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## 1. General:

a. MEAHA will follow in all respects the Zero Tolerance Policy of USA Hockey and the guidance provided in the USA Hockey Annual Guide and USAH Safe Sport Program Handbook.

## 2. Additional Policies:

- a. Any coach or player that receives a Game Misconduct under USAH's Playing Rules, Rule 601, Abuse of Officials and Other Misconduct, will be subject to the following penalties:
  - i. First Occurrence. Immediate 3 game Suspension
  - ii. Second Occurrence for the same team in the same season. Immediate 6 game suspension and the coach or player will not be eligible to compete in the team's MEAHA State Tournament or any New England District Regional/Sectional or USAH National Tournament.
  - iii. Third Occurrence. The coach or player is suspended for the remainder of the season and will be referred to MEAHA's Disciplinary Committee for possible additional disciplinary action.
- b. Any Parent/Spectator removed from a MEAHA event shall be subject to an immediate 30-day suspension from all USAH activities and may be referred to MEAHA's Disciplinary Committee for additional sanctions.

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