

# **TEAM FIRST**

## **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:**

We dedicate ourselves to the advancement of amateur hockey for all individuals in British Columbia through progressive leadership by meaningful opportunities and enjoyable experiences in a safe and sportsmanlike environment.

All too often our children are denied those enjoyable experiences because we fail to protect the environment and the very principles on which the game is built. Hockey is more than a game it is an education. It is also an important part of their upbringing and the success of future generations depends on how well we teach them today.

Membership is a PRIVILEGE not a right and with that membership come inherent responsibilities and obligations to protect the sport and most importantly the growth and development of our children.

All participants players, parents/spectators/volunteers, coaches, officials, and sport administrators are equally responsible PARTNERS in this endeavor. Every individual involved must examine his/her attitudes, actions and behaviors and make a personal commitment to the principles of Fair Play RESPECT, INTEGRITY and FAIRNESS. There can be no lesser expectation and no greater responsibility as a condition of membership in BCAHA.