



PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

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When a game is as physical and fast-paced as hockey, it is inevitable that tempers will occasionally rise, and poor judgment may occur. As Parents, Guardians and Coaches, it is our responsibility to encourage our youth to respect the game, the rules, and those involved. We must remember that children learn best by example. When we show positive attitudes towards the game, other players, coaches, and referees, our children will benefit.

As a Parent or Guardian, I acknowledge the following:

1. Participation in the Peterborough Hockey Association is a privilege; not a right;
2. Respect and adhere to all ideals, policies and rules/regulations determined by Hockey Canada, OMHA and Peterborough Hockey Association;
3. The 24-Hour Rule applies. Wait 24 hours as a cool down period before approaching a coach or member of the team staff, or the PHA Executive with a concern or complaint;
4. Physical abuse or threats of physical abuse towards other parents, coaches, officials, players or members of the PHA Executive will **NOT** be tolerated;
5. Foul language or other forms of verbal abuse or harassment towards other parents, coaches, officials, players (including your own), or members of the PHA Executive will not be tolerated;
6. Respect the rules of the game, opponents (players, parents and coaches), officials and their decisions;
7. Maintain self-control at **ALL** times;
8. Ensure that you are attending as many games/practices as possible. If your child(ren) is going to be late or absent, please notify the Head Coach and/ or Team Manager as soon as possible;
9. Respect the facilities including, but not limited to Home/ Away Arenas, Hotels etc;
10. Remember that you and your child(ren) represent the Peterborough Petes, PHA and The City of Peterborough;
11. Players, coaches, referees, and timekeepers are all human, and make mistakes. Show respect for the decision, judgment and authority of these individuals at all times;
12. Show respect for the feelings and abilities of your child, their teammates, and players on the other team;
13. Refrain from excessive demonstrations of frustration and anger;
14. Refrain from expressing opinions of coaches, players and/ or parents from both your child's team and the opposing team, especially in front of your child;
15. Read and follow the PHA Social Media Policy. This policy outlines how parents should voice any concerns privately, not in public, and not in a public forum (e.g. Facebook, Twitter).



PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT - AGREEMENT

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This agreement applies to all Peterborough Hockey Association (PHA) HOCKEY affiliated events and teams.

As a parent/ guardian of _____, a participant in the PHA, I agree to adhere to the PHA Parent Code of Conduct.

I fully understand that violation of any provisions of this Code of Conduct by any Parent, Guardian, or relative of a participant or coaching staff, may result in an immediate suspension or expulsion from attending PHA events and/or arenas. In severe cases, the suspension or expulsion may also include family suspension(s) (including player). Suspensions may range from one (1) day to permanent expulsion.

The following are guidelines, for the disciplinary action that may occur for a violation of the Code of Conduct:

- 1st Offence** – In-person hearing with Coach and PHA Board Members (minimum of 3);
- 2nd Offence** – suspension from cold area of the rink for a set number of games as determined by PHA;
- 3rd Offence** – suspension for the remainder of the season;
 - possible suspension of the player connected to the adult in question;
 - notification to OMHA of action of the person in question and PHA’s disciplinary response.

In the event of an alleged violation of this Code of Conduct, the President, VP, and Rep Director/HL Director, will be notified immediately and a hearing will be held as soon as possible with at least three (3) members of the Executive. The participating Executives shall assess the alleged violation, and determine next steps. Next steps may include further investigation or an outcome. The decision of the PHA Executive shall be considered final unless directed otherwise by Ontario Minor Hockey Association.

I affirm that they have read this agreement or had this agreement read to me, and understand this agreement.

_____	_____	_____
Name	Signature	Date
_____	_____	_____
Witness	Signature	Date
_____	_____	_____
Coach	Signature	Date