

2014 PROPOSED BY-LAWS AND RULES AND REGULATIONS CHANGES

Proposal 1 Submitted by Rick Fask District 7 Director Bylaws Article IV Board of Directors

Changes:

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The Rules Committee recommends rejection of this proposal

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Proposal 2 Submitted by Rick Fask District 7 Director By Laws Article V Executive Board

Changes:

ARTICLE V - EXECUTIVE BOARD

An Executive Board consisting of the President, the Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary, Referee Coordinator, Chair of the Rules Committee, the Chair of the Discipline Committee, Massachusetts Hockey Director of Coaching Education, and the General Counsel, and two members of the Board of Directors who are elected annually, by the Board of Directors for a one year term and may not serve for more than two (2) years. shall be responsible for carrying out the directives of the Board of Directors and running the day to day activities of the organization. (Only the officers and the members of the Board of Directors shall vote)

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The Rules Committee recommends rejection of this proposal

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Proposal 3 Submitted by Jeffery Brown Chair of the Discipline Committee ARTICLE XIV - SUSPENSION, EXPULSION, OTHER DISCIPLINE; APPEALS

Changes:

Delete the Article in its entirety

New to read:

ARTICLE XIV - SUSPENSION, EXPULSION, OTHER DISCIPLINE; APPEALS

A. General

Except as may be permitted in section D. below, no Party may be suspended from participation or otherwise disciplined for any alleged violation of these Bylaws, Massachusetts Hockey and USA Hockey, Rules and Regulations, Policies, Codes of Conduct and Ethics or any such Bylaw, Rules and Regulations, Policies, Codes of Conduct and Ethics any association, league, club, sponsor, facility or other group or organization, unless a hearing has been held prior to the action being taken according to the provisions of these rules.

B. Purpose

It is the purpose of these rules to provide Parties a fair hearing (a) prior to being subject to discipline, which shall include reasonable notice of the grounds for the proposed discipline, and (b) to contest an administrative action, which hearing shall include reasonable opportunity to prepare and present their case and argument in accordance with these rules, including the opportunity to call witnesses and present evidence, the opportunity to see all evidence intended to be used at the hearing and cross examine witnesses and to be assisted by counsel at the hearing.

C. Definitions

For the purposes of this Article, the words, terms and phrases used in this Article XIV shall have the following definitions:

"Administrative Action" shall mean any action or decision by USA Hockey, an Affiliate Association or a local league, association or program (other than "Discipline" as defined below) that affects any Parties' eligibility to participate in domestic competition and/or their membership in any organization within the jurisdiction of these Bylaws.

"Appeal Authority" shall mean the Massachusetts Discipline Committee or any Appeal

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Panel appointed thereby.

“Applicable Rules,” shall mean the bylaws, rules and regulations, playing rules, core values and decisions of the Board of Directors of USA Hockey and Massachusetts Hockey, and comparable bylaws, rules, documents and decisions of any applicable District, League or Association.

“Disciplinary Authority” shall mean Massachusetts Hockey, including each District of Massachusetts Hockey, any League, any Association, or a local league, association or program having jurisdiction to issue Discipline to any Party within the jurisdiction of USA Hockey.

“Discipline” shall mean a suspension, probation, censure or other discipline of a Party.

“Party” shall mean members of Massachusetts Hockey and other members within the jurisdiction of USA Hockey, USA Hockey itself or its Affiliate Associations, including, but not limited to, each parent, guardian, agent or other person, and each league, club, sponsor, facility or other group or organization, that is engaged in domestic competition or participating in a USA Hockey and/or Massachusetts Hockey sanctioned event of any kind.

“Playing Rules” shall mean playing rules of the game adopted from time to time by USA Hockey and published as USA Hockey Playing Rules.

“Playing Rules Suspension” shall mean suspensions expressly permitted or mandated by the USA Hockey Playing Rules.

“Summary Suspension” shall mean a suspension issued by a Disciplinary Authority prior to a hearing being conducted.

D. Hearing Procedure

(a) Hearing Panel

The Disciplinary Authority considering issuing any Discipline, or upon demand by a Party contesting a suspension or other disciplinary action where no hearing was held, or desires to contest an Administrative Action, shall appoint a Hearing Panel of a minimum of three and maximum of five reasonably disinterested and impartial persons to conduct the hearing. The Discipline Authority may also appoint a Hearing Facilitator whose function shall be to facilitate the discipline process. The Hearing Facilitator shall not have a vote on any Discipline issue and may participate in the facilitation of the hearing process at the discretion of the Hearing Panel.

