

MARKET HARBOROUGH HOCKEY CLUB

YOUNG PERSONS CODE OF CONDUCT



When playing Hockey, I should expect:

- To be treated fairly and with respect
- To be guided and advised on how to improve my abilities/skills
- To be applauded for effort and good play as well as success
- To be told when I am not concentrating or paying attention.

When playing Hockey, I will:

- Always play to the best of my ability and for the benefit of my team
- Play fairly—I won't cheat, dive, complain or waste time
- Respect and listen to my team-mates, the other team, the umpire, my captain and my coach/manager
- Play by the rules, as directed by the coach or umpire
- Respect the decision of umpires and officials—their decision is final
- Be gracious in victory and defeat
- Listen and respond to what my coach/team manager tells me
- Understand that a coach has to do what is best for the everybody present and not one individual player
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting, or abusive language or behaviour
- Not behave in a way that affects the enjoyment of other young people at training
- Always thank my opposition, coaches, umpires and officials after every game and training sessions
- Take responsibility for my actions on and off the pitch
- Respect the facilities where I play and the equipment I use
- Talk to someone I trust or the club welfare officer if I'm unhappy about anything at my club.

I understand that if I do not follow the Code, any/all of the following actions may be taken against me by my club or by England Hockey:

- Be required to apologise to my team-mates, the other team, umpire or coach
- Receive a formal warning from the coach or the club committee—this may be a recorded verbal warning or a written warning
- Be dropped or substituted or suspended from training

- Suspended or have my club membership removed or be required to leave the club
- My club will make my parent or guardian aware of any infringements of the Code of Conduct.

As a Parent I will:

- Take responsibility for my children’s actions
- Ensure that I deliver them on time to training sessions and that they are accompanied by an appropriate adult (if not myself) at all games, tournaments and events
- Be responsible for organising transport to/from all games, tournaments and events
- Ensure that my children know the arrangements for how they get to/from training, games, tournaments and events and I have also informed a coach/captain/club official of these arrangements.

Training specific rules – Card System:

If I am disruptive and do not follow rules, or what is asked of me at training, the following card system will be enforced:

Green card – This is a warning for inappropriate behaviour. This may include spending 5 minutes ‘sin binned’ at the side of the pitch. You should think about why the card has been shown during this time. Your parent will be informed at the end of the training session.

Yellow Card – I will be asked to stop training immediately and will not be able to take any further part in the session. My parents will be informed of this and the reasons you have been removed from training. The yellow card will also be reported to the club committee who may decide to take additional action.

Red Card – This applies to persistent and continuous inappropriate behaviour and will involve discussion with your parents and may result in you being asked to leave the club.

Further information on the club rules and the full Code of Conduct are published on the clubs website at: **www.mhhockey.co.uk/policies**

If you (or your parents) have any concerns about this policy, or feel that there are inappropriate actions by coaches then you should tell a club official.

The club Welfare Officer is Sally Gambles, 07979145707, welfare@mhhockey.co.uk

The club Chair is Nick Riley, 07855 942971, chairman@mhhockey.co.uk

PLEASE ENSURE THE TEAR OFF SLIP IS SIGNED AND RETURNED TO TRAINING

I,
confirm that I have read the Young Persons Code of Conduct and confirm that I understand it.

Countersigned by parent/carer: Date:.....