

Fargo Moorhead Junior Derby

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Official's Code of Conduct

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1. Safety: It is my primary responsibility as an Official to keep all participants and spectators safe from harm.
 - a. I will perform gear checks before each game using the JRDA standard practice, and will not permit any skater wearing unsafe protective equipment to take the track.
 - b. I will check each skater for signs of injury or impairment during gear check and continuously while on the track. I will not hesitate to stop play to remove an impaired or injured skater from game play.
 - c. I will not force or pressure any skater to participate in any activity that they are uncomfortable performing. I will not permit anyone else to force a skater to perform such activities.
 - d. I will immediately inform the Head Official of any physical condition, disability, injury, illness, or any other circumstance or condition that may affect the safety and/or welfare of myself or any participant, or that may impact my officiating ability.
 - e. I will help maintain a safe environment off track at all times. All participants on skates should have protective gear on at all times. I will set a good example on and off the track.
2. Knowledge: I will stay informed and execute all procedures and penalty calls to the best of my ability based on the most current rules set. I will use best practices as set forth by the JRDA at all times when available, and my best judgment when not.
3. Impartiality: I will remain objective and impartial at all times while wearing my Official's uniform. I will conscientiously avoid even the perception of bias towards any team or league while in uniform.
 - f. I will fully disclose any and all team or league affiliations, memberships, and memberships/affiliations of immediate family members to the Head Official/Tournament Head and place faith in their judgment to staff me as they see fit and/or as objectively as possible.
 - g. I will execute all calls and procedures objectively and fairly.
4. Professionalism: I will project professionalism in my words and actions, on and off the track, at all times.
 - h. I will support and encourage all league members in adhering to the Codes of Conduct, and I will serve as a role model of appropriate behavior.
 - i. I will actively promote and model sportsmanship and safety on the track.
 - j. I will conduct myself to develop empowerment, emphasize motivation and enthusiasm, and celebrate each league member's abilities and individuality.
 - k. I will encourage a safe sports environment that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol. I will refrain from using drugs, alcohol, or tobacco at any youth sporting event, or while officiating in any capacity.
 - l. I will foster a welcoming, positive, drama-free learning environment for everyone, on and off skates.
5. Respect: I will respect those I interact with in my role as an Official, and will require them to respect me and my role as an Official.

By signing below I agree to the above:

Signature of Official: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Printed Legal Name of Official: _____