



SOUTH AFRICAN SCHOOLS HOCKEY

CODE OF CONDUCT: MANAGERS AND COACHES

The tremendous role of the coach and the manager in preparing a team for this event, and being prepared to take responsibility for these children for the duration of this event, is greatly appreciated.

The manager needs to acquaint himself/herself with the event rules, and to see that all members of his/her team comply with these.

As a coach or manager may be new to an event of this nature, a number of points need to be made for the record:

During a match

Remember that players will take their cue from the way you behave on the bench

- there may be no smoking or drinking of alcohol while on the team bench.
- Unsavory remarks towards players, opponents and officials are unacceptable, as is bad language.

Off the field

- Bad language is unacceptable.
- Regions will be held liable for any damage caused by their representatives to hostels and other private property. The manager needs to take responsibility for his/her team's behaviour, and to make it clear that vandalism will not be tolerated.
- Hostel/hotel rules must be strictly adhered to.
- Team initiation is unacceptable, as per the SA Schools Act

Managers and coaches need to behave appropriately at all times. Any report of misconduct, either on and off the field, will be heard by a Disciplinary Committee as constituted by the Tournament Director. At the discretion of the Tournament Director, a manager or coach may be removed from the bench during a match, or may even be removed from the event. If incidents come to light subsequent to a event, these will be referred to the SASHOC Executive for investigation, and could result in individuals being banned from SASHOC events in the future.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR



PROTECTING OUR **KIDS** DOING THE RIGHT THING

All children have the right:

- To a **safe & healthy environment**
- To **play** in a setting **free from all forms of abuse** (physical, emotional, and sexual) hazing, violence & neglect
- To **qualified** program leaders.
- To **play** under the **care of coaches & other adults** who **pass background checks** & are **trained in key competencies**
- To **developmentally** appropriate play
- To play at a **level commensurate with their physical, mental & emotional maturity** & their **emerging athletic ability**



Don't be silent.
Blow the whistle on Abuse!





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KEEPING KIDS SAFE IN HOCKEY

Here's what you need to know:

What is Safeguarding: Safeguarding is the action that is taken to promote the welfare of children and protect them from harm.



A child means any person under the age of 18



Children need the right help at the right time to address risks



Remember "it could happen here" where safeguarding is concerned



We are ALL responsible for the safeguarding of our kids.

What Do I Need to do



Always Act in the best interest of the child. Never promise confidentiality



Know how to identify children who may benefit from early intervention



Know the different types of abuse and neglect so you can identify children who may need help

