

# **Silver Seven Hockey Club**

## **Player Code of Conduct**

### **Code of Conduct - Preamble**

Due to the competitive environment created by sport an atmosphere of negative behavior/conduct can occur from time to time. As members of the Ottawa Silver Seven Hockey Club (OVSS) all of our parents, players, coaches and volunteers are reminded that any breach of the Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary measures being taken. As an Executive we strive to maintain a high level of professionalism and respect within our Association and as such we take a ZERO TOLERANCE approach to any conduct deemed unbecoming of an OVSS member.

As a result, the OVSS Executive retains the right to sanction disciplinary measures against anyone who violates any code of conduct policy or otherwise acts in a manner that is deemed to be unacceptable or in direct contrast to any of the core values and positive playing environment we are striving to create. These noted disciplinary sanctions can include (but are not limited to) coach/parent/player suspensions, restrictions from the lobby area and/or other areas of the facility in which the OVSS has rented for use. This can also include the viewing /audience area (both ice pads if applicable), canteen, parking lot etc. Further sanctions can include outright suspension from any venue or building being utilized for an OVSS sanctioned event.

The OVSS Executive will implement (if applicable) a progressive discipline policy. Although the degree of discipline will vary from incident to incident depending on the particulars of the violation, punishment will increase in length and severity should repeat offences occur. As an example a first offence violation may result in a one month suspension, a second offence may carry a 3-6 month suspension and a third offence may result in a lifetime revocation of membership with the OVSS Association.

The OVSS Executive reserve the right to issue any sanction(s) deemed reasonable to

one of its members given the totality of the circumstances of the violation committed.

All of our membership is reminded that being a part of the OVSS Association is a privilege and not a right. Please ensure that you conduct yourself in a manner that is reflective of the positive atmosphere we are striving to create. You are not only viewed as an individual but also as an OVSS member, please carry yourselves accordingly and exercise due diligence in promoting a fun, healthy and professional environment that can be enjoyed by all.

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#### **SILVER SEVEN PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT**

The Silver Seven Hockey Association believes strongly in the core values of teamwork, sportsmanship and leadership through example. As a player in our Association you should know that your actions reflect not only on you, but also on your teammates, your coaches and the Silver Seven Hockey Association as a whole.

#### **Player Code of Conduct Agreement**

As a player or a parent / legal guardian of a child involved in the Silver Seven Hockey Association, I agree to abide by and follow the rules of the guidelines listed below;

I will never curse or use foul language in the dressing room or on the ice.

I will respect my coaches and team officials at all times and listen carefully to their instructions. I understand that they are giving their time to make me a better hockey player.

I will support and respect my teammates and opponents at all times. I will not tease, ridicule, put down, taunt, bully or make fun of any players on my team or the opposing team, at any time.

I understand that my behavior reflects on my teammates, my coaches and the Silver Seven Hockey Association. I will always be on my best behavior at games, practices, hotels and other team events.

I will not complain about penalties or calls made by the on ice Officials and I will respect the referees at all times. I understand that they are in charge of enforcing the rules of ice hockey, and I will respect their opinions at all times and will play within the spirit of the game.

I will show good sportsmanship at all times, both when winning and losing. I will always congratulate the other team and wish them good luck.

I will be committed to my development as a hockey player. This includes attending practices, games, and all other team related events both on and off ice. I will listen to my coaching staff at all times, and I will always strive to give my best effort.

I will arrive at practices and games on time and prepared. I understand that it is my responsibility to have all of my equipment packed and be ready to play the game. This includes refraining from the use or consumption of any alcohol or illegal drugs prior to my attendance at a team event.

I will always leave the dressing room clean and in good condition, both at my home rink and away.

I will never bring drugs, alcohol, tobacco products or weapons of any kind any hockey games, practices, trips, tournaments or other events.

I understand that by signing this agreement I promise to uphold the Silver Seven Hockey Association **Player Code of Conduct**. I realize that any violation of this Code of Conduct may result in loss of ice-time, suspension for part of or all of a game, or even ejection from the Silver Seven Association.

Player Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_