



## **Highland Park Giants Hockey Association Payment Policy**

The Highland Park Giants Hockey Association is dependent upon player fees to provide the majority of funding to cover the organization's expenses related to operating a hockey club, including ice time, coaching, referees, league fees, equipment and other essential costs. All players on teams sponsored by the Highland Park Giants Hockey Association must follow the organization's payment policies in order to remain in good standing with the organization.

### **Player Fees and Payment Schedule**

The player fees and schedule for payment will be determined by the board of directors of the Highland Park Giants Hockey Association based upon the financial needs of the organization. Every effort will be made by the organization to minimize the financial obligation placed upon its member families. Each year, prior to the commencement of the season, the Board of Directors shall publish the fees and payment requirements.

It is expected that all player fees will be paid on time and in accordance with the published fee schedule. Failure to pay a bill by the due date may result in a player being suspended until payment is made or a payment plan is established. For families in which the parents or guardians live in separate households, one parent or guardian must be designated at the time of registration as the person primarily responsible for payment of all bills.

### **Payment Methods**

The Highland Park Giants Hockey Association accepts payment by personal check, certified bank check, credit card or cash. Checks should be made payable to the Highland Park Giants Hockey Association. If a personal check is returned due to insufficient funds, the player will be responsible for all related fees that are incurred.

### **Payment Plans**

The Highland Park Giants Hockey Association recognizes that unexpected events may occur in a family, and the organization is willing to consider special financial arrangements to allow players to continue playing hockey. Families who require additional time to pay a bill are strongly encouraged to make arrangements with the organization's treasurer or president. All such payment plans must be approved by the treasurer and/or president of the Highland Park Giants Hockey Association and will be held in strict confidence. Failure to comply with this process may result in a player not being able to participate in team activities, including games and practices, until all fees are paid.

### **Withdrawal from the Program**

If a player is assigned to a regular season Highland Park Giants Hockey Association team, subsequently withdraws from the program and then wishes to return the following regular season, the player must prepay the entire balance of the current season's fees within seven days after being assigned to a regular season team or the player will not be eligible to play for the team. Other than documented physical injuries that are in accordance with the Highland Park Giants Hockey Association's Injury Policy, the organization will not refund any fees to players who leave the program a second time.

**Reservation of Rights**

The Board of Directors of the Highland Park Giants Hockey Association reserves the right to, and may, in its sole discretion, amend, modify, discontinue, repeal or terminate all or any portion of this Payment Policy at any time.

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