

The Milton Menace Billet
Policies and Guidelines
2023 – 2024





Milton Menace Billet and Billet Family Policies and Guidelines

Thank you for volunteering to billet a Milton Menace OJHL hockey player.

Billeting is a hockey tradition and is especially important at the elite level of hockey. This concept involves local host families providing a home to out-of-city or out-of-country players for the hockey season. The billet program allows these young men to complete their high school educations, take college preparatory classes while pursuing the next steps in their hockey career. It can be an extremely rewarding and exciting experience for anyone willing to open their home to elite hockey players who are committing to play for the Milton Menace.

The Milton Menace believes that one of the components of success is to provide a comfortable living environment for each of our billet players. The player you are hosting needs your guidance, support, and positive family environment to be successful. There are high expectations of these players both on and off the ice and added demands of these situations can create additional stress for them. As a result, we strive to find homes that provide a positive family environment. You are acting as his parents and are the primary adult influence in his life. We ask that you treat players as you would your own children – by supporting them in academic and athletic endeavors, imposing discipline when necessary, and players are strongly encouraged to embrace the challenges of moving into a new home and become actively involved with the family that has so generously welcomed them into their home.

Please read the information that follows as it outlines both what is expected from you and what you can expect from your billeted player.

Thank you, again, for opening your home and providing a positive environment for our players. It is our amazing host families who make our organization a success each year. Many of our families who have billeted in the past usually look back at their experience with fond memories and still keep in touch with their players as they move through the ranks of college/university and professional hockey.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact The Milton Menace.

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PROFILE INFORMATION

It is always helpful to have pertinent information close at hand as we make our way through the season. Included in this package you will find:

1. Host Family Information Profile
2. How to obtain a current Vulnerable Sector Check (required).

The following is included for you to view. The final paperwork will be sent to you when a player is assigned to you

1. Billet Player Information (to be completed by player)
2. Billet Player/Parents/Host Family Policies and Guidelines
3. Billet Agreement

Our hope is that by providing you this billet package, the rules of conduct expected by the program of the players both at the rink and off the ice will be clearly outlined. Our hope is that the billet experience is a positive one and allows you and your family to experience as little disruption in your home life while you provide the rich nurturing environment for the players of our organization.

Billets are expected to behave in a way that is conducive to promoting a positive and moral example to your player.

Billet host families will be kept up to date as much as possible regarding schedules and or changes of schedules/practices, off ice schedules, tournaments, team meetings, team notices, team travel itinerary, and other necessary information regarding your billet. Our hope is that as you house, feed and support your billet player that we can count on you to cheer them on from the stands as well when they have local games.



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HOST FAMILY PROFILE

LAST NAME: _____ FIRST NAME: _____

Cell phone: _____ Occupation: _____

Work outside the home: Yes – Full Time _____ Yes – Part Time _____ No _____

LAST NAME: _____ FIRST NAME: _____

Cell phone: _____ Occupation: _____

Work outside the home: Yes – Full Time _____ Yes – Part Time _____ No _____

Home phone: _____

FULL ADDRESS: _____

PRIMARY EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

LIST ALL OTHER MEMBERS OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD:

Name: _____ Age: _____ Male _____ Female _____

Name: _____ Age: _____ Male _____ Female _____

Name: _____ Age: _____ Male _____ Female _____

Name: _____ Age: _____ Male _____ Female _____

DOES ANYONE IN YOUR HOUSE USE TOBACCO PRODUCTS: YES or NO

ARE THERE ANY ALLERGIES IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD: YES or NO

PLEASE LIST: _____

COULD YOU TAKE A PLAYER WITH FOOD ALLERGIES: YES or NO

DO YOU HAVE PETS: YES or NO

PLEASE LIST TYPES (NAMES) _____

DO YOU HAVE FULLL WIRELESS INTERNET AVAILABLE: YES or NO

HOW MANY PLAYERS WOULD YOU LIKE TO HOST: _____

Will each player have their own bedroom: _____

Bathrooms can be shared only with another player or members of the household of like age/gender.



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VULNERABLE SECTOR CHECK

To complete a background check please go to the following website:

<https://www.haltonpolice.ca/en/services-and-reporting/record-checks.aspx#Vulnerable-Sector-Check->

Background checks are valid for three years.



