



Milton Keynes Junior Ice Hockey Clubs Parent Code of Conduct



1. Do not force your child to train or play, especially if they do not want to take part in sporting activities.
2. Do not forget that the children take part in ice hockey for their own enjoyment, not yours.
3. Encourage your child to always play by the rules.
4. Help your child to understand that 100% effort is as important as victory. This will help them to accept results without undue disappointment.
5. Turn a defeat into a positive thing by helping your child to improve their abilities and develop their team and sporting spirit. Do not ridicule or get angry at your child if they make a mistake or their side lost a game.
6. The best way for a child to learn is to follow the adult's example. Acknowledge a game was well played, whether by your child's team or their opponents.
7. Do not argue in public with the decisions taken by the officials. Do not doubt their fairness or be abusive toward the on or off ice officials.
8. Recognise the value and importance of the voluntary coaches. They give their time and efforts freely to enable your child to enjoy their hockey.
9. Be supportive of your child's manager and the other club officials, and recognise the work they put in so that the club can function.
10. Do not approach coaches directly with issues. All matters should be discussed with the team manager in the first instance.
11. Ensure that you and your child use Internet forums, chat groups, social networks or any other media in the public domain wisely. You will be held responsible for any statements or content of posts made.
12. Please volunteer to help out at all of your child's games. This applies equally at all age groups. If you are interested in learning one of the jobs (i.e. clock, DJ, game sheet etc) let your manager know and they will arrange for you to learn. Don't forget jobs such as programme selling and shirt washing are just as vital as the jobs on the timekeeper's bench.
13. Be aware of the Club's rules and constitution and the discipline and child protection procedures. Be supportive of these initiatives - they may help answer many of your questions. Copies of any of the documents can be obtained from the club website.