



MOUND WESTONKA HOCKEY ASSOCIATION COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

The Mound Westonka Hockey Association board and Hockey Operations Committee expects that all coaches adhere to the Mound Westonka Hockey Association mission statement and published guidelines outlined in the Code of Conduct for Coach's and the policies, procedures and guidelines of USA Hockey, MN Hockey and District 3.

If you have any questions, please contact the Hockey Operations Committee lead; the Ace Coordinator.

As a coach, I will make the following commitments to my team and parents involved:

1. I will teach my players to play fairly and to respect the rules, officials and opponents.
2. I will insure that all players get equal instruction and support, provided they are willing to learn.
3. I agree to provide/designate a coach to work with goalies consistently throughout the season.
4. I agree to have at least one coach/manager/or approved parent to be at the rink and last to leave at all team practices and games to supervise the locker room per MN Hockey Guidelines and follow all locker room polices and rules of MWA and the MWA Locker Room Policy.
5. I agree that my team shall have no scheduled ice time without proper on ice supervisor due to the implied liability. Proper on ice supervision includes Head Coach and/or Assistant Coaches.
6. I agree that non-rostered players shall not practice with any team.
7. I will ensure all players line up and shake hands after every game.
8. I will remember that participants need a coach they can respect. I will be generous with praise and set a good example.
9. I will obtain proper training and continue to upgrade my coaching skills.
10. I will show up to practices and games prepared to teach and set a good example.
11. I agree to base my coaching on two areas of control – Effort and Attitude – I will look for ways to reinforce this on a daily basis in practice and games.
12. I will refrain from using profane language and abuse towards players, parents and officials.
13. I will make every effort to give all players the opportunity to “earn equal ice time.” I will use my best judgment to put players in positions that develop their individual skills and benefit the development of the team and the hockey program.
14. I will do my best to communicate individual player issues with the parents involved, and escalate issues I cannot resolve to the Hockey Operations Committee.
15. I will follow all MWA, USA Hockey, Minnesota Hockey and District 3 policies and procedures
16. I agree to create a positive atmosphere where players should be encouraged to practice and play at full speed, without worrying about being reprimanded for making mistakes.



17. I agree to treat all fellow coaches, players, parents, referees, opponents, facilities with respect.
18. I agree to abide by all Pond/Thaler Arena guidelines and have my players abide by those guidelines as well.
19. I agree to discipline my emotions in a way that honors the team, program and community. Although I may be passionate about the game, I will handle myself with class and discipline at all team events.
20. I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, fans, volunteers and referees at any youth hockey event.
21. I will not use a cell phone or mobile recording device in any locker room.
22. I will not use alcohol before any Mound Westonka game or practice and will use my best judgement if using alcohol during a night activity at an out of town team tournament when players and parents are present. I understand that use of an illegal substance of any kind will be grounds for immediate termination. This includes not able to attend team practices, games, meetings or events that is result of substance use. If any coach is found of these violations, the disciplinary actions will take place.
 - a) 1st Offense – 2 games
 - b) 2nd offense – Suspension for the remainder of the year.

I understand that if I cannot abide by these rules or violate them, I will be subject to disciplinary action as outlined.

Coach's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Coach's Name (Printed): _____

Team: _____

Ace Coordinator Signature: _____

This Code of Conduct must be signed and submitted to the ACE Coordinator prior to the start of the season.