

## **Athlone Hockey Club Code of Conduct Policy**

### **Player Code of Conduct**

- Players are entitled to:
  - Feel safe and to be safe
  - Have fun and enjoy hockey
  - Be listened to and be encouraged to participate in all activities
  - Be treated equally, with dignity and with respect
  - Participate in inclusive training session regardless of disability, gender, religion, social class, race etc...
  - Be free from bullying
  - Experience hockey and competitions at a level at which they feel comfortable themselves and without pressure
  - Make complaints and have them dealt with in a confidential manner
- Players are expected to:
  - Behave in an appropriate and sporting manner at all times
  - Respect team member and opponents
  - Respect team coaches and managers
  - Refrain from the use of foul/abusive language or gestures
  - Play fairly at all times and by the rules o Abide by the rules of the club/school/province
  - Never bully
  - Respect the spirit of fair play
  - Treat others with respect at all times e.g. managers/umpires/coaches
  - At all times to promote the reputation of Hockey as a sport
  - To prevent any behaviour that would bring Hockey into disrepute

### **Disciplinary Action**

Player discipline will be progressive and will commence with warnings, increasing to reduction of play. At each stage the coach will confer with the player/manager and parents to ensure that all are aware of the circumstances and consequences.

First instance - Verbal warning

Second instance - Report to parent

Third instance - One weeks suspension

Fourth instance - Official Report to Committee

### **Parents Code of Conduct:**

- Respect the rules and procedures set down within the club/organisation
- Supervision by parents in line with health and safety legislation
- Encourage and support participation and accomplishments
- Respect team coaches and managers
- Respect the officials and their authority at all times
- Never demonstrate abusive/threatening behaviour or language.
- As match day supporters parents should respect all personnel within the Hockey club/organisation including coaches, managers and umpires. Please be mindful that you are a role model for your child and maintain the highest standards of conduct when interacting with young people, other parents, officials, supporters and organisers