



## **MPMHA U11 - U18 Club League Playbook**

Welcome parents, guardians, coaches, volunteers, and players to the 2024-25 minor hockey season.

All players who are playing club league for the season will be a part of the Metro Club Hockey League (formerly known as Interlocking House League).

For more information on the MCHL, please feel free to visit their website:

[Home - Metro Club Hockey League \(mchl.ca\)](http://mchl.ca)

### **2024 Age Divisions:**

U11 - 2015, 2014

U13 - 2013, 2012

U15 - 2011, 2010

U18 - 2009, 2008, 2007

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## **Mount Pearl Minor Hockey - Player Parent Agreement 2024-25**

The following are the terms by which the undersigned player and their parent/guardian agree upon their acceptance of a position on a hockey team with the Mt. Pearl Minor Hockey Association (MPMHA).

This document is to be read, discussed with your child(ren), and agreed to by a parent or guardian before the registration process.

### **Expected Conduct of Players, Coaches and Parents**

- Players must be well-behaved during any activities with or caused by their participation in MPMHA or Affiliated League. It is a coach's right to discipline a player for behavior, which is judged to be unacceptable. Should there be future



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instances of such behavior, the player in question may be further disciplined by the Grievance and Discipline Committee.

- A player's parent's behavior, which is judged by the Discipline Committee to be abusive or intimidating toward a player, coaching staff members, other parents, executive member associated with MPMHA or any other hockey association, or any game official shall be dealt with severely and may result in the members of the player's family being suspended from all activity with MPMHA and the future refusal to register any members of that family.
- Players will not use or be under the influence of alcohol, illegal drugs, banned substances, or smoke/vape while involved with activities associated with or caused by their participation in MPMHA.
- Players, Coaching staff, or Association members shall treat each other, opposing players, coaches, and game officials with respect and show good sportsmanship at all times.
- Zero tolerance for bullying.
- Players, Coaching staff members or Association members will not damage rink property and follow rules for all rinks.
- Players and Coaching staff shall not gamble for money during any activities associated with or caused by their participation in MPMHA. Please note: Fundraising events are not considered to be a form of gambling. Any and all fundraising has to be approved by the MPMHA board of directors and follow fundraising guidelines.
- Teams are to effectively communicate an acceptable drop-off time for their players before games and practices where 100% supervision is present in the dressing room.
- Cooling Off Period:
  - MPMHA requires all members to respect the 24-hour cooling-off period. Parents/guardians will not approach coaches immediately after a



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game/practice to discuss said game or practice. Parents, coaches, and team officials will also observe a 24-hour cooling-off period from the end of any game/practice. After this period, communication may be brought to a team manager or division director. The team manager is always the first line of communication and they will bring up all inquiries to the coach. Parents/guardians are asked to not email coaches directly. If further action regarding any situation is required, it may be brought to the MPMHA board. Parents/guardians are also not permitted to approach the ice, benches, referees room, or dressing room during games or practices with the purpose of airing grievances.

### **MPMHA Electronic Devices in Locker Room Policy**

- MPMHA will strictly follow the rules enforced by Hockey NL.
- Hockey NL believes some uses of technology constitute an invasion of an individual's privacy. This will not be tolerated by MPMHA and Hockey NL.
  - "A large proportion of devices are manufactured with cameras that can take photographs and video, while further allowing their sharing electronically, without permission during regular hockey activities in change rooms, shower areas and/or bathrooms. If someone uses a device this way and captures a photo or video image, this may constitute a violation of personal privacy but may also be a criminal offense."
  - "Hockey NL prohibits the use of any form of Camera, Video Camera, Camera Phone, or other portable digital device in any recreational facility change rooms for the purpose of taking photographs or videos unless permission has been granted by the respective Division Chair or designate."
  - "These devices may be used for personal music or playing team music."



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- "It is the responsibility of league/team officials and Associations to monitor and control the use of such devices."
- "Any complaints concerning failure to comply with this policy shall be investigated under the Complaints and or Maltreatment procedures."
  - [Maltreatment-Policy.pdf \(hockeynl.ca\)](#)

### **Payment of Fees**

All registration fees are set by the MPMHA Executive annually. Payment of fees is to be made in a timely fashion as established by the Treasurer and Bookkeeper, but in no case shall be outstanding past December 15th of the appropriate season. Acceptance of this agreement shall mean that acceptable arrangements for payment have been made with the Treasurer and Bookkeeper.

### **Staff Responsibilities: Club League Teams**

#### **Head Coach's Responsibilities:**

- Conduct yourself in a professional manner at all times as you are a representative of MPMHA.
- Ensure **all** communication between coaches, House League director, board members, parents, etc is done in a respectable manner.
- Understand that coaching is a commitment and with it comes expectations that continued development of skills will be completed through available training.
- **Must** attend development or informational sessions as identified by MPMHA.
- Monitor player participation at games and practices. This will be used when nominating potential award winners.
- There must be a member of the coaching staff in the dressing rooms with the team at **ALL** times and coaches cannot leave the dressing room until all players are gone.
- Coaches **MUST** follow MPMHA 'fair play' guidelines at ALL times.
- Coaches of the 'home' team are responsible for arranging timekeepers. These timekeepers must come from the list provided by MPMHA.
- Serve as an official spokesperson on behalf of the team.



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- Coordinate the delegation of responsibilities to the Assistant Coach(es) and Manager.
- Plan on-ice practice drills/skills in consultation with the Technical Director. Share all plans with all coaching staff. The home team is responsible for running the team's practice.
- Ensure all team members uphold the rules and regulations of MPMHA.
- Submit scores to the House League Director after each game. This is critical and should not be overlooked.
- Ensure 'call ups' are handled in a fair manner.
- Responsible for filing an Injury Report immediately after the game in the event of an injury to one of their players.

### **Manager's Responsibilities:**

- Conduct yourself in a professional manner at all times as you are a representative of MPMHA.
- The Manager and the Administrator for MPMHA must both sign off on a form confirming jerseys distributed at the beginning of the season, including jersey numbers. All jerseys must be accounted for at year-end. In addition, the Manager will collect jersey deposit cheques or credit card numbers and turn them over to the MPMHA Administrator.
- Arranging name bars for team jerseys and ensuring that name bars are **NOT** glued on. The House League director can point you to the correct contact for name bar application.
- Ensure each parent fills in a player medical form which must be present with the team manager (or designate) at all times when the player is involved in practices or games.
- Ensure equipment is available when it should be available (Spare jerseys for conflict colors, medical forms, first aid kit, etc.)
- Act on the direction of the team head coach and report directly to the team head coach.
- Act as a liaison between Coaches and Parents.
- Assist coaching staff with activities outside of actual practices.
- Responsible for collecting the jerseys at the end of the year and returning them to the office with a team list. This must be done before the year-end banquet.
- Responsible for communicating to parents all games and practices.



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- Responsible for completing and filing a Team Travel application (minimum 1 week in advance) when attending a tournament. This document must be filed through your House League director. This is important to ensure players are covered under player insurance.

### **Complaint Procedures**

- MPMHA requires all members to respect the 24-hour cooling-off period. Parents/guardians will not approach coaches immediately after a game/practice to discuss said game or practice. Parents, coaches, and team officials will also observe a 24-hour cooling-off period from the end of any game/practice. After this period, communication may be brought to a team manager or division director.
- The team manager is always the first line of communication and they will bring up all inquiries to the coach. Parents/guardians are asked to not email coaches directly. If further action regarding any situation is required, it may be brought to the MPMHA board.
- Complaints will be brought to the board by the appropriate division manager.