AGREEMENT TO THE COACH’S CODES OF ETHIC AND
LETTER ACKNOWLEDGING THE COVID-19 RISK

Extract of the book of the administrative regulations of Hockey Quebec 2020/2021

Name of the Team: 
Division: 
Class: M.H.A.

Article 10.4 of Hockey Quebec’s Administrative Regulations provides that each coach must read and sign the «Official’s Code of Ethics». Failure to respect or abide by an obligation in said Code of Ethics could lead to a sanction.

The coach must, first and foremost, be conscious of his role and the great influence he has on his players and entourage. He must assume a mission of education, of a physical, moral and social builder with his players and prove himself worthy of this responsibility. He must give more importance to the well being and interests of his players than the win / loss record. He must not consider sport and hockey as an end in itself but as an educational tool. To be successful, a coach must:

A. At all times, know, enforce and request the enforcement of amateur hockey rules, both written and unwritten and defend them strongly;
B. Respect the officials’ decisions, support them at all times and demand his players do the same;
C. Foster the development of sportsmanship within his players, encourage and reward it;
D. Minimize a loss by considering that a victory as one of the pleasures of playing hockey and instil such notion in his players;
E. Not forget that less talented players have a right and need to play as much as other players;
F. Respect opposing coaches, players and their fans and demand such from his players;
G. Teach his players that rules are there to protect them and establish standards that will help to determine a winner and a loser;
H. Have reasonable requirements from players with respect to the time and energy required for practices, games and other activities;
I. Remind them that the aim of amateur hockey is not to hurt the opponent or attempt to injure him by legal or illegal means;
J. Refrain from using drugs or alcohol in the exercise of its functions and make his players aware of problems related to the use of alcohol or drugs.
K. Use the social networks, Internet and other electronic medias in an ethical manner and respectful of my colleagues, coaches and directors; and do not use them to provoke opponents or another member of Hockey Quebec.
L. Ensure that everyone is treated in a respectful and fair manner, regardless of age, sex, colour, race, citizenship, ethnic origin, language, religion, disability, gender identity or sexual orientation.
M. Commit to comply with all the requirements and recommendations of the Quebec Public Health and other government authorities, and to put in place and adopt all necessary measures to do so in respect with the Federation's return to hockey plan.
N. Ensure that confidentiality is mandatory by all stakeholders of the association/organization in all cases, including those related to COVID-19.
O. Strictly observe, know and respect Hockey Quebec’s rules in respect to its return to hockey plan as well as public health rules.
P. Read and sign the Agreement to the Coach's Code of Ethics and the letter Acknowledging the Covid-19 risk.

Articles in bold are articles modified for the season 2020/2021
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The novel coronavirus, COVID-19 has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is known to spread mainly by contact from person to person. Consequently, local, provincial and federal governmental authorities recommend various measures and prohibit a variety of behaviors, in order to reduce the spread of the virus.

Hockey Québec and its members, which Minor Hockey Association/Organization is part of, commit themselves to comply with the requirements and recommendations of Quebec’ Public health and other governmental authorities, and to put in place and adopt all necessary measures to that effect. However, Hockey Québec and Minor Hockey Association/Organization cannot guarantee that you (or your child, if participant is a minor/ or the person you are the tutor or legal guardian of) will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, attending the Activities could increase your risk of contracting COVID-19, despite all preventative measures put in place.

By signing this document,

1) I acknowledge the highly contagious nature of COVID-19 and I voluntarily assume the risk that I (or my child, if participant is a minor/ or the person I am the tutor or legal guardian of) could be exposed or infected by COVID-19 by participating in Hockey Québec or Minor Hockey Association/Organization activities. Being exposed or infected by COVID-19 may particularly lead to injuries, diseases or other illnesses.

2) I declare that I (or my child, if participant is a minor/ or the person I am the tutor or legal guardian of) am participating voluntarily in Hockey Québec or Minor Hockey Association/Organization activities.

3) I declare that neither I (or my child, if participant is a minor/ or the person I am the tutor or legal guardian of) nor anyone in my household, have experienced cold or flu-like symptoms in the last 14 days (including fever, cough, sore throat, respiratory illness, difficulty breathing).

4) If I (or my child, if participant is a minor/ or the person I am the tutor or legal guardian of) experience, or if anyone in my household experiences any cold or flu-like symptoms after submitting this declaration, I (or my child, if participant is a minor/ or the person I am the tutor or legal guardian of) will not attend any of Hockey Québec or Minor Hockey Association/Organization activities, programs or services until at least 14 days have passed since those symptoms were last experienced.

5) I have not (or my child, if participant is a minor/ or the person I am the tutor or legal guardian of), nor has any member of my household, travelled to or had a lay-over in any country outside Canada in the past 14 days. If I (or my child, if participant is a minor/ or the person I am the tutor or legal guardian of) travel, or if anyone in my household travels, outside Canada after submitting this declaration, I (or my child, if participant is a minor/ or the person I am the tutor or legal guardian of) will not attend any of Hockey Québec or Minor Hockey Association/Organization activities, programs or services until at least 14 days have passed since the date of return.

I HAVE SIGNED THIS DOCUMENT FREELY AND WITH FULL KNOWLEDGE.

Name of participant (print)  Name of parent/tutor/ legal guardian (print)
(if participant is minor or cannot legally give consent)

Signature of participant  Signature of parent/tutor/legal guardian

Place / Date: ____________________________________________