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(b) Hearing Timing

Absent good cause, the Hearing Panel should hold the hearing no later than thirty (30) days after its appointment unless a later date is agreed upon by the Parties and approved by the Hearing Panel.

(c) Hearing Notice

Not later than seven (7) days before the hearing date, the Hearing Panel shall provide written notice to all interested Parties of the time and place of the hearing, the names of the hearing panel members and any hearing facilitator, the manner in which the hearing will be conducted, the grounds for any proposed suspension, discipline or Administrative Action, the possible consequences of an adverse finding, and the issues to be resolved by the Hearing Panel.

(d) Hearing Location

Subject to the provisions of the following subsection (e), the Hearing Panel shall make every reasonable effort to convene the hearing in a location accessible to all the Parties.

(e) Conduct of Hearing

The Hearing Panel may in its discretion hold a formal or informal hearing, in person or by telephonic conference call or video conference, hear any evidence it believes is relevant to the issue(s) before it, place limits on time, evidence and documentation, have witnesses or written statements and establish other hearing rules so long as the Parties are informed of the established procedures, each Party has a reasonable opportunity to present its case and argument in accordance with the Hearing Panel's rules, and each Party is treated in a substantially equal manner. The Rules of Evidence in judicial proceedings shall not apply in the hearing. The Parties may be represented by counsel of their choosing at their own expense, provided that the Hearing Panel may set rules for the involvement of counsel in the hearing. If the Hearing Panel has not made arrangements for a record of the proceedings, a Party may at its own expense create a stenographic or other record of the proceedings and must inform the Hearing Panel prior to the hearing of any arrangements so made. A copy of any such record created by or for a Party shall be provided at such Party's cost to the Hearing Panel. Other Parties will be permitted to secure a copy of the record in the normal course at their own expense.

(f) Burden of Proof

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In order to impose a suspension or discipline, the hearing panel must make a finding supported by a preponderance of the evidence (i.e., more likely true than not true) that the Party violated an Applicable Rule. The Disciplinary Authority proposing the Discipline shall have the burden of proof and shall present evidence to support the suspension or discipline by a preponderance of the evidence. In the case of an Administrative Action, the burden of proof shall be on the Party challenging the Administrative Action to prove by a preponderance of the evidence that the Administrative Action was made in an arbitrary or capricious manner or was not supported by the facts. In a contest of an Administrative Action, only the evidence presented to or considered by the Party taking the Administrative Action shall be presented and considered by the hearing panel.

(g) Decision

The Hearing Panel shall use reasonable efforts to (i) render its decision within five (5) business days of the completion of the hearing or the closing of the record whichever is later, and (ii) prepare and deliver a written decision to the Parties within fifteen (15) business days of the completion of the hearing or the close of the record whichever is later. The written decision shall contain findings of material facts, conclusions, the order of the Hearing Panel and a statement of any right of appeal a Party may have as a result of the decision. Delivery of the decision to the Parties may be made by first class mail or other delivery service or electronic mail in the discretion of the Hearing Panel.

(h) Scope of Hearing Panel Decision

Unless explicitly excepted by another provision of these rules or the rules of USA Hockey the decision of the Hearing Panel shall be in effect only for the program governed by the Disciplinary Authority and subject to appeal as set out in section G below. If the Hearing Panel wishes to extend any suspension or discipline it ordered beyond its program, it must notify the Chair of the Massachusetts Hockey Discipline Committee. If the suspension or discipline is imposed by a Hearing Panel's decision is affirmed by an Appeal Panel or there is no appeal from the decision of the Hearing Panel, and Massachusetts Hockey wishes to extend the scope of the hearing panel's decision beyond Massachusetts it may only do so by submitting a written request to do so and a copy of the written Disciplinary Panel's and/or Appeal Panel's decision to the Executive Director of USA Hockey, who shall advise all other Affiliate Associations of the suspension or Discipline and upon such notice the suspension or Discipline shall be in effect for all Affiliate Associations.

