



Casper Amateur Hockey Club

Code of Conduct

Parents and Players

1. **PLAYERS CODE OF CONDUCT -**

The basic goal for all players is to develop positive life skills and character skills through sportsmanship and teamwork, as well as to develop the basic skills of ice hockey. A working knowledge of the rules will be developed while instilling a love for the game and the competitive spirit. In fulfilling these goals a player must abide by the Code of Conduct set forth by CAHC. Any grievances regarding violations of this Code of Conduct should be submitted in writing to the age group director or representative or the Hockey Director, who will forward it to the Discipline Committee.

2. **DISRESPECT -**

No disrespect whatsoever, towards either a coach, assistant coach, manager or a designated representative in the coach's absence, will be tolerated. Such action may result in disciplinary action (i.e. benching, suspension, etc.) at the coach's discretion. All players are to be considerate of, and are to respect all team members' morale. All players are to be courteous to all out of town teams, tournament officials, hotel/motel employees, game officials, parents and anyone else with whom they come in contact.

3. **FIGHTING, PROFANE OR ABUSIVE LANGUAGE, OBSCENE GESTURES -**

During the hockey season, players while on the ice or off the ice but Participating in a hockey club activity (including out of town games) shall not fight, use profane or abusive language, make obscene gestures, spit intentionally on or at another person with malice or perform other despicable and obnoxious actions.

- A. First Offense – Suspended from all hockey club activities Including games and practices for a period of seven (7) consecutive calendar days.
- B. Second Offense- Suspended from all hockey club activities Including games and practices for a period of fourteen (14) Consecutive calendar days.
- C. Third Offense- Suspended from all hockey activities Including games and practices for the remainder of the season.

These penalties are in addition to and consecutive to any mandatory USA hockey Penalty.

4. **GAME MISCONDUCT –**

Repeated major penalties and unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated, and players will be dealt with in the following manner.

- a. **First Game Misconduct** – Receive a letter of warning regarding subsequent consequences from the Discipline Committee.
- b. **Second Game Misconduct** – Requested to appear before the Discipline Committee and subject to CAHC levied suspension.
- c. **Third Game Misconduct** – Requested to appear before the Discipline Committee and suspension imposed from all Hockey Club activities including games and practices for the Remainder of the season.

***** ALL GROSS MISCONDUCT AND MATCH PENALTIES WILL REQUIRE THE PLAYER TO APPEAR BEFORE THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE. *****

5. **TOBACCO, ALCOHOL, DRUGS, WEAPONS, PARTIES, AND VIOLATIONS OF MUNICIPAL, STATE OR FEDERAL CODES.**

During the hockey season (August 1st through April 15th) players shall not use, possess, transfer or distribute any alcoholic beverages, controlled substances or mind altering substances without a

valid prescription at any time or place. No weapons (guns, knives, bombs, etc.) shall be allowed at any hockey activities.

No Player shall attend any hockey club activity while under the influence of alcoholic beverages, controlled substances or mind altering substances without a valid prescription at any time or place. A coach has the responsibility to remove a player from an activity if he or she believes that the player is under the influence of alcoholic beverages or controlled substances. If a player has been removed from an activity because he or she is believed to be under the influence of alcoholic beverages, controlled substances or mind altering substances without a valid prescription he or she is not to attempt to drive himself or herself home or the proper authorities may be notified.

Players are expected to avoid situations/gatherings where illegal substances (alcohol/drugs/tobacco) are available and/or being consumed by underage youth. Players need to take positive action to avoid situations where illegal substances are present. Failure to take appropriate steps to avoid these types of situations is considered a violation of this policy.

If the discipline committee finds a violation of any of these provisions to have occurred the penalties shall be as follows:

- A. **First Offense**- A four (4) game suspension to be served at the first opportunity. (Next originally scheduled games). Player will still be expected to practice. In addition, a letter of warning will be sent to the player.
- B. **Second Offense** – A six (6) game suspension to be served at the first opportunity. (Next originally scheduled games). Player will still be expected to practice. In addition a letter of warning will be sent to the player.
- C. **Third Offense** - Suspended from all hockey club activities including games and practices for a period of 30 consecutive calendar days. Player must appear before the Discipline Committee for review.
- D. **Fourth Offense** - Suspended from all hockey activities including games and practices for 1 calendar year (excluding summer). Player must appear before the Discipline Committee for review.
 - **All unserved suspensions will be completed the next season.**

6. **CONFISCATION OR DESTRUCTION OF PRIVATE OR PUBLIC PROPERTY -**

Athletes who are participating in any hockey club activity will not confiscate (steal) or destroy any public or private property for any reason.

