

PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Elliot Lake Minor Hockey recognizes the need to support our volunteers and set a minimum level of expectations for the parents of the players involved in our system. The code of conduct is intended to establish a policy that will return a level of mutual respect to the game. The full code of conduct can be found on the Elliot Lake Minor Hockey web site. The document we are asking you to sign represents the essential excerpts from that document. Every parent, player and coach will be asked to sign and return this prior October 1 of the current season. Failure to abide by the code of conduct will result in a warning. Repeated breach of the code may result in suspension from team events up to and including expulsion from Elliot Lake Minor Hockey.

1. Enjoy your child's participation in sport.
2. Respect your child's "identity" and let them live their own successes.
3. Ask your child about "highlights" rather than performance.
4. Encourage your child to participate, work hard and listen to coaches.
5. Do not pressure your child beyond his capabilities instead promote that doing your best is as important as winning.
6. Support the coaches and communicate any concerns directly and professionally.
7. Be involved for the good of the team.
8. Be respectful of the referees, other parents and spectators at the rink.
9. Ensure your son/daughter has the required and properly fitted equipment.
10. Never abuse a player or coach physically or verbally.
11. Never discipline you son/daughter in the presence of the team.
12. Never ridicule or yell at your child for making a mistake or losing a game.
13. Be a full time spectator with positive cheers only in victory and defeat.
14. Do not "coach" or shout directions from the stands.
15. Do not use profanity.
16. Show appreciation for the volunteer coaches who give their time to coach hockey for your child.

Parents shall not approach the coaches before, during or after games or practices for a period of twenty-four (24) hours to discuss issues about their child.

Congratulations and other general remarks are appropriate but **DO NOT** discuss negative issues when emotions are high.

The coaching staff endorses the "Code of Conduct" and encourages all parents to utilize the proper procedures when dealing with sensitive issues. All parents, coaches and players are expected to communicate in a positive professional manner.

Name (please print)

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Dated this _____ day of _____ for the _____ hockey season