E. Exclusions

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(1) Summary Suspensions

After consultation with the Chair of the Massachusetts Hockey Discipline Committee, any member may be suspended without a hearing by a Discipline Authority. In the absence of the Chair of the Discipline Committee, a summary suspension may be issued after consultation with the Executive Director of Massachusetts Hockey and either the President or a Vice President of Massachusetts Hockey. A Summary suspension may be imposed for any of the following reasons: where a Party has been arrested for a crime alleged to have been committed; where a Party has assaulted another or violated the USA Hockey SafeSport Policy, including such abuse between adults, or other violations of USA Hockey or Massachusetts Hockey Policies, , provided such Policies are in writing and have been approved by the Board of Directors, and when an individual is named in a lawsuit against Massachusetts Hockey.

Any summary suspension must be in writing and given to the individual affected and the writing shall inform the individual of his/her right to request a hearing within seven (7) days of being notified of the suspension. Any hearing requested hereunder shall be conducted according to the provisions of these rules.

(2) Playing Rules Suspensions

Any Playing Rules Suspension does not require a hearing except that, in the event of the imposition of a match penalty as defined in the Playing Rules, a hearing must be offered to be held as set forth in the Playing Rules, and the terms and length of the Party's suspension shall be as set forth in the Playing Rules unless modified or revoked by the Hearing Panel. Any hearing for a match penalty shall be conducted according to these rules; provided that, in the case of a match penalty being imposed in a district or national championship tournament, the hearing will be conducted immediately after the game in question by the on-site USA Hockey personnel. All applicable game score sheets and referee reports must be presented to the Hearing Panel and made available to the Party subject to suspension. Any Playing Rule Suspension shall remain in force and effect and be final unless modified or revoked at a hearing, except that if the hearing is not held within 30 days of the incident together with a decision in accordance with these rules, the suspended Party shall be automatically reinstated after the 30-day period. The failure to offer the hearing shall not prohibit the Discipline Authority from conducting the hearing after the 30-day period and thereafter imposing further disciplinary action.

F. Officiating Suspensions

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The applicable state association or league or local supervisor of officials shall have the authority to suspend a referee up to ten (10) days without a prior hearing. The state association or Affiliate Association shall have the authority to suspend a referee after a hearing (held in accordance with these rules) or in accordance with the Summary Suspension procedures.

Any official(s) who boycotts any game(s) due to any disciplinary action taken or not taken by a Disciplinary Authority shall subject said official(s) to Discipline in accordance with these rules conducted by the organization subjected to said boycott.

USA Hockey does not recognize official's organizations. However, if any registered USA Hockey official is restricted or denied assignment eligibility for any USA Hockey game by an officials' organization or group of officials ("Officials' Organization"), except for good cause shown in accordance with the Officials' Organization written rules and then only for a very limited duration without a hearing as provided herein, then said Officials' Organization shall be subject to suspension or expulsion in accordance with the rules and regulations herein and that restriction or denied assignment shall have no effect.

G. Assault on Game Official

Assaults on Game Officials are violations of USA Hockey Playing Rules and as such are subject to the provisions for Playing Rules

Suspensions. In the event of a match penalty for assault on a game official, the offending Party shall be immediately suspended from all USA Hockey sanctioned activity and if such penalty is affirmed after a hearing, the offending Party shall be suspended for not less than one calendar year with one calendar year probation thereafter. In the cases of match penalties for assault on a game official.

H. Appeals

(1) Right to Appeal

Any Party that is suspended, otherwise disciplined or subject to an Administrative Action pursuant to these rules may, after a hearing or failure to have a hearing in accordance with these rules, appeal such action as follows:

(a) Suspensions

Match penalty suspensions or suspensions for violations of bylaw and/or rules of local, league or District organizations,

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shall be appealable to the Massachusetts Hockey Discipline Committee (the "Appeal Authority").

(b) Appeals Not Involving Suspensions

Appeals of Administrative Actions or other disciplinary action which do not involve suspension shall be appealed to the Board of Directors of the state association or where no state organization exists to the Affiliate Association's Board of Directors or the designated committee of such Board of Directors. There shall be no further appeals of Administrative Actions or other disciplinary actions not involving a suspension.

(c) Officials

Officials may appeal a suspension, other disciplinary action or an adverse Administrative Action if by a state association, USA Hockey District Referee in Chief or local supervisor of officials to the applicable Affiliate Association. If the official has been disciplined by the Affiliate Association or if the Affiliate Association has affirmed the discipline previously imposed, the official may appeal the discipline to a committee consisting of the National Referee in Chief, a District Director from the District to which the Affiliate belongs and a third impartial individual selected by those two. There shall be no further appeal of any decision by the said committee and the Discipline shall be final.

