



**MOORETOWN MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION  
COMMUNICATION POLICY  
JUNE 2017**

**24 Hour Rule**

Mooretown Minor Hockey Association is committed to providing a positive learning environment where all individuals are treated with respect. Being a member of this association should be a positive, rewarding, and beneficial experience for all - players, parents, team officials, and volunteers. To ensure that all members of our association are treated fairly and with respect, we encourage everyone to communicate in a positive manner and to follow certain guidelines when discussing issues about practices and games and any other MTMHA activities.

Mooretown Minor Hockey fully endorses the Code of Conduct outlined in our Constitution and Conduct page, available on our website [www.mooretownminorhockey.com](http://www.mooretownminorhockey.com), and encourages all members to follow proper procedures when dealing with sensitive issues. We understand that hockey can be an emotional sport for many and we want to ensure that our players, members and team officials interact in a fair and safe environment. Unfortunately, there are always incidents when parties have acted in a negative and less than professional manner.

Unless there is an immediate safety issue, all board members, parents, team officials, and players, must wait 24 hours before any contact or discussion on the matter has been initiated. The 24-hour period is a time to "cool off" for all parties so things can be discussed in a calm, unemotional manner and not "in the heat of the moment".

Failure to abide by this guideline will result in the possible suspension from League Activities. A meeting with the RMO and Discipline Panel will be scheduled to determine the penalty.

As stated previously, Mooretown Minor Hockey endorses a positive and respectful environment for all members of our association. All parents, coaches, players, and volunteers are expected to communicate in a positive, professional manner for the betterment of all members. Statements and decisions made should be in the best interest of all players, the team and MTMHA.