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## **FAIR PLAY PLEDGES**

It is the intention of this pledge to promote fair play and respect for all participants within the Edmonton Minor Hockey Association. All coaches, players, and parents must sign this pledge before being allowed to participate in hockey in the Edmonton Minor Hockey system and must continue to observe the principles of Fair Play.

### **COACHES FAIR PLAY CODE**

1. I will be reasonable when scheduling games and practices remembering that young athletes have other interests and obligations.
2. I will teach my athletes to play fairly and to respect the rules, officials, opponents and teammates.
3. I will ensure *all* athletes receive equal instruction, support and appropriate, fair playing time.
4. I will not ridicule or yell at my athletes for making mistakes or for performing poorly. I will remember that children play to have fun and must be encouraged to have confidence in themselves.
5. I will make sure that equipment and facilities are safe and match the athlete's ages and ability.
6. I will remember that children need a coach they can respect. I will be generous with praise and set a good example.
7. I will obtain proper training and continue to upgrade my coaching skills.

### **PLAYERS FAIR PLAY PLEDGE**

1. I will play hockey because I want to, not because others or coaches want me to.
2. I will play by the rules of hockey and in the spirit of the Game.
3. I will control my temper - fighting or "mouthing-off" can spoil the activity of everyone.
4. I will respect my opponents.
5. I will do my best to be a true team player.
6. I will remember that winning isn't everything - that having fun, improving skills, making friends and doing my best are also important.
7. I will acknowledge all good plays and performances - those of my team and my opponents.
8. I will remember that coaches and officials are there to help me. I will accept their decisions and show them respect.

### **PARENTS FAIR PLAY PLEDGE**

1. I will not force my child to participate in hockey.
2. I will remember that my child plays hockey for his or her enjoyment, not mine.
3. I will encourage my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflict without resorting to hostility or violence.
4. 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 the game.
5. I will make my child feel like a winner every time by offering praise for competing fairly and hard.
6. I will never ridicule or yell at my child for making a mistake or losing a game.
7. I will remember that children learn by example. I will applaud good plays and performances by both my child's team and their opponents.
8. I will never question the official's judgement or honesty in public.
9. I will support to remove verbal and physical abuse from children's hockey games.
10. I will respect and show appreciation for the volunteers who give their time to hockey for my child.

I agree to abide by the principles of the FAIR PLAY CODE as set by the Canadian Hockey Association and supported by the Edmonton Minor Hockey Association.

I also agree to abide by the rules, regulations and decisions as set for the Edmonton Minor Hockey Association.

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Team Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### SIGNATURES

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**Form must be completed prior to first league game and submitted to the District Registrar along with the Team Registration Sheet.**