



**Tim Jardine Bantam Midget Showcase
November 8 – 12, 2018**

TEAM OFFICIAL WAIVER FORM

BCAHA CODE OF CONDUCT FOR TEAM OFFICIALS

This Code of Conduct was developed by the BCAHA to apply equally to the conduct of any/all Team Officials, including but not limited to coaches, Manager and Trainers, who are in direct contact with one another to establish and maintain a suitable environment for young athletes.

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The athlete/coach relationship is a privileged one. Coaches play a critical role in the personal as well as athletic development of their athletes. They must understand and respect the inherent power imbalance that exists in this relationship and must be extremely careful not to abuse it. Coaches must also recognize that they are conduits through which the values and goals of a sports organization are channeled. Thus, how an athlete regards his/her sport is often dependent on the behaviour of the coach. The following Code of Conduct has been developed to aid coaches in achieving a level of behaviour, which will allow for their athletes to become well-rounded, self-confident and productive human beings. Although this code is directed towards coaching conduct, it equally applies to other members of the "Team Leadership/OFFICIALS Staff", i.e. managers, trainers, equipment personal, etc. It assumes that these people act in cooperation with one another to construct a suitable environment for the athlete.

TEAM OFFICIALS HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO:

- 1) Treat everyone fairly within the context of his or her activity, regardless of gender, place of origin, colour, sexual orientation, religion, political belief or economic status.
- 2) Direct comments or criticism at the performance rather than at the athlete.
- 3) Consistently display high personal standards and project a favourable image of their sport and coaching.
 - a) Refrain from public criticism of fellow coaches, athletes, officials, and volunteers especially when speaking to the media or recruiting athletes.
 - b) Abstain from drinking alcoholic beverages when working with athletes
 - c) Discourage the use of alcohol in conjunction with athletic events or victory celebrations at the playing site

d) Refrain from the use of profane, insulting, harassing, or otherwise offensive language in the conduct of his/her duties

4) Ensure that the activity being undertaken is suitable for the age, experience, ability and fitness level of the athletes and educate athletes as to their responsibilities in contributing to a safe environment.

5) Communicate and co-operate with the registered medical practitioners in the diagnoses, treatment and management of their athletes' medical and psychological problems. Consider the athletes' future health and well being as foremost when making decisions regarding an injured athletes' ability to continue playing or training.

6) Recognize and accept when to refer athletes to other coaches or sports specialists. Allow athletes' goals to take precedence over their own.

7) Regularly seek ways of increasing professional development and self-awareness.

8) Treat opponents and officials with due respect, both in victory and defeat and encourage athletes to act accordingly. Actively encourage athletes to uphold the rules of their sport and the spirit of such rules.

9) In the case on minors, communicate and co-operate with the athletes' parents or legal guardians, involving them in management decisions pertaining to their child's development.

10) Be aware of the many pressures placed on athletes as they strive to balance the physical, mental emotional and spiritual aspects of their lives and conduct practices and games in a manner so as to allow optimum success.

TEAM OFFICIALS MUST:

1) Ensure the safety of the athletes with whom they work.

2) At no time become intimately and/or sexually involved with their athletes. This includes requests for sexual favours or threat of reprisal for the rejection of such requests.

3) Respect athletes' dignity; verbal or physical behaviours that constitute harassment or abuse are unacceptable.

4) Never provide under age athletes with alcohol; never encourage its use.

I have read and understand the above statements and agree to conduct myself at all times while participating in the Tim Jardine Bantam Midget Showcase 2018, hosted by SDMHA, in a manner that demonstrates the standards established in the Code of Conduct.

Name of Team Official: _____

Position: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____