(d) District/National Championship Rules Appeals

District or national championship rules or special jurisdictional hockey association rules shall be appealable to the USA Hockey council or its designee having jurisdiction over the program. There shall be no further appeal of any decision by the said council and the decision shall be final.

(2) Appeal Procedure

The appeal procedure for all appeals as described in Section G(1)(d) above shall be as follows.

(a) Statement of Appeal

The appealing Party must submit a Statement of Appeal in writing to the Chair of the Massachusetts Hockey Discipline Committee, with a copy to the Disciplinary Authority and the Hearing Panel, of the decision appealed from within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the decision appealed or of the date of the failure to hold a hearing, whichever is applicable. The Statement of Appeal shall include a statement of why the Discipline should be overturned or reversed, and should attach the record of the

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hearing panel, if any, and a copy of the decision. The Disciplinary Authority, Discipline Panel and/or any responding Party shall have fourteen (14) days from the receipt of the Statement of Appeal to file a reply and any reply must be served upon the Appeal Authority and the appealing Party. The Statement of Appeal and reply should be a complete and comprehensive document and include all material from the original discipline hearing the Party wishes to be considered. Letters and other documents not submitted by the Party him/herself as part of the Statement of Appeal need not be considered by the Appeal Authority. If a Statement of Appeal is not received by the Chair of the Massachusetts Hockey Discipline Committee within the fourteen (14) day period, the discipline shall be final. The failure to respond by any Party will exclude that Party from further participation in the appeal proceedings. The Statement of Appeal and any reply shall be no longer than ten (10) typed double spaced pages with a font size no smaller than twelve (12) point. Exhibits to support the Statement of Appeal and/or reply may also be attached, including any relevant governing documents the Party is relying upon to support its argument. Exhibits shall not be included in the ten (10) page limitation.

(b) Conduct of Appeal Hearing

The Chair of the Massachusetts Hockey Discipline Committee shall appoint an Appeal Panel to consider any appeals pursuant to these rules. The Appeal Panel may in its discretion hold a hearing or consider the appeal on the written submissions of the Parties and establish other hearing rules so long as each Party is treated substantially equal. Notice of a hearing, if any, shall be given to all Parties, and any hearing may, in the discretion of the Appeal Panel, be held in person, telephonically or by video conference.

Only the evidence and theories presented to the Hearing Panel or party taking the Administrative Action prior to rendering its decision shall be presented or considered on appeal. The only basis for appeal will be that the Hearing Panel acted erroneously in interpreting or applying USA or Massachusetts Hockey Bylaws, Rules, Policies or Regulations and Codes of Conduct and Ethics to the facts.

(c) Appeal Decision

The Appeal Panel shall make every reasonable effort to issue a written decision that shall include a statement finding of the facts that were proven at the hearing and the conclusions of the Appeal Panel within fourteen (14) days of the hearing. The Appeal Panel may affirm, reverse or modify (including increase or decrease the term of a suspension) any decision in its sole discretion and as it deems proper under the

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circumstances.

(d) Suspension or Discipline Remains in Effect

Any suspension, discipline or Administrative Action appealed from shall remain in force and effect until it expires, is reversed or is modified by the Appeal Authority.

(3) Further Appeals

If allowed by the rules of USA Hockey, any party aggrieved by the decision of the Appeal Panel may appeal to the Executive Committee of USA Hockey in accordance with the applicable USA Hockey rules. There shall be no further appeal of any decision by the Executive Committee of USA Hockey in matters concerning Discipline and its decision shall be final as it is the final Appeal Authority in this appeal process.

F. Discipline Action Reports

All discipline action shall be reported in writing to the Chair of the Massachusetts Hockey Discipline Committee.

The Rules Committee recommends acceptance of this proposal

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Proposal 4 Submitted by Patrick McCarthy Chair Player Movement Committee Rules and Regulations Article I Registration; Completion

Changes:

7. PLAYER MOVEMENT

It is the policy of Mass Hockey that players play in their age-appropriate classification. In exceptional circumstances, a player (except for 8 and under) may be rostered in a higher age group with approval of their association/program. Approval is required at the start of each season. A waiver process for youth programs and girls/women's programs but excluding club programs showing a hardship at the 8 and under level may be filed with the Player Movement Committee and appealable to the Executive Board. Player movement waiver requests must be submitted by December 1st of the current playing season. For the purpose of this policy, a hardship would consist of one or more of the following criteria:

