



Player Code of Conduct 2016/17

When I register as a player, not only am I signing to agree my membership of the Sheffield Ice Hockey Academy, but I am also signing to say that I understand, and will to the best of my ability, adhere to this code of conduct.

- I will participate because I want to and for the fun of it, not just because my parents or coach want me to.
- I will co-operate with and respect my coach, officials and team mates and opponents, because without them there would not be a game for me to participate in.
- I will play to the rules of the game. I will accept success and failure, victory and defeat, equally.
- I will wear full kit at all times when on the ice, and ensure I always have a water bottle with me.
- I will resist any temptation to take banned substances or use banned techniques, including caffeine based drinks.
- I will always try to control my temper - both my team and I will benefit. I understand that competition is stressful and can provoke powerful emotions but fighting and "mouthing off" spoils the game for everyone. I will not use inappropriate language.
- I will participate in my teams warm ups before games and training sessions as directed by my teams head coach. I will ensure that I bring with me suitable clothes and footwear to enable me to do these.
- I will be a team player and encourage others to work together; if I work hard my team will benefit. I will set a positive example for others, particularly younger players and supporters.
- I will wear the correct attire for both home and away games, these being black bottoms, with a club polo and club hoodie for away games and white shirt, club tie, dark trousers and smart shoes for home games (under 10s to wear club polo instead of shirt and tie).
- I will remember that my coaches and other officials are there to help me. I understand that while they can and will make mistakes from time to time, I must still respect their decisions. I understand and accept that if my conduct/attitude is deemed unacceptable, there will be disciplinary actions taken.
- I will let my coach and captain ask any necessary questions to officials.
- I will remember that while it is great to win, it should be fun to play at all times.
- I will thank my coach, the officials and my parents/supporters for their time and support.
- I will respect the facilities and the property of others.
- I will behave appropriately in the changing rooms and arena (both home and away), leaving nothing on the floor (including clothes, tape, bottles and other litter).
- I will not post negative comments, or enter into such discussions with others, on social media regarding the club, players, members, or associates.

- I will apply this code of conduct when I visit other clubs, and understand not doing so could result in me being banned from that club's rink.

Ice hockey is a fast and often aggressive sport but there is a big difference between playing and training competitively, and the intimidation and abuse of others. Sheffield Ice Hockey Academy has a policy of ZERO TOLERANCE towards verbal and physical abuse. Any individual found to be involved in the verbal or physical abuse of another club member, official or visitor may, at the discretion of the disciplinary committee, be suspended or barred from the academy or rink.

Signature _____

Date _____

Name (Printed) _____

Team _____