



The Dartmouth Whalers Minor Hockey Association (DWMHA) ¹Code of Conduct promotes a fun and safe environment and applies to all participants:

- Players
- Parents
- Coaches and team officials
- Whaler's Board members, staff and all volunteers.

As a participant:

1. I understand that winning is not everything and that having fun, improving skills, making friends and learning sportsmanship is the primary goal of DWMHA. Winning and losing will be done with equal grace and dignity.
2. I understand that being allowed to be involved with the DWMHA is a privilege and that full compliance with the Code is required at all times.
3. I understand that we must set an example, and conduct ourselves respectfully and with courtesy towards everyone associated with the game and that our team, the DWMHA and myself will be judged by our behaviour.
4. I understand that yelling, taunting, use of obscene gestures or language, racial or ethnic slurs, striking or attempting to strike (except allowable on-ice body contact under league rules) or otherwise abusing another player, Official, Coach or spectator will not be tolerated.
5. I understand that we must abide by and respect the officials and their authority during any and all games. We will not question or confront officials whether before, during or after the game.

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6. I will not publicly criticize or question coaches, teammates, opponents or Officials and shall only raise our concerns privately in a civil and respectful manner.
7. I understand that players are expected to attend every practice and game to the best of their ability and to participate in all skill development sessions where applicable. It is my responsibility to notify my coach or designate if I am unable to attend.
8. I understand that the Dartmouth Whalers is run by Volunteers and I will respect their efforts to teach the players.
9. I fully understand that if I break any part of this Code of Conduct, my actions can and will be reviewed by the Dir of Risk Management and Discipline or other appointed body.