



# SCMHA Code of Conduct Agreement

The Shelburne County Minor Hockey Association (SCMHA) is committed to fostering a positive and enjoyable hockey experience for all participants. Our goal is to provide meaningful opportunities in a safe and sportsmanlike environment.

To ensure this, SCMHA has established a **Code of Conduct** that all team officials, players, and parents/guardians are expected to uphold. This Code is designed to maintain a fun and respectful atmosphere at all SCMHA events. Violations may result in disciplinary action, so we encourage everyone to familiarize themselves with the expectations and potential consequences as outlined in the SCMHA Operating Policies.

The **SCMHA Code of Conduct** emphasizes respect:

- Respect the game
- Respect the rules
- Respect your opponents
- Respect coaches, officials, parents, executives, players, arena staff, and volunteers
- Respect the facilities
- Maintain self-control at all times

All members of SCMHA are expected to conduct themselves in a fair and responsible manner during all activities and events. Disrespectful, offensive, abusive, racist, or sexist behavior will not be tolerated. Harassment or abuse, as defined by Canadian Hockey governing bodies, is strictly prohibited.

## Player Code of Conduct

As a player, I will:

- Respect and adhere to the rules and policies set by Hockey Canada, Hockey Nova Scotia, SCMHA, and my team.
- Maintain self-control and exhibit sportsmanship at all times.
- Attend as many games and practices as possible, and notify the coach/manager of any absences in advance.
- Respect the facilities, both home and away.
- Refrain from using foul language or engaging in disrespectful behavior.
- Accept the abilities of all players and handle defeat gracefully.
- Play for fun and to improve my skills, while showing respect for coaches, teammates, officials, and opponents.

## **Parent Code of Conduct**

As a parent, I will:

- Support my child with positive encouragement and adhere to the rules and policies of Hockey Canada, Hockey Nova Scotia, SCMHA, and my child's team.
- Maintain self-control and exhibit sportsmanship at all times.
- Encourage my child to attend games and practices and notify the coach/manager of absences in advance.
- Show respect for officials, timekeepers, coaches, and other players.
- Avoid coaching from the stands or expressing negative opinions about coaches or players in front of my child.
- Support efforts to eliminate verbal and physical abuse from the game.
- Recognize and appreciate the contributions of volunteers.

## **Team Official/Volunteer Code of Conduct**

As a team official or volunteer, I will:

- Lead by example, adhering to the rules and policies of Hockey Canada, Hockey Nova Scotia, SCMHA, and my team.
- Act professionally and represent my community positively.
- Be responsible for my behavior and that of my team.
- Maintain self-control and exhibit sportsmanship at all times.
- Show respect for all players, parents, officials, and facilities.
- Refrain from using foul language or engaging in disrespectful behavior.
- Accept the capabilities of all players and handle defeat with grace.

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Signature

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Date