

Calgary AA Ringette Code of Conduct Pledge for **Parents**

The overall focus for athletes participating in sports should promote and enhance the development of healthy and positive values towards themselves, other players, officials, coaches and other team staff. As parents there is a high level of responsibility to model and teach the essential elements of character building and ethics in order to assist athletes in achieving a level of behaviour that is consistent with Ringette Alberta's principles and core values.

Parents Have A Responsibility To:

- Support and encourage youth in a manner that is respectful of their ability, age, and overall dignity.
- Encourage and teach youth to play by the rules of the game and to resolve conflict that is respectful of the dignity and worth of teammates, officials, opponents and team officials.
- Encourage and teach youth to strive to be the best they can be and always be a team player.
- Support and teach youth to treat other players, officials and spectators with respect and fairness regardless of but not limited to gender, religion, place of origin, sexual orientation, political beliefs or socio-economic status.
- Respect the officials and their authority during and after games and never confront an official.
- Be(along with any invited guests) a positive role model for youth by encouraging sportsmanship, showing respect and courtesy and demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game and practice.
- Recognize and acknowledge good plays/performances from both teams.
- Cooperate with team staff and other parents to achieve common goals and respect the values, skills, and knowledge they might bring to the team.
- Respect the dignity of coaches, team staff, officials and players, refraining from any public criticism or behaviour that would constitute physical or verbal harassment.
- Respect and show appreciation for the volunteers who donate their personal time to benefit youth.
- Work with and support team officials in a manner that is respectful of their dignity and worth.
- Encourage and teach youth play the game in a manner that is safe, fun and positive.

- Observe a “24- hour cooling off period” before I discuss any issues that arise with coaching or team officials.

I have read and understand the above mentioned responsibilities and agree to conduct myself in a manner that adheres to the standards established in the Code of Conduct.

Player Name (Please Print)

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print)

Parent/Guardian Signature
