



2020-21 PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

The Calgary Northstars Hockey Association (the "CNHA") wants to be regarded as the premier hockey association in Calgary, Canada, and internationally. To do so, the CNHA must instill:

- **Love for the Game**
- **Great Sportsmanship**
- **Hard Work**
- **Integrity**
- **Respect for Others**
- **Professionalism**

As a CNHA Parent, you must understand that an environment of encouragement and praise is integral to the success of our hockey players and teams. Effort is most productive in a positive environment, and we need your help to create such an environment for both coaches and players. It is this positive environment that will enable our players and teams to reach their potential. The CNHA has developed this Code of Conduct to aid you in this endeavor, and to help you demonstrate a level of behavior that will encourage all CNHA athletes to become well-rounded, confident and productive members of the hockey community, and society in general.

As a parent of a player representing the CNHA, I understand that my role is critical to the success of my child and my child's team and I hereby agree that:

QUALIFICATIONS

1. I will read and familiarize myself with the Hockey Calgary Regulations Handbook and the CNHA Handbook, and will follow all the rules and regulations set out therein.
2. I will obtain my Respect in Sport Parent Edition in accordance with the Hockey Calgary Regulations Handbook.

HOCKEY CANADA FAIR PLAY CODE

3. I will not force my child to participate in hockey.
4. I will remember that my child plays hockey for his or her own enjoyment, not mine.
5. I will encourage my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
6. I will teach my child that doing one's best is as important as winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game.
7. I will make my child feel like a winner by offering praise for competing fairly and trying hard.
8. I will never ridicule or yell at my child for making a mistake or losing a competition.
9. I will remember that children learn by example. I will applaud good plays by my child and his or her opponents.
10. I will never question the official's judgement or honesty in public.
11. I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from children's hockey activities.
12. I will respect and appreciate the coaches who give their time to provide hockey experiences for my child.

BEING A TEAM PLAYER

13. I will volunteer to carry out equally my share of the duties necessary to operate my child's team.
14. I will, and will encourage my child to, be committed and accountable to all team objectives and rules.
15. I will treat all CNHA participants equally, so that all participants have an equal opportunity to work and learn.
16. I will focus on what I can do for my child's team and the CNHA rather than focusing on what they can do for me.
17. I understand that my child may not participate with another ice hockey team during the season without prior written approval of the CNHA.
18. I will always wait 24 hours before approaching the Team Manager with any issue or concern.

ACTING PROFESSIONALLY

19. I will always respect all participants including my child, my child's teammates, parents, Coaches, Team Managers, opponents, game officials and spectators.
20. I understand that I am directly or indirectly representing the CNHA at all hockey related events and that I will always act in a professional and courteous manner.
21. I will never harass, slander or degrade the CNHA or those who participate in the CNHA hockey program.



- 22. I will refrain from the use of all illegal drugs at all times, whether as a CNHA representative or a spectator.
- 23. I will refrain from the use of alcohol when attending a CNHA game, practice or function as a formal representative of the CNHA (this includes, but is not limited to being the Coach, Assistant Coach, Manager, Timekeeper, Scorekeeper or Dressing Room Supervisor).

CARING FOR ALL EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES

- 24. I will ensure my child respects all facilities used by the CNHA, including rinks, training centres, hotels and buses.
- 25. I will encourage and promote the proper care and maintenance of player equipment and apparel.

SOCIAL MEDIA

- 26. I will be respectful in disseminating information, including exercising good judgment before communicating, using Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, MySpace, YouTube, LinkedIn, SnapChat, chat rooms, message boards, group text messages, etc., materials or statements about CNHA or its opponents which;
 - a) could be considered defamatory, vulgar, obscene, racially, culturally or ethnically offensive, harmful, harassing, inflammatory, intimidating, threatening, hateful, objectionable, discriminatory or abusive;
 - b) could violate any laws, rules or regulations; or
 - c) could incite violence or hostility. (This is especially important on public message boards or chat rooms where even a positive comment about CNHA players, coaches or the organization could be seen as inflammatory.)
- 27. I will protect all confidential and proprietary CNHA and player information and will not disclose any such information through social media or otherwise.
- 28. I will not use any CNHA logos, trademarks, or images in a negative manner on personal social media sites.
- 29. I will not represent my personal views as those of the CNHA or its related organizations.
- 30. I will not engage in cyber bullying or other forms of electronic harassment.

DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Any failure to comply with these standards may result in disciplinary action, including but not limited to:

- 1. A verbal warning;
- 2. A written warning;
- 3. Suspension or immediate ejection from a game, practice or team function;
- 4. Suspension from multiple games, practices or team functions; or
- 5. Suspension or expulsion from a season or seasons.

Disciplinary actions shall be at the discretion of the General Manager, the Policy & Discipline Committee, or our Board of Directors. All CNHA officials hereby reserve the right to bypass any or all of the foregoing steps.

I hereby acknowledge having read and agree to the foregoing.

NAME _____ DATE _____

SIGNATURE _____

TEAM _____