

## Mackenzie Minor Lacrosse Association Code of Conduct for Athletes

The overall experience for athletes participating in sports should promote the development of healthy and positive values and attitudes towards themselves, peers, officials, and coaches. The following Code of Conduct has been developed to aid athletes in achieving a level of behaviour consistent with the athletes becoming well-rounded, self-confident and productive leaders who best represent the Province of British Columbia in the Sport of Lacrosse.

## Athletes have a responsibility to:

- 1. Treat everyone fairly within the context of his or her activity, regardless of gender, place of origin, race, sexual orientation, religion, political belief or economic status.
- 2. Consistently display high personal standards and project a favourable image of lacrosse and of the lacrosse player.
  - Refrain from public criticism of fellow athletes, coaches and officials.
  - Abstain from the use of tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, as well as obtain or use any substances prohibited by Federal or Provincial Law.
  - Adhere to the guidelines provided by the Canadian Centre for Drug-Free Sport and abstain from the use of all Banned substances and methods.
  - Refrain from vandalism and personal misconduct; to abstain from any malicious damage to property or persons.
  - Abstain from personal misconduct causing harassment of participants, officials, coaches or spectators. To include social media or in a practice situation or game.
- 3. Treat opponents and officials with respect, both in victory and defeat.
- 4. Uphold the rules of Box Lacrosse and the spirit of those rules.

## **ATHLETES MUST:**

- Respect and maintain the dignity of coaches, officials and fellow athletes; verbal or
  physical behaviours that constitute harassment or abuse are unacceptable. This is to
  include social media and online bullying of other players, officials or coaches of your
  lacrosse team and association.
- 2. Never advocate or condone the use of alcohol, drugs or banned performance enhancing substances or methods.
- 3. Abide by all team rules of mandatory attendance at team meetings, practices, games and curfews.

Consequences for breaking any team rules or the code of conduct will result in the athlete being immediately sent home at the parent's expense and the possible suspension from practices and or/games at the discretion of MMLA.

## There will be a zero tolerance level regarding the breaking of this Code

Athlete Signature:	
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Print Name:	
Date:	
	If under 19 years of age:
Parent/Guardian:	
Signature:	
Print Name:	