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BILLET PLAYER PROFILE

PLAYERS FIRST NAME: _____ PLAYER'S LAST NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

MOBILE: _____ HOME: _____ WORK: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ AGE: _____

Allergies:

1. Are you allergic to animals? If YES, which animals? _____
2. Are you allergic to any food items? If YES, which food items? _____
3. Are you allergic to any medications? If YES, which medications? _____
4. Are any of these anaphylactic? _____ Do you carry an Epi Pen? _____

Transportation:

1. Will you have a car? _____
2. What type of vehicle will you have? (For parking requirements) _____

School/Job:

1. Will you be attending school? _____
 - a. What type of school will you attend? Public, Private, or Online: _____
2. Will you be working? If YES, where? _____

Do you require anything specific for your diet? If YES, what items? _____

Do you take any special medications? If YES, name of medication? _____

List any other pertinent information: _____

BILLET PLAYER PARENT PROFILE

MOTHERS FIRST NAME: _____ MOTHERS LAST NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

MOBILE: _____ HOME: _____ WORK: _____

FATHERS FIRST NAME: _____ FATHERS LAST NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

MOBILE: _____ HOME: _____ WORK: _____



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CURFEW

Players are to be in their own host family home by the following times unless otherwise agreed.

- Sunday through Thursday - 10pm
- Friday and Saturday - 11PM ****Note: Times may change at the coaches' discretion****

COMMUNICATION

It is the player's responsibility to make sure their host family and coaches are aware of where they are at all times. Player's may not come and go from home without communication and permission. Check with your respective family and ask if texting is okay or if they want you to call directly. If you do agree to text, make sure your text is confirmed by BOTH host family and the coaching staff. This also includes anytime you are not going directly home after practices and/or school.

SOCIAL BEHAVIOR

The player is expected to respect the host family's home and family members and to honor any general house rules. It is expected that the payer will maintain the cleanliness of their room and all common areas, wash their own clothes and respect the wishes of the host family.

SLEEPOVERS/ HANGING OUT with teammates

- Players may ONLY stay overnight or "hang out" in their own host home and at the homes of teammates.
- For school projects at a schoolmate's you will need both the contact home phone number and address of where you will be working on the project, as well as the parent's name that will be home.
- Players in school are encouraged to have ALL their homework caught up and have passing grades in ALL classes prior to spending leisure time "hanging out" with teammates.
- Players should not be at teammates homes without the host parents being home or prior permission from that family.
- When you are invited to "hangout" at a teammates home, please plan to bring your own snacks/food/drinks when you visit unless you have been invited by that family to come for a meal.

TRANSPORTATION

It is the player's responsibility to provide their own transportation to school/work. If they are not driving, take the bus/Uber. Practices and games can be coordinated with a teammate. Please do not have the billet family take on ALL the responsibility of giving rides. In all cases assist with gas money. It is not okay to use your billet family's vehicle.

If you are driving you must have a valid license, your car must be registered either in your home town or current city, and you must have car insurance, it is a law.



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CELL PHONES

Please provide your own cell phone.

SOCIAL MEDIA

The player will not post any content about the host family, including the address of the host family's home, on any social media or Internet websites without the host family's permission.

LAPTOPS/COMPUTERS

If you intend to use a computer during your time in Milton, please bring your own. Many billet families have wireless internet in their home and you may log into their wireless access. However, you may not use your billet family's computer. Unfortunately, with the prevalence of viruses and risk to unwittingly damaging a host family computer we ask that you do not use your host family's computer.

SCHOOL

It is the player's responsibility to keep up with schoolwork. It is also their responsibility to communicate with teachers to get your assignments ahead of time, and coordinate with them to take make-ups quizzes or tests as needed.

SMOKING, DRUGS, AND ALCOHOL

The possession or consumption of alcohol, tobacco or any illegal substances is strictly prohibited from the Family's Home or Property.

COVID-19

The player will follow all laws/rules involving COVID-19.

WHEN YOUR OWN FAMILY IS IN TOWN

Players, you may stay at the hotel with your family. Please make sure the coaching staff and your host family is aware that you will be staying with your own family. However, during these times you are still expected to attend all hockey practices, events and meet your school attendance/homework requirements.

- Families, we ask that you do not request to have your son's host family put you up while you are here.

WHEN YOUR HOST FAMILY IS OUT OF TOWN

Players may not stay at their host family's home while that family is out of town unless proper arrangements have been made. Contact the coaching staff and we will make alternative arrangements for you during your host family's absence.



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VIOLATIONS

The player acknowledges that any violations of this Agreement can result in the immediate expulsion of the player from the family's home and/or the Milton Menace program. In the event of loss of housing due to a violation of the agreed upon rules, it will become the responsibility of the player(s) to secure their own housing alternative at their own expense.

I/we understand and agree to the above guidelines and policies. By signing below, I am stating that I will adhere to these guidelines and policies for the entire season/school year that we are together.

Player Signature

Date

Player Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Host Family Signature

Date

Billet Agreement

If I require a billet host family, I agree to pay \$_____ a month billet fees to my billet host family due the first of every month and paid no later than the fifth of each month. I agree that if I am dismissed from the team for any reason that my billet arrangement will be terminated, and I am to vacate my billet residence at the soonest possible opportunity within 48 hours, with all my outstanding bills accounted for and paid.

Signed by Player: _____ Date: _____

Signed by Player Parent _____ Date: _____

Signed by Menace representative: _____ Date: _____