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Annually through the Registration process, all Waterloo Girls Hockey Association (WGHA) players and parents read, agree and sign the appropriate Fair Play Pledge and Code of Conduct. The WGHA Players' Fair Play Pledge, Player Code of Conduct, Parents Fair Play Pledge and Code of Conduct for Parents are all in the electronic registration system (RAMP).

The WGHA Player's Fair Play Pledge

It is the intention of this pledge to promote fair play by exhibiting respect for all participants within the Waterloo Girls Hockey Association. All players, coaches, officials and parents are responsible for encouraging and promoting fair play by endorsing this pledge during registration for players and parents, and at time of application for coaches, before being allowed to participate in hockey in the Waterloo Girls Hockey Association system and must continue to observe these principles of fair play throughout the season.

I agree to abide by the principles of the Fair Play code as set forth by the Hockey Canada (HC) and supported by the Waterloo Girls Hockey Association. This commitment to fair play will pave the way for teamwork, better hockey and positive attitudes. Win or lose, we treat each other with respect and dignity.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PLAYERS

1. "I play hockey because I want to, not because others want me to.
2. I will play by the rules and maintain the spirit of Ravens hockey.
3. I will respect all players, coaches, officials, parents and spectators.
4. I will control my temper. Rough play and mouthing off can spoil the activity for everyone.
5. I will be a team player.
6. I will remember that having fun, improving my skills, making friends and doing my best is more important than winning.
7. I will acknowledge all good play; whether they are my teammates or my opponents.



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8. I will remember that coaches and officials are there to help me. I will accept their decisions and show them respect.
9. I will encourage my teammates to play hard, play fair and do their best.
10. I will represent Waterloo Ravens Hockey Association in a positive manner at all times and be proud to be a Raven!
11. I will not consume alcoholic beverages nor take any drugs during any team activity including games, practices, overnight tournaments, team events, and travel to and from these events.
12. I will not use any electronic device with a camera or recording capability in any recreation facility change room."

THE WGHA Parents' Fair Play Pledge

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CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS

1. "I will remember that children learn best by example. I will applaud good play/performances by both my child's team and their opponents.
2. I will remember that my child plays for their enjoyment, not mine. I will not live through my child.
3. I will not have unrealistic expectations.



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4. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or event.
5. I will never ridicule or yell at any child for making a mistake or losing a game. I will provide positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort.
6. I will make my child feel like a winner every time by offering praise for competing fairly and trying hard.
7. I will show respect for my team's opponents, because without them there would be no game or competition.
8. I will respect the officials' decisions or judgement and will encourage participants to do the same.
9. I will respect the volunteer coaches, who give their time to provide sport activities for my child, and show appreciation.
10. I will not use foul language, nor will I harass or abuse, verbally or physically, athletes, coaches, officials or other spectators.
11. I will never exhibit racist, sexist, ableist or any sort of degrading language or gestures. I will model respectful and inclusive behavior at all times and will require this of my child as well.
12. I will remember that child athletes are not miniature professionals and cannot be judged by professional standards."

The Waterloo Girls Hockey Member Agreement

Legal Member Agreement To Participate In The Programs of the Waterloo Girls Hockey Association.

"As a participant/parent, I agree to be subject to the rules, regulations, and decisions of all affiliated leagues, the, OWHA, HC, and the Waterloo Girls Hockey Association and its executive which may restrict in some areas such as movement from team to team, conduct, etc. and agree to abide by such rules, regulations and decisions of affiliated leagues, the OWHA, HC, and the Waterloo Girls Hockey Association and its executive."



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I am aware that these rules and regulations are available to me through my local executive and certify that the provided information is true.

WGHA Waiver of Liability

"For Waterloo Girls Hockey Association and all of its' directors, organizers, and members:

I hereby indemnify and save harmless Waterloo Girls Hockey Association, hereby known as the WGHA and including all of its' directors, members, non-member players and affiliated associations, from and against any and all claims by any person or persons arising out of any act or neglect in respect to any thing associated with any and all activity that is in any way affiliated with the WGHA. This includes, but is not limited to, any injuries sustained before, during and after any hockey game/practice and related activity."