

## **COON RAPIDS YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT**

Attend, pass the test and obtain the necessary coaching certification level that the Minnesota Amateur Hockey Association requires for the level I am coaching.

Understand the Zero Tolerance rule and explain the rule to my players and their parents, and I will abide by this rule myself. Enforce if necessary.

Be a positive role model to my players, display emotional maturity and be alert to the physical safety of players. Be optimistic, share the joy of life.

Be generous with my praise when it is deserved, be consistent, honest, fair and just; do not criticize players publicly, and be an effective communicator and coach. Don't yell at players, coaches, or referees.

Adjust to the personal needs and problems of players; be a good listener; never verbally or physically abuse a player or official; give all players the opportunity to improve their skills, gain confidence and develop self-esteem; teach them the basics. Believe in each player, the other coaches, and administrators.

Organize practices that are fun and challenging for my players. Familiarize myself with the rules, techniques and strategies of hockey; encourage all my players to be team players. Be prepared. Do not ask anything of my players, other coaches, administrators and parents that I do not ask and expect of myself.

Maintain an open line of communication with my player's parents. Explain the goals and objectives of my coaching philosophy and that of CRYHA.

Be concerned with the overall development of my players. Stress good health habits and clean living.

Work to be the best coach possible.

To play the game is great; to live the game is greater. Remember, IT IS ONLY A GAME.

I \_\_\_\_\_ certify that I will abide by the guidelines listed above for this current season and understand that I can be removed from the appointed position if I falter in any of these responsibilities.