



## PLAYERS CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

As a player of Peel Hockey, or playing in a Peel Hockey competition, you are required to comply with this policy. You must meet the following requirements in regard to your conduct and in any role you hold within Peel Hockey or Club.

1. Play by the rules at all times and ensure that the game of hockey is not brought into disrepute by your actions.
2. Behave in a sporting manner at all times to all players, officials and spectators.
3. Never argue with an umpire.
4. Do not show unnecessary obvious dissension, displeasure or disapproval (by action or verbal abuse) towards an umpire or match official as a consequence of his or her decision or generally;
5. Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials and sledging other players, deliberately distracting or provoking an opponent are not acceptable or permitted behaviours in hockey;
6. Work equally hard for yourself and your teammates. Your team's performance will benefit and so will you;
7. **Be a good sport.** Do not engage in inappropriate and/or physical contact with players or officials during the course of play.
8. Treat all participants in hockey as you like to be treated. Do not bully or take unfair advantage of another competitor;
9. Cooperate with your coach, teammates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition;
10. Participate for your own enjoyment and benefit, not just to please others;
11. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion;
12. Don't do anything which adversely affects or reflects on or discredits the game of hockey, team, competition, sponsor, official supplier or licensee, including, but not limited to, any illegal act or any act of dishonesty or fraud;
13. Refrain from using obscene, offensive or insulting language and/or making obscene gestures which may insult other players, officials or spectators;

Directors, Presidents, Coaches and Managers are responsible for ensuring that this Code of Conduct is met at all times.