- A. **First Offense** - Suspended from all hockey club activities including games and practices for a period of (14) to (30) consecutive calendar days. Player is required to appear before the Discipline Committee for review and must reimburse at his/her own expense the appropriate party for the cost of the items confiscated or destroyed.
- B. **Second Offense** – Suspended from all hockey club activities including games and practices for the remainder of the season. Player required to appear before the Discipline Committee and will be subject to disciplinary action deemed appropriate by the Discipline Committee. Player must reimburse at his/her own expense the appropriate party for the cost of the items confiscated or destroyed.

***** It is to be understood that it is a violation of the Casper City Ordinances to deface or destroy any public property, and therefore, such a violation will be reported to the Police Department. *****

7. **HAZING -**

Hazing of any nature is not accepted or condoned and will not be tolerated at any age level. Any incident should be reported to the Age Group Representative or Hockey Director who will refer all reports to the Discipline Committee for review and appropriate actions.

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Any disciplinary actions imposed by the Discipline Committee will be served along with any USA Hockey imposed penalties (per USA Hockey Rulebook, USA Hockey Annual Guide or The State Referee in Chief). Disciplinary actions imposed by the Discipline Committee will be served concurrent to USA Hockey penalties unless specifically noted. All offenses are subject to harsher punishment if so deemed by the CAHC discipline committee.

Discipline Committee actions will remain on file for a period of two (2) years from the time of the incident, and further offenses will be deemed consecutive within that time frame whereas related to sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7.

FORFEITURE OF FEES

In the event a player is suspended, regardless of the length of time, the player will not be entitled to a refund.

CASPER AMATEUR HOCKEY CLUB CODE OF CONDUCT PARENT/SPECTATOR

1. PARENT/SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT

The success of CAHC depends upon the active participation of parents and volunteers. Parents are encouraged to participate in all activities of CAHC. The ultimate responsibility for a child's behavior belongs with the parent. Detrimental or unsportsmanlike conduct by a child, parents or both may result in the suspension of the child, parents or both. Any grievances regarding violations of this Code of Conduct should be submitted in writing to the age group director or representative or the Hockey Director, who will forward it to the Discipline Committee.

2. RULES OF CONDUCT –

- A. Abusive behavior, gestures or language towards players, coaches, officials or other parents/spectators will not be permitted or tolerated.
- B. Except at the expressed request of the coach, parents and all other nonparticipants are required to be in the stands and away from the player's benches during the game. Interference by parents/spectators during a game will result in the following steps:
 1. **First Offense** – A warning in writing will be sent to the parent/spectator.
 2. **Second Offense** – The parent/spectator will be barred from attending games and/or practices for a period of seven (7) consecutive calendar days.
 3. **Third Offense** – The parent/spectator will be barred from attending games and/or practices for the remainder of the season.
- C. Parents are expected to make sure players attend all practices and games on time and should notify coaches, assistant coaches or managers as far in advance as possible if their child will be absent from a game or practice.
- D. Grievances should be submitted in writing after a 24 hour cool-off period to the Age Group Representative or Team Managers. Not the coaches or referees.
- E. Parents/spectators are requested not to offer comments or advice during Games or practices since these may conflict with the coaches' strategy or lesson plan at this time. Parents/spectators are expressly prohibited from complaining directly to coaches or referees. This type of action will be dealt with disciplinary action as noted above. Any parent/spectator refusing to abide by the decisions of the disciplinary committee or the Board of Directors will result in the parent/spectator being barred from the Ice Arena. The City of Casper Ice Arena will support any disciplinary action imposed by CAHC and visa/versa.

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Casper Amateur Hockey Club will be in contact with law enforcement agencies regarding participant's activities that may be considered a violation of this code. The undersigned by signing this code of conduct authorizes the release of information with regard to activities that may be considered a violation of this code to the chairperson of the discipline committee by any federal or local law enforcement agencies: the District Attorney's office, the City Attorney's office, Probation and Parole or the Youth Diversion office within the District Attorney's office.

I have read and understand the above Code of Conduct for Parent/Spectator and Player. I will abide by all rules and regulations set forth and if I do not, I understand I will be held accountable for my actions.

Player Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Thank you.