



Carolina Amateur Hockey Association
MEMBER ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT



We, _____, agree to be bound by the Bylaws; Policies and
LOCAL ASSOCIATION NAME
 Procedures; and Rules and Regulations of Carolina Amateur Hockey Association (CAHA) and USA Hockey
 including but not limited to the following:

PREEMINENCE

The Member Association shall abide by and act in accord with the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, Playing Rules and decisions of the Board of Directors of CAHA and USA Hockey, and such documents and decisions shall take precedence over and supersede all similar governing documents and/or decisions of the Member Association.

Further, the Member Association (i) shall assist CAHA and USA Hockey in the administration and enforcement of the provisions of the Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, Playing Rules and decisions of the Board of Directors of CAHA and USA Hockey, within and upon its members and/or within its jurisdiction and (ii) agrees to be guided by the following core values of CAHA and USA Hockey:

SPORTSMANSHIP

Foremost of all values is to learn a sense of fair play. Become humble in victory, gracious in defeat. We will foster friendship with teammates and opponents alike.

RESPECT FOR THE INDIVIDUAL

Treat all others as you expect to be treated.

INTEGRITY

We seek to foster honesty and fair play beyond mere strict interpretation of the rules and regulations of the game.

PURSUANT OF EXCELLENCE AT THE INDIVIDUAL, TEAM AND ORGANIZATIONAL LEVELS

Each member of the organization, whether player, volunteer or staff, should seek to perform each aspect of the game to the highest level of his or her ability.

ENJOYMENT

It is important for the hockey experience to be fun, satisfying and rewarding for the participant.

LOYALTY

We aspire to teach loyalty to the ideals and fellow members of the sport of hockey.

TEAMWORK

We value the strength of learning to work together. The use of teamwork is reinforced and rewarded by success in the hockey experience.

Nothing contained herein, however, shall be construed to delegate the duties or responsibilities of the Member Association to CAHA or USA Hockey, its officers, directors, agents or employees, nor shall this provision be construed to prevent the Member Association from implementing rules, policies and procedures which may be more stringent than those of CAHA and USA Hockey providing such rules, policies or procedures do not conflict with those of CAHA and USA Hockey.

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INDEMNIFICATION

The Member Association shall indemnify and hold harmless CAHA and USA Hockey, the Board of Directors of CAHA, USA Hockey and each member thereof, the Standing Committees of CAHA, USA Hockey and each member thereof, the committees of CAHA, USA Hockey and each member thereof, and all other elected, appointed, employed or volunteer representatives of CAHA and USA Hockey from any and all claims, liability, judgments, costs, attorneys' fees, charges and expenses whatsoever, arising from the acts and omissions of the Member Association, except to the extent (i) that CAHA, USA Hockey or its aforescribed representative caused such claims, liability, judgments, costs, attorneys fees, charges or expenses by their own intentional neglect or default or (ii) that such acts or omissions were the direct result of compliance with the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, Rules, and Regulations, Playing Rules, or decisions of the Board of Directors of CAHA and USA Hockey.

The Member Association understands and acknowledges that CAHA, USA Hockey and its aforescribed representatives have assumed each assignment, function, office or capacity upon the express understanding, agreement, and condition that they may be so indemnified and held harmless to the extent described by the CAHA and USA Hockey Bylaws.

CAHA shall reasonably cooperate with the Member Association in any litigation and provide reasonable support in connection therewith, including but not limited to, advice and testimony upon reasonable request; provided however, that such cooperation shall not require CAHA to incur any out-of-pocket expense not reimbursed by the Member Association.

DISCIPLINE/DISPUTE RESOLUTION; SUSPENSIONS

The Member Association shall by virtue of their membership in CAHA and USA Hockey, adopt USA Hockey Bylaw 10 as the sole and exclusive remedy for the prompt and equitable resolution of disputes of its individual members, including fair notice and opportunity for a hearing to any amateur athlete, coach, trainer, manager, administrator, or official before declaring such individual ineligible to participate, provided, however, that such procedures may permit suspensions without a hearing for nonpayment of fees due to the Member Association or as allowed under Bylaw 10 D. Exclusions from Unified Procedure. Member Associations shall cooperate with duly appointed representatives of CAHA in administering and enforcing suspensions or other disciplinary action under (1) CAHA's Bylaws and (2) CAHA's procedures for match penalty hearing assessments.

USA HOCKEY POLICIES

The Member Association's agrees to adopt and observe the USA Hockey SafeSport Policy which includes but is not limited to Sexual Abuse, Physical Abuse, Emotional Abuse, Bullying, Threats and Harassment, Hazing, Locker Room Policy, Electronic Communications Policy, Travel Policy, Billeting Policy; Zero Tolerance, Consumption/Use/Abuse of Mood Altering Substances and other such polices as they are adopted, currently exist or may hereafter be amended.

FEES

The Member Association must ensure each constituent participant member reasonable information relating to utilization of fees charged for participation in the Association.

VOTING

Member Association's governing documents and/or operating procedures shall clearly define the method of electing Association representatives as applicable.

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The undersigned representative of _____ represents that
LOCAL ASSOCIATION NAME
 he/she has the authority to sign this agreement and as a condition of membership in Carolina Amateur Hockey Association agrees to comply with all Bylaws; Policies and Procedures; and Rules and Regulations of Carolina Amateur Hockey Association (CAHA) and USA Hockey.

Signature _____

Printed Name _____

Position _____

Email _____

Telephone _____

Date _____

All pages of this agreement must be initialed or signed as appropriate and returned as instructed to the CAHA Membership Committee.