



Roosters Hockey Club

Codes of Conduct

Coaches

- Remember that young people participate for pleasure and winning is only part of the fun.
- Never ridicule or yell at a player for making a mistake.
- Be reasonable in your demands on players' time, energy and enthusiasm.
- Operate within the rules and spirit of hockey and teach your players to do the same.
- Ensure that the time players spend with you is a positive experience.
- Avoid overplaying the talented players; all young players need and deserve equal time, attention and opportunities.
- Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of all players.
- Display control and respect to all those involved in hockey. This includes opponents, coaches, umpires, administrators, parents and spectators. Encourage your players to do the same.
- Show concern and caution toward sick and injured players. Follow the advice of a physician when determining whether an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition.
- Obtain appropriate qualifications and keep up to date with the latest hockey coaching practices. Be aware of the principles of growth and development of young people.
- Any physical contact with a young person should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the player's skill development.

Players

- Learn and play by the rules.
- Never argue with an umpire. If you disagree, have your captain, coach or manager approach the umpire or umpiring officials to discuss the situation.
- Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials and sledging other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviours in hockey.
- Work equally hard for yourself and your teammates. Your team's performance will benefit and so will you.
- Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays, whether they are made by your team or the opposition.
- Treat all participants in hockey as you like to be treated. Do not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor.
- Cooperate with your coach, teammates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.
- Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please others.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every player regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.



Parents of Juniors

- Do not force an unwilling child to participate in sport.
- Remember, children are involved in sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
- Encourage your child to learn and play by the rules.
- Focus on the child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing.
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.
- Remember that children learn best by example. Appreciate good performances and skilful plays by all participants.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
- Respect officials' decisions and teach children to do likewise.
- Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators. Without them, your child could not participate.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every player regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.

Gold Coast Hockey Player/ Athlete Code of Behaviour

As a player of Gold Coast Hockey Association (GCHA) you are required to comply with this policy. You must meet the following requirements in regard to your conduct and in any role you hold within GCHA.

1. Behave in a sporting manner at all times to all players, officials and spectators.
2. Don't make detrimental statements in respect of the performance of any match officials or umpires.
3. Play by the rules at all times and ensure that the game of hockey is not brought into disrepute by your actions.
4. Do not engage in inappropriate and/or physical contact with players or officials during the course of play.
5. Accept responsibility for all actions taken. Exercise reasonable care to prevent injury by ensuring that you play within the rules. Reasonable care consists of showing due diligence in abiding by the rules and adhering to the officials decisions.
6. Adhere to the Anti-Doping Policy advocated by Hockey Australia.
7. Do not bet on the outcome or on any other aspect of a hockey match or competition.
8. Do not show unnecessary obvious dissension, displeasure or disapproval (by action or verbal abuse) towards an umpire or match official as a consequence of his or her decision or generally.
9. Adhere to HA racial and sexual vilification policy.
10. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
11. Don't do anything which adversely affects or reflects on or discredits the game of hockey, HA, GCHA, or any squad, team, competition, tournament, sponsor, official supplier or licensee, including, but not limited to, any illegal act or any act of dishonesty or fraud.
12. Refrain from using obscene, offensive or insulting language and/or making obscene gestures which may insult other players, officials or spectators.