



MASSACHUSETTS HOCKEY FAIR PLAY - RESPECT INITIATIVE



PARENTS COMPACT

It is the intention of this compact to promote Fair Play and Respect for all participants within Massachusetts Hockey. Please read the Fair Play and Respect Code and continue throughout the year to observe and follow all the principles contained within the Code.

FAIR PLAY - RESPECT CODE

1. I will not force my child to participate in hockey. I will try to make it FUN!
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 by both my child's team and their opponents.
8. I will never question the official's judgment or honesty in public. I recognize that officials are being developed in the same manner as players.
9. I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from youth hockey games.
10. I will respect and show appreciation for the volunteers who give their time to hockey for my child.
11. I will never yell, taunt, threaten or inflict physical violence upon any player, coach, official or spectator at any youth hockey activity.



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12. I will not be critical of, or embarrass any player, including opposition players.
13. I will leave the coaching to the coaching staff. Encourage your child to play in a manner consistent with the team's strategy or plans.
14. I will communicate all and any concerns to the Team Manager (Fair Play-Respect Support Team).
15. I agree that school should take precedence over hockey.
16. I realize that my child is responsible for his / her own equipment.
17. I will refrain from the use of abusive or vulgar language at any time at the rink or any youth hockey function.
18. I will emphasize skill development and a serious approach to practices and explain how skill development will benefit my child.
19. I will attempt to learn about the game of hockey (USA Hockey rules, equipment, levels, skills, etc.)
20. I will refrain from throwing objects of any kind on the ice or leaning over and pounding on the glass.
21. I will insist that my child plays in a safe and healthy environment. A sports environment that is free of alcohol, drugs or tobacco and I will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
22. I understand the benefits from participation in a team sport, the commitment, the discipline and the social skills learned and acquired.
23. I will support the whole team concept.
24. I agree to abide by the principles of the FAIR PLAY AND RESPECT CODE as established by Massachusetts Hockey and supported by my local Association.

PRINT NAME	DATE
SIGNATURES: PARENT	PARENT
PLAYER'S NAME	TEAM