

LBCSHL Coaches Code of Conduct & Responsibilities on the Bench

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First & Foremost: GOOD SPORTSMENSHIP is your primary objective to players, parents and fans. Remember you are Coach and held to a high degree of standards at all times. This includes and is not limited to the locker room, player's bench, hockey arena, and parking lot.

Respect is earned by giving respect towards one another. Please remember that yelling and screaming at the officials will most likely get you nowhere, while a calm collected voice and attitude may achieve better results.

COACHES & PLAYERS: The use of vulgar and abusive language is totally prohibited at any time especially while on the bench. Additionally, ANY body gestures deemed offensive to officials and fans are unacceptable.

Coaches are responsible for checking the score sheets with the scorekeeper prior to the start of each game and make any additions or scratches necessary according to LBC & USA Hockey rules. Also remember to mark a player that is injured so he can get credit for the game.

Assigned player numbers are not to change. Should the need arise due to a forgotten jersey; you need to inform the officials and scorekeeper of the change. The score sheet is to be noted with the new number in the appropriate column and the original number is NOT to be crossed out. Be advised that the opposing coach has the right to request proof that said player is who he/she is supposed to be.

An eight-goal non-embarrassment rule will be enforced in the League this year. Specifically, when a team goes up by eight or more goals, the team that is in the lead is expected to go into a numbered passing drill type of offence or other drill. This will serve multiple purposes. One is to hopefully limit embarrassment to the losing team. Second is to provide an opportunity for improvement to the winning team through drill execution in a game situation. Lastly it fosters respect and teaches compassion.

Coaches are responsible for their players and their actions. This includes and is not limited to the handshake line. To help contain detrimental behavior it is required coaches instruct their players to exit to the left at the end of the handshake line to avoid players from crossing paths with the other team.

Any changes to the scoring pattern on the official score sheet are to be made with officials prior to signing the score sheets immediately after the game. No further changes will be made after the score sheets are signed.

INFRACTIONS TO THESE RULES MAY LEAD TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION BY THE COMMISSIONER INCLUDING SUSPENSIONS OF COACHES AND/OR PLAYERS.

