

## 7 - Code of Conduct 2018-2019 Season

# **ATHERSTONE ADDERS HOCKEY CLUB**

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### **Introduction**

This documentation is intended to highlight the commitment of Atherstone Adders Hockey Club to an effective Code of Conduct.

### **Definitions**

#### **Club / The Club**

Club or The Club is defined as Atherstone Adders Hockey Club.

#### **Officers / Club Officers**

Officers or Club Officers are defined as members of Atherstone Adders Hockey Club General Committee.

#### **Senior Members**

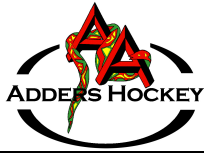
Senior Members are defined as fully paid up, subscribed, playing and non-playing members of Atherstone Adders Hockey Club, whether they be male or female, at an age of 18 years and over.

#### **Junior Members**

Junior Members are defined as fully paid up, subscribed, playing and non-playing members of Atherstone Adders Hockey Club, whether they be male or female, at an age of 17 years and under.

#### **Parents / Carers**

Parents / Carers are defined as parents, guardians or carers of fully paid up, subscribed, playing and non-playing junior members of Atherstone Adders Hockey Club, whether they be male or female.



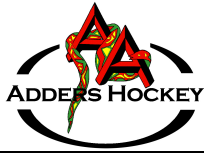
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### Senior Members

Atherstone Adders Hockey Club is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well being of all its members. The Club believes that it is important that members, coaches, administrators and parents associated with the Club should, follow the guidelines below at all times:

As a member of Atherstone Adders Hockey Club you are expected to abide by the following Club rules:

- All members must play within the rules and respect officials and publicly accept their decisions. Members should never argue with the officials.
- All Ladies who play in the WWHL and are 18+ years must provide a suitable photo of themselves for identity purposes.
- All members must respect their opponents.
- All members should keep to agreed timings for training and competitions, and inform their coach or Captain as soon as possible, if they are likely to be late.
- All members should wear clean, presentable and suitable kit for training sessions and must always wear official Club kit for matches.
- Members must pay Club subscriptions and match fees promptly.
- Junior members are not allowed to smoke on Club premises or whilst representing the Club at competitions.
- Junior members are not allowed to consume alcohol or drugs of any kind on the Club premises or whilst representing the Club.
- Senior members should not smoke or consume alcohol at the pitch or training areas.
- Correct and proper language should be used at all times.



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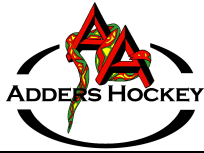
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#### **Junior Members**

Atherstone Adders Hockey Club is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all its members. The Club believes that it is important that members, coaches, administrators and parents associated with the Club should, at all times, show respect, be encouraged to be open at all times and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have about any aspect of the Club with the Junior Coordinator or other members of the Executive Committee.

As a member of Atherstone Adders Hockey Club you are expected to abide by the following Club rules:

- All members must play within the rules and respect officials and their decisions.
- All members must respect teammates and opponents.
- Members should keep to agreed timings for training and competitions or inform their coach or team manager as soon as possible, if they are going to be late.
- Members must wear suitable kit – Shinpads, Gumshield, Astroturf Boots and kit that is suitable for the weather conditions – for training and match sessions, as agreed with the coach/team manager.
- Members must pay any fees for training or events promptly.
- Junior members are not allowed to smoke on Club premises or whilst representing the Club at competitions.
- Junior members are not allowed to consume alcohol or drugs of any kind on the Club premises or whilst representing the Club.



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### Parents / Carers

Atherstone Adders Hockey Club expects all parents and carers to:

In general:

- Encourage your child to learn the rules and play within them.
- Discourage unfair play and arguing with officials.
- Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results.
- Never force your child to take part in sport.
- Set a good example by recognising fair play and applauding the good performances of all.
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes.
- Publicly accept officials' judgements.
- Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy their sport.
- Use correct and proper language at all times.
- Parents should report incidents to a Senior Coach or member of the Committee as soon as possible.

In particular:

- Arrive in good time for the commencement of the session; check that supervision is present and that the activity is going to take place before leaving your child. He/she must not be brought early to a session or allowed to play or roam unsupervised
- Ensure your child is properly attired and has extra clothing on cold winter evenings which should include tracksuit bottoms or similar. A plastic water bottle containing water or non-fizzy drink should also be provided to prevent dehydration during the activity.
- Shin pads are mandatory; mouth guards are highly desirable and mandatory for mini hockey.
- Parents/carers are expected to be on time to collect children following club activities – due allowances must be made for traffic conditions prevailing at the time

At times of inclement weather it is the parents/carers responsibility to decide whether their child should attend a particular planned activity. The club reserves the right to cut short or cancel any activity without notice where danger is likely to arise, for example in the case of a freezing or frozen playing surface