual harassment towards players or others will not be tolerated.
- I understand that arriving at the venue intoxicated or drinking alcohol at league games will not be tolerated.
- I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the game, regardless of their gender, ability, religion, or cultural background.

## **Parent**

- I will encourage my child to play within the rules and respect officials' and coaches' decisions – no matter what.
- I will teach my child to respect the efforts of their opponents.
- I will remember that children learn best by example so I will applaud good plays/performances by both my child's team and their opponents.
- I will give positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort.
- I will focus on my child's efforts and performance – not the score.
- I will thank the coaches, officials and other volunteers who give their time to conduct the event for my child.
- I will help when asked by a coach or official.
- I will not use bad language nor will I harass players, coaches, officials, league management, or other spectators.
- I understand that any form of personal abuse towards players, coaches, officials, or others will not be tolerated.
- I understand that any form of sexual harassment towards players or others will not be tolerated.
- I understand that arriving at the venue intoxicated or drinking alcohol at league games will not be tolerated.
- I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the game, regardless of their gender, ability, religion, or cultural background.
- I understand that my child's regular on time attendance at games and practices is important for the team's success and for his/her skills development

## **Player**

- I will always play by the rules.
- I will never argue with an official. If I disagree with a decision I will inform the captain or coach or league representative during a break or after the competition.
- I will control my temper. I understand that verbal abuse of officials and sledging other players and deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviours in any sport.
- I will work equally hard for myself and/or my team.
- I will be a good sport and applaud all good plays whether they are made by my team or the opposition.
- I will treat all players in my sport as I like to be treated. I will not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor.
- I will cooperate with my coach, team mates and opponents.
- I will arrive on time and recognize that there could be consequences for late arrival and for not abiding by this Code of Conduct.
- I will display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
- I will participate for my own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please parents and coaches.
- I understand that any form of personal abuse towards players, coaches, officials, or others will not be tolerated.
- I understand that any form of sexual harassment towards players or others will not be tolerated.
- I will thank the opposition and officials at the end of the game.
- I will respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the game, regardless of their gender, ability, religion, or cultural background.
- I understand that my regular on time attendance at games and practices is important for the team's success and for my development.