



Whitley Bay Ice Hockey Club

Junior Development

Player's Code of Conduct

When I register as a player, not only am I signing to agree my membership of the WBIHCJD, 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, match officials, 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 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 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 remember that my Coaches and other officials are volunteers and 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 will let my Coach and Captain ask any necessary questions to match 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 ice rink including travel to/from the venues (both home and away).
- I will accept consequences, as deemed appropriate, from my coach as a result of any poor behaviour on or off the ice, which may be a warning, eg 2 laps, sit out 2 minutes, sit out 5 minutes, miss rest of session/game, miss next session/game etc. More serious breaches of discipline or persistent bad behaviour could result in expulsion from the Club.

Ice Hockey is a fast and often physical sport but there is a big difference between playing and training competitively, and the intimidation and abuse of others. WBIHCJD 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 may, at the discretion of the Disciplinary Committee, be suspended or excluded from the Club.