

Dear Player and Parent:

We are very pleased that you have decided to try out for a competitive team within the Southern Region for the 2023/24 season. Being a member of a competitive ringette team requires a significant commitment from players and parents alike. This letter serves to acknowledge these commitments and makes our organizational expectations explicit. Please review them and return the signed letter **prior to your first tryout event**. Our hope is that being a part of the Southern Region is not just about excellent ringette, it's also about, **Building meaningful relationships and strength of character through team sport.**

Player:

I understand that in deciding to participate, I am making a year-long commitment to myself, my coaches, and my teammates, and I commit to:

- Always give my best effort during practices and games
- Always be ready to play and demonstrate good sportsmanship on the ice.
- Attending all team practices, games, and events
- Arriving by the time my coach expects me to arrive for all events.
- Giving notice and receiving permission from my coach in writing via email or text in the event that I am unable to attend a team event for any reason (including illness, vacation, school event and any/all other reasons)
- Respecting my teammates, my coaches, the referees, and opposing teams
- Making my first commitment to my team and my coaches that is, if I decide to play
 another sport/activity and there are conflicts between them and ringette (for any team
 event), I will choose to participate with my team in ringette first.
- Talking to my coach if I have a problem or a question.
- Practicing my skills at home as directed by my coach.

I understand that if I do not comply with these expectations, I should expect appropriate and reasonable consequences, including sitting out a practice, sitting out part of or a full game, and/or possibly being removed from the team.

Player Name (Printed)	 	
Player Signature		
Date		



Parents:

I/we understand that the commitment is a year-long commitment, and I/we will:

- Encourage my athlete to give their best effort on the ice.
- Encourage my athlete to develop good sportsmanship, by demonstrating good sportsmanship.
- Encourage my athlete to work on their skills at home.
- Help my athlete remember that their commitment is to the team, and if she decides to
 participate in another activity and there are conflicts between that and ringette, to prioritize
 ringette first.
- Encourage my athlete to show respect for their teammates, coaches, game officials, and opposing teams, by demonstrating the same.
- Allow the coaches to do their job and resist negative commentary during games or amongst parents.
- Engage with the coaching and/or management staff in a constructive and collaborative manner for any ringette questions, concerns, or clarifications.
- Ensure that my athlete arrives on time to practices and to games.
- Communicate with the Coach in writing and receive permission in writing if my athlete will be late or absent from a team event (including illness, vacation, school event and any/all other reasons)
- Fulfill all financial obligations in a timely manner (according to the payment schedule established at the beginning of the season).

I understand that if I do not comply with these expectations, I should expect appropriate and reasonable consequences to my athlete, including sitting out a practice, sitting out part of or a full game, and/or possibly being removed from the team.

Parent(s) Name (Printed)	
Parent(s) Signature	
Date	