

# SFMHA Code of Conduct

*(applicable to all immediate and extended family)*



The Smiths Falls Minor Hockey Association (SFMHA) Executive Board identifies the standard of behaviour for all SFMHA members and participants including all players, parents, coaches, volunteers, executive board members, officials, team managers, trainers and administrators involved in any and all of SFMHA hockey activities and events. By signing this Code of Conduct, SFMHA members and their immediate and extended families agree to:

- Engage in an environment in which all individuals are treated with courtesy and respect. Members and participants of the SFMHA shall conduct themselves at all times in a manner consistent with the values of the SFMHA which includes fairness, integrity and mutual respect.
- Adhere to the SFMHA constitution, bylaws, policies and procedures, rules and regulations governing all SFMHA hockey activities and events as well as rules and regulations governing any competitions in which any member of the SFMHA participates.
- Not engage in any activity or behaviour which interferes with a competition or with any player of a team(s) preparing for a competition, or which endangers the safety of others, this includes opposing team and their members (e.g., parents, players and officials).
- Be respectful, at all times, of all other members and shall not engage in conduct that criticizes or ridicules other members and/or members of other Associations (e.g., opposing teams parents, players and officials).
- Refrain from comments or behaviours whether it is written, verbal or electronic (social media) which are disrespectful, offensive, abusive, racist or sexist. In particular, behaviour which constitutes harassment or abuse will not be tolerated.
- Acknowledge that SFMHA executive board members are non-paid volunteers and are here to support and develop our hockey program to better improve the game for all of its members. I will be supportive of all executive members and will not verbally abuse, insult, threaten or intimidate. **The option is always open to me to become a member of the executive board.**

Failure to comply with this Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action as outlined in SFMHA's Discipline Policy. Such action may result in the member losing all privileges which comes with membership in the SFMHA and all governing Associations, including the opportunity to participate in SFMHA activities and events both present and future. This would include the forfeiture of any membership fees. The SFMHA appreciates the gesture of members apologizing for misconduct under this Code of Conduct however apologies will not lessen the penalties for any breaches under the Code of Conduct.

If I cannot fully adhere to the above, I acknowledge and fully accept that I may be asked by team officials or a person in authority to vacate the rink.

**I certify that I have read, understand and will comply with the information above.**

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Player Name

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Parent (Guardian) Name

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Parent (Guardian) Name

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Parent (Guardian) Signature

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Parent (Guardian) Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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