

**Truro and Are Minor Hockey Association  
Policy/Procedure**

<b>SUBJECT</b> <b>Coaching</b>	<b>TITLE</b> <b>Fair Play Code</b>
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<p><b>POLICY</b></p> <p>Fair Play is a program introduced into minor hockey to enhance and promote SAFETY and RESPECT and a positive environment in minor hockey for all participants.</p>
<p><b>PURPOSE</b></p> <p>Fair Play has five basic principles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- respect the rules</li> <li>- respect the opponents</li> <li>- respect officials and their decisions</li> <li>- have everyone participate</li> <li>- maintain self control at all times</li> </ul> <p>Fair Play encourages and expects all players on all teams to be as competitive as possible.</p>
<p><b>STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE</b> will be the following:</p> <p><u>FAIR PLAY (REP TEAMS):</u></p> <p>Players/Goalies are to be played equally with only one exception. In the last 5 minutes of a “Meaningful Game”, coaches may shorten the bench. A “Meaningful Game” is one that could get you in the crossovers of a tournament thereby getting all players one or two more games. This may include any games leading to and including Provincial playdown games. The foregoing also applies to Goalies.</p> <p><u>FAIR PLAY (HOUSE LEAGUE/NOVICE/Initiation):</u></p> <p>Plain and Simple - Equal Ice time for everyone- EVERY GAME!</p> <p>Positives of Fair Play:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased safety, respect and fun for all</li> <li>• Increased positive team unity</li> <li>• More appropriate spectator behavior</li> <li>• Decreased “Win at all Cost” attitude</li> </ul>

- Increased positive on-ice behavior
- Increased good sportsmanship
- More parents become supporters with positive attitudes
- Fair ice time for all players
- New participants are drawn to the game by the positive aspects of fair play
- Refocusing the intent of minor hockey as a positive program for all participants

#### **PLAYER'S GUIDELINES**

- All players will abide by the team dress code as specified by the coach.
- School takes precedence over hockey therefore if a player is suspended from school they are also suspended from TAMHA.
- When scored upon players will support their goalie and commit to working harder to help them.
- Players are responsible for their own equipment and will ensure that it is complete, safe and in good condition.
- Players shall participate in every game and every practice except in case of illness, injury or school events. If a player must miss a game or practice the team manager must be notified as early as possible.
- Players must remember that they are representing their team, association, league and their town.
- Players must be well behaved at all times in public places especially on the road.