

## **PSMHA Code of Conduct**

### **Players**

I will play hockey because I want to, not because my parents, friends, siblings, coaches, or others want me to.

I will play by the rules of the league and in the spirit of the game.

I will control my temper - fighting or mouthing off can spoil the fun for everyone.

I will respect my opponents.

I will do my best to be a true team player. I will support my teammates, attend games and practices, and arrive on time.

I will remember that winning isn't everything that having fun, improving my skills, making friends, and doing my best are most important.

I will acknowledge all good plays/performance those of my team and those of my opponents.

I will remember that coaches and officials are there to help me. I will accept their decisions and show them respect.

**"I have read, understood and agree to the above conditions"**

**Player Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Parents**

I will not force my child to participate in hockey and remember that my child plays hockey for his/her own enjoyment, not mine.

I will remember that the league is a community-based league operated by volunteers for the benefit of the children of our community.

I will respect the democratic process of the league.

I will encourage my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.

I will teach my child that doing ones best is more important than winning, so that he/she will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game.

I will never ridicule or yell at my child for making a mistake or losing a game.

I will remember that children learn best by example. I will applaud good plays/performance by both my child's team and their opponents.

I will never question the official's judgment or honesty in public. If I disagree with a referee's call, I will not approach the referee after a game, but discuss it with a league executive after the 24 hour cool down period.

I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from children's hockey games.

I will respect and show appreciation for the volunteer coaches, scorekeepers, referees and other League officials.

I will set an example by supporting my child's coaching staff. When issues arise, I will communicate with them after a 24 hour cool down period;

on an individual basis through the teams parent rep. Public comments are not appropriate and will not be tolerated.

### **Spectators**

I will remember that players participate in hockey for their enjoyment. They are not playing to entertain me.

I will not have unrealistic expectations. I will remember that players are not professionals and cannot be judged by professional standards.

I will respect the official's decisions and encourage others to do the same.

I will never ridicule a player for making a mistake. I will give positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort.

I will show respect for my team's opponents, because without them, there would be no game.

I will not use bad language, nor will I harass players, coaches, officials, or other spectators

### **Coaches and All League Officials**

I will be responsible in scheduling games and practices, remembering that players and parents have other interests and obligations.

I will teach my players to play fairly and respect the rules, officials, and opponents.

I will ensure that all players get equal instruction, support, and playing time.

I will not ridicule or yell at players for performing poorly. I will remember that players play to have fun and must be encouraged to have confidence in themselves.

I will make sure that the player's equipment and the league facilities are safe and match the players ages and abilities.

I will remember that players need a coach they can respect. I will be generous with praise and set a good example.

I will obtain proper training and continue to upgrade my coaching skills.

I will work in cooperation with league executives for the benefit of Port Stanley Minor Hockey and its members.

**"I have read, understood and agree to the above conditions"**

**Parent Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_