



SOUTH AFRICA SCHOOLS HOCKEY



CODE OF CONDUCT: PARENTS AND SUPPORTERS

The playing of School Sport is primarily of an educational nature. The aim of school sport is to encourage participation and to engender in players the highest standards of sportsmanship, self-discipline and control. Parents and supporters need to support these ideals in the way in which they behave on the sidelines.

Thus, at matches

- + Positive support will be appreciated.
- + Help your child to recognize good performance, not just results.
- + Encourage your child to learn the rules and play within them.
- + Discourage unfair play and arguing with officials.
- + Never force your child to take part in sport.
- + Be supportive of all the players on the team.
- + Refrain from criticising the opposing team.
- + Encourage your child to be a team player.
- + Give positive feedback.
- + Respect the officials.
- + Respect the role of the coach and refrain from coaching your child during games.
- + Use correct and proper language at all times.
- + Parents and supporters are requested to refrain from directing negative comments at umpires, any other officials, players or opposition supporters.
- + Parents and supporters are asked to position themselves well clear of the side lines and refrain from standing or sitting behind the goals.
- + Parents are instructed to stay out of the Technical table area for the duration of the Tournament (area where players and officials are seated).
- + Parents and spectators are subject to the Control and regulations imposed by the Tournament Director and/or Tournament Officer.
- + In the event of an Injury, parents and supporters are not allowed on the field and must stay out of the Technical Table area. The Manager of the team will be called onto the field by the umpire and the Tournament Director/Officer will communicate with you – you have given consent to the Manager to act in 'loco parentis' for the duration of the Tournament.
- + Parents are not to interfere with the Coach's team selection for any game.

Parents and spectators should take up any concerns with the Tournament Director. Please do not approach individual officials, umpires and coaches. I would respectfully request that all spectators and supporters ensure that this Code of Conduct is adhered to so as to make the Tournament enjoyable for all.

I, _____ Parents of _____
(Child's Name) have read & understand the contents of this document and will adhere to it.

Signed _____

Dated: _____

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR