

TRAVEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Kettle Moraine Curling Club recommends the following guidelines for traveling with minor athletes to bonspiels, playdowns, and/or national championships. (Adopted from the USCA Safe Sport Handbook)

1. The coaches will communicate about all travel arrangements with parents/guardians and will encourage them to go with their children to events, particularly bonspiels, outside of KMCC. We know that this may be difficult at times but we encourage at least one parent or guardian in addition to a coach to be present as an adult representative to the children.
2. Those driving the club members should have the necessary safety requirements which will include a valid driver's license, proper insurance and a safe, well-maintained vehicle and they should follow all state and local laws.
 - Each parent should sign the permission slip supplied by KMCC giving permission to the driver/parent that they can drive their child.
3. Any adult - minor interactions should occur in an open and observable environment whenever possible.
4. Emergency contact information for each player should be readily accessible when travelling.
5. Pair same sex athletes of similar ages together in hotel rooms. If a coach must share a room with minor athletes of the same gender, written permission must be obtained from the parents/guardians. However, it is strongly advised that a coach not share a room with non-family member athletes (regardless of age). An adult should never be in a hotel room alone with an athlete.
6. To help ensure propriety of minor athletes, unaccompanied female athletes should not be allowed in rooms assigned to male athletes and male athletes should not be allowed in rooms assigned to female athletes. Exceptions may be acceptable in cases of siblings or cousins or when accompanied by a parent, coach, or legal guardian.
7. Coaches and parents should not go on side excursions with athletes without parental permission.