



Field Hockey BC Policy Governance FHBC CODES OF CONDUCT (MatchPlay) – Respect Program – COACHES, MANAGERS, and OFFICIALS

BRITISH COLUMBIA UNIVERSAL CODE OF CONDUCT

Following the formal adoption of the British Columbia Universal Code of Conduct (BC UCC) by Field Hockey BC on September 27 2021, Field Hockey BC accepts all language contained in the BC UCC which forms an integral part of the FHBC Respect Program Code of Conduct (MatchPlay) – Coaches, Managers, and Officials. A copy of the full BC UCC can be accessed through the Field Hockey BC website at the following link: <https://fieldhockeybc.com/safe-sport/>

FHBC RESPECT PROGRAM – COACHES, MANAGERS, and OFFICIALS

We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game. The 2016 Spring and Summer Season in particular saw standards of behaviour fall below acceptable levels. This included the abuse of match officials and the unacceptable behaviour of over competitive parents, spectators and coaches on the sideline. Play your part and observe the RESPECT Codes of Conduct in everything you do.

On and off the field, I will:

1. Show respect to others involved in the game including match officials, opposition players, coaches, managers, officials and spectators/fans
2. Adhere to the laws and spirit of the game
3. Promote Fair Play and high standards of behaviour
4. Always respect the match official's decision
5. Never enter the field of play without the officials permission
6. Never engage in public criticism of the match officials Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour.

When working with players, I will:

- Place the well-being, safety and enjoyment of each player above everything, including winning
- Explain exactly what I expect of players and what they can expect from me
- Ensure all parents/guardians of all players under the age of 19 understand these expectations
- Never engage in or tolerate any form of bullying
- Develop mutual trust and respect with every player to build their self-esteem

- Encourage each player to accept responsibility for their own behaviour and performance
- Ensure all activities I organize are appropriate for the players' ability level, age and maturity
- Co-operate fully with others in field hockey (e.g. officials, doctors, physios, athletic trainers, event hosts, staff) for each player's best interests.

I understand that if I do not follow the Code, any/all of the following actions may be taken by my club, league, or Provincial Association:

- Required to meet with the club, league or provincial committee
- Monitored by another coach/official
- Required to attend an education course
- Suspended by the club from attending matches
- Suspended or sanctioned by the league or Provincial Association
- Required to leave the club.

In addition:

- My Provincial Association membership may be withdrawn

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