



**STREETSVILLE TIGERS BANTAM (Born 2003)
TEAM RULES OF OPERATION
2017-2018 SEASON**

1. Game Procedures

- a. Parents are responsible for tracking all team game times and locations via the GTHL website.
- b. Players are to arrive at least **60 minutes** before game time and come prepared for team warm-up with loose fitting pants and appropriate running shoes. Players are to be fully dressed **15 minutes** before game time for the coaches' pre-game talk.
- c. If a player is regularly late for games as per the timing in 1b above, coaches cannot guarantee equitable playing time.
- d. The coaching staff is committed to equitable ice time for all players. That said, the coaches reserve the right to create/use special teams and to extend/shorten/eliminate shifts within the last five minutes of a game. Coaches may also withhold ice time for players to correct behavior issues (e.g., selfish penalties or similar actions) or to reinforce expectations for team play or individual hustle and contribution.
- e. Parents are asked to not enter the change room before or after games.
- f. Only personnel approved by the coaching/management staff may enter the gondola at Vic Johnston Arena during Tigers home games.
- g. Parents are encouraged not to book extended vacations during the season as a reduced roster size impacts the team's ability to field a competitive team. It is a team goal to not only make the GTHL playoffs, but advance beyond the opening rounds. To accomplish this goal, we must be able to field a complete team.

2. Practice Procedures

- a. Parents are responsible for tracking all team practice times and locations via notices from Team Snap or the team manager.
- b. Players are to be fully dressed and ready **10 minutes** before the start of practice.
- c. Team practices are mandatory unless specifically listed as optional. Players may miss games, practices, and team functions for illness, school or family matters. Each player will be allowed to miss a maximum of two practices during the regular season for non-illness, school or family matters. If a player misses a third practice, the player will sit for one period. If a fourth practice is missed, the player will sit for two periods. If a fifth practice is missed, the player will sit for an entire game.

3. Individual Conduct

- a. Players and parents are to respect teammates/players, coaches, opponents, parents and referees. Intimidation and bullying will not be tolerated. A first offense will receive a warning. A second offence will lead to a one game suspension.
- b. All parents, by virtue of their child's participation on the team, must acknowledge and agree to abide by the Parents' Code of Conduct per Schedule A.

4. Dress Code and Equipment

- a. Players are to wear their team track suit or black pants with team track or winter jacket (depending on time of year) to all team practices, games or events. If a hat is worn, it must be a Tigers baseball hat or toque.
- b. Players are responsible for ensuring that all of their equipment is in their hockey bag and brought to each game and practice. If a player forgets an essential piece of equipment that cannot be replaced or borrowed prior to the start of the game or forgets his game jersey, he will not participate in that game.
- c. Players are responsible for bringing their own water bottle to all practices. Individual water bottles will be provided during games and maintained by the team trainer.
- d. Parents are responsible for making sure that their child's equipment provides adequate protection and maximizes performance. Regular skate sharpening is especially important at this age. As a rule of thumb, skates should be sharpened once for every 5-7 hours of ice time.

5. Participation in Team Activities, Events and Fundraising Activities

- a. Players and parents are expected to participate in all planned team activities and events.

6. Communication

- a. If a player cannot make a game or a practice, parents are to make the head coach aware as soon as possible (via email, text, phone or in person). Noting an absence only in Team Snap is not an acceptable form of notification as coaches need to adjust practice and game plans accordingly.
- b. If a parent has any questions or concerns, please let the head coach or team manager know by email, phone or in person. Parents are asked to respect the "24-hour rule" when contacting the head coach or team manager about concerns.

7. Coaching Staff

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SCHEDULE A: Parents' Code of Conduct

All parents of 2017-2018 Streetsville Tigers acknowledge and agree to abide by the following code of conduct:

1. I will not force my child to participate in hockey.
2. I will remember that my child plays hockey for his or her enjoyment, not for mine.
3. I will encourage my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
4. I will teach my child that doing one's best is as important as winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game.
5. I will make my child feel like a winner every time by offering praise for competing fairly and trying hard.
6. I will never ridicule or yell at my child for making a mistake or losing a game.
7. I will remember that children learn best by example. I will applaud good plays/performances by both my child's team and their opponents.
8. I will never question the officials' judgment or honesty in public.
9. I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from children's hockey games.
10. I will respect and show appreciation for the volunteer coaches who give their time to coach hockey for my child.
11. I will remember that participants play hockey for their enjoyment. They are not playing to entertain me.
12. I will not have unrealistic expectations. I will remember that players are not professionals and cannot be judged by professional standards.
13. I will respect the officials' decisions and I will encourage participants to do the same.
14. I will never ridicule a player for making a mistake during a game. I will give positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort.
15. I will condemn the use of violence in any form and will express my disapproval in an appropriate manner to coaches and league officials.
16. I will show respect for my team's opponents, because without them there would be no game.
17. I will not use bad language, nor will I harass players, coaches, officials or other spectators.
18. I will show respect for the team and the Streetsville Tigers Hockey Club by not posting messages in on-line forums/chat rooms.