

# Hustler Coaches Guidelines 2011

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## **Hustler Zone Fair Play Policy**

Coaches will monitor playing time to ensure that all players receive fair amounts of playing time

- Exceptions:
  - *Injured players*
  - *Discipline issues*
  - *Provincials and Western Canadian Championships - where playing time has been discussed with all Parents (Parents Meeting) and Players*

## **Parents Meeting**

All Teams must conduct a Parents Meeting to outline:

1. Team Goals; 2. Expectations for Players, Parents, Coaches; 3. Year Plan and schedule of events
- Parent Meeting dates **must be emailed to the Zone Commissioner** (Kelly Peevers at [bpееvers@shaw.ca](mailto:bpееvers@shaw.ca))

*Parent Meeting should take place prior to the season – another Parent Meeting should be arranged if the Team qualifies for Westerns*

## **Evaluation Forms**

Coaches and Managers must ensure that all evaluation forms are filled out and returned to the Zone by the end of the season

- Coaches Evaluation from parents and players
- Player Evaluations from Coaches

## **Role Modeling and Respect for the Game**

- Coaches and Managers will not smoke or consume alcohol on or near the diamonds or practice facility
- Coaches shall not belittle any player – negative yelling at players will not be tolerated
- Coaches shall show respect for all officials and opposing players and coaches

***Any complaints of officials or opponents can be forwarded to our Zone Commissioner***

## **Respect for our Zone**

- Coaches need to be responsible and accountable for their actions and behaviors – any *significant* confrontation involving you, the Coach, needs to be reported by you, the Coach, to the Zone Commissioner
- Head Coaches are responsible for the actions and behaviors of assistant Coaches
- Coaches shall ensure that Hustler equipment is well kept and returned to in tact to James Enns at the end of the season – any equipment inquiries can be made to James
- Coaches will take full responsibilities for the facilities their Team uses
- Coaches are responsible for Team assigned diamond responsibilities at local tournaments
- Gym times are in demand – if Coaches have gym times booked and are unable to use these, please ensure to contact Stacy Dybvig (241-7744) to cancel

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<p><b>Team Responsibilities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Division 1 Teams will not play in a Division 2 or lower tournament or exhibition game (unless it is an age group above) without Zone consent</li> <li>• An adult female must be present at all times for female apparel fittings</li> <li>• Coaches shall not look after Team finances – the Zone has the right to request Team financial statements at any time</li> <li>• Coaches must ensure that Team Bank Accounts have dual signing authority – this is usually the Team Manager plus one other adult - Single person signing authority is not acceptable</li> <li>• Team purchases shall be decided by a majority vote and should be the same for all players</li> <li>• Zone colors for uniforms and apparel will be adhered – modifications need Zone approval</li> <li>• Coaches will wear Hustler apparel for all Games – League, Tournament, Provincials etc</li> </ul>
<p><b>Volunteer Responsibilities</b></p> <p>Coaches must ensure that adult volunteers from their Team are available to prep diamonds when called upon by our Zone – the main events where volunteers are required are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hustler Tournament – June 3-5</li> <li>• Presidents Tournament – May 27-29</li> <li>• City Playoffs – June 24-26</li> </ul> <p><b>Important Note:</b> <i>Teams that qualify for Western Championships will not receive financial assistance from the Zone if their Volunteer Responsibilities to the Zone have not been fulfilled</i></p>
<p><b>Coaching Certification</b></p> <p>At least one Coach must have their complete Community Sport On-going Participation (old Level 1) if the Team participates in a provincial (not leading to a Western or National)</p> <p>At least one Coach must have their Competition Introduction (old Level 2) if the Team participates in any tournament leading to a Western or National Championship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Our Zone will reimburse those Coaches that complete these Coaching Levels</li> <li>• Coaching Level dates are posted on the SMSL website: <a href="http://www.smsl.ca/clinics.php">http://www.smsl.ca/clinics.php</a></li> </ul>
<p><b>Pick Ups for Westerns or Nationals</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-Zone Players that are picked up should be Pitchers only</li> <li>• 2 is the maximum <i>pick ups</i> for a Hustler Team</li> </ul> <p>Exceptions to these 2 points may be allowed, but must be approved by the Zone Commissioner</p>
<p><b><i>Any infraction(s) of the guidelines will be dealt with by the Hustler Zone Executive Committee. At any time, the Hustler Zone Executive can and will discipline and/or release Coaches for conduct deemed unbecoming of a Hustler Coach.</i></b></p>



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**Acknowledgement of Hustler Coaches Guidelines**

COACHES NAME (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

GIRLS \_\_\_ BOYS \_\_\_

LEVEL \_\_\_\_\_ DIVISION \_\_\_\_\_

COACHES SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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