

## Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct

Ringette BC is committed to providing its members with a safe and positive environment in which all individuals are treated with respect. The essential elements of character building and ethics in Ringette are embodied in the core principles of trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ as a parent/guardian of a registered Ringette player in the Province of BC agree to the following:

1. I will remember that the game is for fun and the game is for the players.
2. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect, courtesy and positive support to all athletes, coaches, officials and spectators at games and practices.
3. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, athlete, parent or other spectator. Action include booing, taunting or using profane language or gestures.
4. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the health and mental well-being of the athletes, officials, coaches or other spectators.
5. I will ensure that I treat all players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect regardless of a person's culture, color, ancestry, nationality, age, political beliefs, religion, family status, physical or mental disability, gender or sexual orientation.
6. I will not ridicule or yell at my child, other athletes, officials or coaches for making a mistake or losing a game.
7. I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the players ahead of any personal desire I have for my child to win.
8. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss or confront officials and/or coaches during or immediately following a game.
9. I will arrange through the Team Manager for a meeting with the Coach(es) at an agreed upon time and place, after an initial 24 hour cool down period.
10. I will ensure a sports environment for my child that is free of drugs and alcohol and, I will refrain from the use of them at events.
11. I will follow all team policies related to social media and will adhere to the Ringette BC social media guidelines and policies.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Player \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**From Ringette Canada: Parents/Guardians of Ringette Canada Members and Spectators at events will:**

- a. Encourage athletes to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence;
- b. Never ridicule a participant for making a mistake during a performance or practice;
- c. Provide positive comments that motivate and encourage participants continued effort;
- d. Respect the decisions and judgments of officials, and encourage athletes to do the same;
- e. Never question an officials' or Ringette Canada staffs' judgment or honesty;
- f. Respect and show appreciation to all competitors, and to the coaches, officials and other volunteers who give their time to the sport.
- g. Keep off of the playing area, do not interfere with play.