



# Durham City Hockey Club



## Form of Consent and Indemnity

**Name of Young Person:** ..... **Age** .....

### DURHAM CITY HOCKEY CLUB - TRAINING AND MATCH DAYS

Effective Dates : From 7 January 2007  
To: 31 August 2007

I hereby consent to my \*son/daughter attending club training sessions and playing for Durham City Hockey Club on the understanding that my \*son/daughter will be properly supervised by an appointed senior member of the club. I further consent to the giving of such urgent medical or surgical treatments to my \*son/ daughter as may prove necessary during these activities.

In consideration of the person in charge of the training session/playing team agreeing to the inclusion of my \*son/ daughter , I hereby undertake to indemnify him/her and any other member of the club against any costs and expenses reasonably incurred by them or any of them on behalf of my \*son/daughter during these activities. Provided that such indemnity shall not extend to any claims, damages, costs or expenses against the risk of which the person in charge of the activity shall be entitled to be indemnified under any policy of insurance.

I agree to ensure that my son/daughter brings the appropriate equipment to participate in the training sessions and matches (eg. shinpads, gum shields, shoes etc). The game of Hockey involves the use of a hard ball and sticks, and therefore such protective equipment is essential.

I will make the necessary transport arrangements for my son/daughter to and from the training sessions and matches unless specific arrangements have been agreed with a senior club member in advance.

Name..... (Parent/Guardian\*)

Signed:.....)

Date: .....

Address:.....

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Telephone No.....

*To ring if it is necessary to contact parent/guardian)*

Any known Medical Condition (e.g.Asthma / Hayfever)

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Details of any regular medication being taken in respect of the above

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\* please delete as appropriate.

This form to be completed for all persons under 18 years of age.



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## **RE: Junior Consent Forms**

Dear Parent / Guardian,

We are again issuing consent forms to all junior members of the club. The purpose of the form is to ensure that both you and the club are fully aware of the responsibilities on all sides for the welfare of our junior members and so ensure their safety. Consent forms will be issued twice a year, to cover the period prior to Christmas and again for the period after the Christmas break.

Hockey is a potentially dangerous game involving the use of hard sticks and a solid ball, and whilst serious injury is rare, it is still a possibility. The use of consent forms will help us to protect your child and other club members by enforcing the mandatory use of the correct protective clothing and enabling our coaches, team captains and others to be proactive in applying safe practices during training sessions and games.

In addition to the above, the Club has taken on board the 'Child Safe' initiative being put forward by Durham Constabulary and others and the use of consent forms is one stage of this initiative. 'Child Safe' is an 'inclusive' campaign that will enable us to work more closely with you in order to ensure that your child not only enjoys his/her sport, but does so in a safe and protective environment.

You will notice that the consent form clarifies your responsibilities as a parent/guardian in relation to hockey activities. These include ensuring that your child has sufficient protective clothing - properly fitting shin pads and 'astro' trainers as a minimum and a gum shield. The club recommends the use of gum shields during training and matches. Parents may provide goal-keeping kit if desired, but it must be of a standard agreed suitable by the club for normal use. Alternatively, the club will undertake to provide goal-keeping kit of the right standard. Any junior attending a match or a training session **WILL BE REFUSED** if the correct safety equipment is not worn.

The Club sees it as your responsibility to ensure that your child is safely transported to and from training sessions and is also taken to / collected from the designated meeting points at the correct time on match days. It is vital that this is done, as the club cannot be held responsible for children who are left alone awaiting parents. It should also be noted at this point that a number of children await their parents in the car park at Maiden Castle after training sessions. Whilst convenient for the parent, this is not a suitable waiting area for children as it is very dark during the winter months. The Club recommends that juniors should wait within the perimeter fence of the astro pitch where there is sufficient lighting. Also be aware that at times of very cold weather, training or matches may be cancelled or finish early due to frozen pitches – parents will need to be proactive to ensure that their children are not left unattended on such occasions. This may involve waiting throughout a session.

Please ensure that you return the attached consent form duly completed and signed with your child at the next training session or game they are to take part in. Your child will be refused if the form is not returned or is incorrectly completed.

Yours Sincerely

**Miles Hudson**

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Chairman, DCHC