

North West Vancouver Ringette Association

Code of Conduct – Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

The essential elements of character building and ethics in Ringette are embodied in the core principles of trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship.

As a parent of a player registered with the North West Vancouver Ringette Association, I agree to the following:

- I will remember that the game is for fun and the game is for the players.
- I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect, courtesy and positive support to all players, coaches, team managers, volunteers, officials and spectators at all games and practices.
- I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player or parent such as booing and taunting: refusing to shake hands: or using profane language or gestures.
- I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and mental wellbeing of the athletes.
- I will ensure my child treats other players, coaches, team managers, volunteers, officials and spectators with respect regardless of race, color, sex or ability.
- I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other players for making a mistake or losing a game.
- I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the players ahead of any personal desire I have for my child to win.
- I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss or confront coaches during or immediately following a game.
- I will arrange through the team manager for a meeting with the coach(s) at an agreed upon time and place. All major disputes will be given a 24-hour cool down period.
- I will ensure a sports environment for my child that is free of drugs, tobacco products, and alcohol and I will refrain from the use of them at all sporting events.

As a spectator at Ringette events I will:

- Encourage athletes to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence;
- Never ridicule a participant for making a mistake during a performance or practice;
- Provide positive comments that motivate and encourage participants continued effort;
- Respect the decisions and judgments of officials, and encourage athletes to do the same;
- Never question an officials' or Ringette Canada staffs' judgment or honesty;
- Respect and show appreciation to all competitors, and to the coaches, officials and other volunteers who give their time to the sport.
- Keep off of the playing area and not interfere with play.

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Signature(s): _____

Players Name: _____ Date: _____