

PLAYER'S CODE OF CONDUCT

The basic goals for all players are to develop character through sportsmanship and teamwork, as well as to develop the basics of hockey, and a working knowledge of the rules while enjoying the game and the competitive spirit. In fulfilling these goals the player must abide by a code of conduct set forth by the PHA. Any official grievances regarding violations of this code of conduct should be submitted in writing to the PHA board.

I. DISRESPECT

No disrespect whatsoever, towards either a coach or a designated representative in the coach's absence, will be tolerated. Such action will result in benching for the remainder of the game or the entire game or tournament, at the coach's discretion. All players are to be considerate of and are to respect all team members' feelings. All players are to be considerate and courteous to all out of town teams, tournament officials, hotel/motel employees, game officials, parents and anyone else with whom they come in contact.

At the coach's discretion, incident reports will be filed if disrespect is shown in any form to anyone.

After 3 incident reports are filed the following steps will be initiated:

STEP 1: First Offense: Suspended from all hockey club activities including practices for seven calendar days.

STEP 2: Second Offense: Suspended from all hockey club activities including practices for fourteen calendar days.

STEP 3: Third Offense: Suspended from all hockey club activities including practices for the remainder of the season.

II. FIGHTING, PROFANE OR ABUSIVE LANGUAGE, OBSCENE GESTURES

During the hockey season players while on or off the ice but participating in a hockey club activity (including out of town games) shall not fight, use profane or abusive language, make obscene gestures, spit or perform other despicable and obnoxious actions.

At the coach's discretion incident reports will be filed if any of the above action occurs in any form. After 3 incident reports are filed the following steps will be initiated:

STEP 1: First Offense: Suspended from all hockey club activities including practices for seven calendar days.

STEP 2: Second Offense: Suspended from all hockey club activities including practices for fourteen calendar days.

STEP 3: Third Offense: Suspended from all hockey club activities including practices for the remainder of the season.

III. ON ICE GAME CONDUCT/MISCONDUCT

Repeated major penalties and unsportsmanlike conduct penalties will not be tolerated, and players will be dealt with in the following manner:

STEP 1: First game misconduct: An incident report will be filed by the attending coach and the player will see whatever penalty he is given by the referee at the time of the penalty.

STEP 2: Second game misconduct: Requested to appear before the PHA board for a disciplinary hearing and be subject to a suspension.

STEP 3: Third game misconduct: Suspended from all hockey club activities including practices for the remainder of the season.

Incidents are not mandatory before action can be taken since misconducts are recorded on the score sheets.

IV. TOBACCO PRODUCTS

During the hockey season players shall not use any form of tobacco products within any ice facility or immediate area while participating in games, practices, or other scheduled hockey club activities. The following steps will be taken if these tobacco rules are broken:

STEP 1: First Offense: Suspended from all hockey club activities including practices for fourteen calendar days.

STEP 2: Second Offense: Suspended from all hockey club activities including practices for twenty-eight calendar days.

STEP 3: Third Offense: Suspended from all hockey club activities including practices for the remainder of the season.

V. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES (DRUGS) OR CONSUMPTION/USE/ABUSE OF MOOD ALTERING SUBSTANCES

During the hockey season players shall not use, possess, transfer or distribute any alcoholic beverages, controlled substances or consumption/use/abuse of mood altering substances within any ice facility or immediate area where participating games, practices, or other scheduled hockey club activities. For purposes of this policy, the words "mood altering substances" shall include the following:

1. Intoxicating beverages, including, but not limited to alcohol.
2. Prescription or prescribed controlled substances.
3. Prescription or prescribed controlled substances when used to excess in violation of doctors' orders, or to produce the state of intoxication in the participant.

The following steps will be initiated:

STEP 1: First Offense: Suspended from all hockey club activities including practices for forty-five calendar days.

STEP 2: second Offense: Suspended from all hockey club activities for the remainder of the season.

VI. CONFISCATION (STEALING) OR DESTRUCTION OF PRIVATE OR PUBLIC PROPERTY

Athletes who are participating in any hockey club activity will not confiscate or destroy any public or private property for any reason.

STEP 1: First Offense: Suspended from all hockey club activities including practices for forty-five calendar days.

STEP2: Second Offense: Suspended from all hockey club activities including practices for the remainder of the season. Required to reimburse the appropriate part for the cost of the item or items confiscated or destroyed.

PHA board has the right to bypass any or all steps, as they deem necessary depending upon the severity of the incident. Grievances will be limited to one meeting per incident. If a player is involved in an incident that requires suspension, suspension shall begin immediately and a grievance meeting will be scheduled for the next available board meeting should a grievance meeting be warranted.

FORFEITURE OF FEES: In the event a player is suspended, regardless of the length of time, the player will not be entitled to refunds of any sort for dues, fee, registration, ect.

Players Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/ Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Rules written 11/05/02

Mail all written grievances to:

Grievance Board
c/o Pinedale Hockey Association
P.O. Box 552
Pinedale, WY 82941