- No 8 and under team for the player to participate on
- A history of low registrations at mite and squirt levels
- Other extenuating circumstances

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The Rules Committee recommends acceptance of this proposal

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Proposal 5 Submitted by Mark Lissner Girls/Women Associate Registrar Rules and Regulations Article I Registration; Completion

Changes:

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- No 8 and under team for the player to participate on
- A history of low registrations at mite and squirt levels
- A 10 or under girls team may roster up to 5 girls from the 8 or under category if the program does not have an 8 or under girls team
- Other extenuating circumstances

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- A history of low registrations at mite and squirt levels
- A 10 or under girls team may roster up to 5 girls from the 8 or under category if the program does not have an 8 or under girls team
- Other extenuating circumstances

The Rules committee does not have a recommendation on this proposal

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Proposal 6 Submitted by Tournament Committee Rules and Regulations Article VII National Bound State Championships

Changes:

E. Tournament Composition

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Tournament team composition at all levels will be determined based upon the number of applications received in any given season.

The number of teams in a tournament may change in the discretion of the respective Associate Registrars and the national bound tournament committee from season to season.

New to read:

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The Rules Committee recommends acceptance of this proposal.

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Proposal 7 Submitted by Mark Lissner Girls/Women Associate Registrar Rules and Regulations Article VIII Non National Bound State Championships

Changes:

Section 7. Tournament Seeding

L. Round – Robin Games

All Games Played to a Winner:

If the game is tied following regulation play, one five -minute sudden death overtime period shall be played. At the completion of the third period, the tied teams shall receive a three-minute rest period. The teams will remain on the ice. The teams will not change ends. If the score is tied at the end of the five-minute sudden death overtime period, there shall be a shootout. The winner of the shootout will be credited with one additional goal in the final score.

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The Rules Committee recommends acceptance of this proposal

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Proposal 8 Submitted by Mark Lissner Girls/Women Associate Registrar Rules and Regulations Article VII Non National Bound State Championships

Changes:

Section 7. Tournament Seeding

H. 16 Team Tournament

North	South	East	West
Host	1	2	3
4	6	10	7
8	Host	9	5
RU	RU	RU	RU

I. 12 Team Tournament

Format A:

Olympic	National	American
10	1	2
5	4	3
6	7	8
9	Host	Host

Format B:

Olympic	National	American	International
10	4	1	9
5	7	2	Host
6	Host	3	3

In Format B The Olympic Division teams would play their three games against the National Division and the American Division would play their three games against the International Division. At the conclusion of round robin play the top 4 teams from the combined Olympic/National division and the top four teams from the combined American/International division would advance to the quarter finals.

QF1: National Olympic 1st vs. American International 4th

QF2: American International 2nd vs. National Olympic 3rd

QF3: National Olympic 2nd vs. American International 3rd

QF4: American International 1st vs. National Olympic 4th

Semifinals: QF1 Winner vs. QF2 Winner, QF3 Winner vs. QF4 Winner

J. 10 Team Tournament

Olympic	National	American
10	1	2
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The Rules Committee recommends acceptance of this proposal

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Proposal 9 Housekeeping

1. Any changes necessitated by USA Hockey changes

2. Renumber as necessary

3. Rules and Regulations Article VII State Championship Tournaments

16 Team Tournament

North	South	East	West
RU	HOST	1	2
6	10	7	3
4	8	HOST	9
RU	RU	RU	5

12 Team Tournament

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4	3	2
5	6	7
8	Host	Host

10 Team Tournament

Olympic	National	American
9	10	1
4	3	2
5	6	7
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4. Remove all references to signatures on rosters.

The Rules Committee recommends acceptance of this proposal

Proposal 10 Submitted by Tor Troiano District 9 Director

Rules and Regulations Article VIII Non National Bound State Championship Tournaments

Changes:

Section 12. Goaltenders

A. Any alternate goaltender that meets the requirements in Section 11.C of this Article for his/her original team may be rostered provided that he/she is of appropriate age. An alternate goaltender may return to his/her lower division or classification team. The

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alternate goaltender shall only enter the game in the event of illness or injury to the regular goaltender during the Tournament Game or if a doctor's note is provided prior to the start of the game indicating that the original rostered goaltender cannot participate. **This rule is intended to apply to games in the State Tournament as well as games leading up to the State Tournament i.e., District play down games.** Coaches violating this rule are subject to suspension.

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The Rules Committee recommends approval of this proposal