



## Policy 5 – Team Dress Code

**Applies To:** All CMHA players, team staff, coaches, trainers, and on-ice volunteers during CMHA-sanctioned activities, including games, practices, tournaments, team travel, and fundraising events.

### Purpose

To establish a consistent standard of appearance for CMHA players and team personnel that promotes team identity, professionalism, and pride in representing the Clarington Minor Hockey Association. Dress codes foster cohesion, discipline, and a sense of belonging, while protecting the CMHA brand and public image.

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### Section 1 – Player Game Day Attire (Off-Ice)

#### 5.1 U10–U11:

- CMHA-approved warm-up suit
- CMHA-approved jacket and dress pants

#### 5.2 U12–U18:

- Suit and tie, dress shoes
- Dress shirt and tie, dress pants, dress shoes, CMHA-approved jacket

5.3 No baseball hats are permitted with game day attire - fedoras or weather appropriate hats are permitted.

5.4 In inclement or cold weather, **Toros toques** are the preferred winter headwear.

5.6 All players participating in pre-game warm-ups must wear safe and appropriate clothing for public viewing and effective warm-up. Only Toros-branded warm-up suits or shorts and shirts are permitted.

### Section 2 – Player Game Day Attire (On-Ice)

#### 5.7 All CMHA players must wear:

- Red helmets
- Shells
- Helmet stickers provided by CMHA. No other stickers may be added to helmets.
- \* Gloves with minimum 50% red colouration (red/blue combinations are acceptable)
- CMHA-approved game jerseys and matching socks

5.8 Players are responsible for purchasing their own game jerseys through the CMHA Equipment Director. Jerseys may be used for up to **2 seasons**, unless damaged, worn, or poorly fitting. Players entering their final year of Toros eligibility are exempt from this 2 season provision.

5.9 Players may not affix sponsor bars, crests, or any decoration to CMHA game jerseys.

5.10 Player numbers must be chosen from 1–98 , **excluding 36, 37, and 69**. At all levels jersey number **16 is retired** in honour of Mark Vandermeer.

5.11 Third jerseys and blue shells for tournaments must be agreed upon by the team through a vote with 60% majority and are not permitted for regular season or playoff games unless given permission by CMHA

5.12 Teams may offer sponsorship on practice jerseys provided it is agreed upon by the team. No individual player sponsorship is permitted.

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### **Section 3 – Player Practice Attire (On-ice)**

5.12 Players must wear:

- CMHA-issued practice jerseys
- Full CSA-approved equipment
- Matching team socks, if issued

5.13 Players must arrive and leave in appropriate outerwear. Walking through arenas in full gear (excluding skates/helmet during practice) is not permitted.

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### **Section 4 – Coaching Staff and Team Officials Attire**

5.14 Game Attire Head Coaches & Assistant Coaches:

- Dress shoes
- Dress pants
- Shirt and tie
- Coat of personal preference (no competitor logos or branding)

5.15 Game Attire for Head Trainer & Assistant Trainer:

- CMHA Approved Track Suit
- Proper Shoes to ensure you can safely attend to injured players on ice

5.16 Practice Attire:

- CMHA-approved or neutral warm-up suit
- Plain, professional appearance
- On-ice staff must wear **helmets (properly fastened while on ice)** and **gloves** (OMHA-mandated)

5.17 Trainers must wear attire that is both professional and functional for emergency response and mobility.

5.18 Coaches are not required to wear CMHA-branded clothing but **may not wear apparel with competitor branding**.

5.19 Coaches who fail to adhere to this policy may be subject to review by the CMHA Executive and may face disciplinary action up to and including suspension.

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## **Section 5 – Clothing Purchases & Branding**

5.20 CMHA teams must purchase apparel and warm-up gear only from the **approved supplier**. Team fines of up to \$1,000 will be imposed per offence.

5.21 Deviating from the approved vendor requires **written permission from the CMHA Equipment Manager**.

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## **Section 6 – Affiliated Player (AP) Jerseys**

5.22 Teams issued AP jerseys must return them **clean and in good condition** at the end of the season.

5.23 Teams failing to return AP jerseys in satisfactory condition will have the replacement cost **deducted from their final team refund**.

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## **Section 7 – Communication & Enforcement**

5.24 The Head Coach is responsible for outlining, communicating, and enforcing this policy with all players, staff, and families.

5.25 Repeated violations will result in:

- An immediate 1 game suspension for the head coach for a 1<sup>st</sup> offence
- An immediate 3 game suspension for the head coach for a 2<sup>nd</sup> offense
- Escalation to the GM of Hockey Operations or CMHA Executive whereby they will review a decision to terminate the head coach's position with the CMHA for a 3<sup>rd</sup> offense.

5.26 Exceptions may be granted for:

- Medical, religious, or cultural reasons (private discussion with coach or Admin Coordinator required)
- Travel logistics or school spirit days (coach pre-approval required)