

GGSHA Coach Consent Letter

As a coach you are one of the most important elements in youth street hockey. You must be familiar with the concepts, goals, and philosophies of youth street hockey. The knowledgeable, team oriented coach brings success to their program which not only reflects on their own team, but the teams within the league.

The youth coach is concerned with the player's grades, citizenship and how effective his/her coaching is to the participants. While winning as well as losing is a part of street hockey, a great emphasis must be placed upon sportsmanship and the overall attitude of the team.

The youth coach realizes they are not just a coach to their team, but that their conduct on and off the rink relies on their ability to positively impact their team, as well as those of the opposing teams. Teach teamwork, co-operation, discipline and demand hard work. Strive to make practice and games a fun and rewarding experience they will enjoy and be eager to return to next year.

Youth coaches must keep themselves informed and up to date on the latest training techniques, drills, isometrics, and stretching exercises used for developing young bodies. Know the proper way to prevent injury and also, have a general knowledge of first aid.

Coaches may participate in the rule making process by submitting suggestions, in writing, to the GGSHA Board of directors.

You expressly agree that your position as a coach with in GGSHA is a **PRIVILEGE NOT A RIGHT**. **GGSHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS has the right to WITHDRAW such privilege at any time.** You HEREBY AGREE TO DEFEND, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS GGSHA, AFFILIATES AND/OR THEIR RESPECTIVE DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, OR AGENTS FROM AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS AND EXPENSES, INCLUDING ATTORNEYS' FEES, ARISING OUT OF YOUR PARTICIPATION AS A COACH.

I have read and understand the affiliate Association and GGSHA philosophies and rule book. I agree with the objectives in the above publications and will, at all times, set a positive example for the youth that will lead to their development as good athletes and responsible citizens.

As a condition of volunteering, I give permission for GGSHA to conduct a background check on me, which may include a review of sex offender registries, child abuse and criminal history records. I understand that, if appointed, my position is conditional upon the league receiving No inappropriate information on my background. I also understand that, regardless of previous appointments, GGSHA is not obligated to appoint me to a volunteer position. If appointed, I understand that, prior to the expiration of my term, I am subject to suspension by the President and removal by the Board of Directors for violations of GGSHA policies or principles.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____