



## **Ruggers Hockey Inc Operating Policy and Procedures**

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## **Section A- Purpose**

Ruggers Hockey established was established in 2016 for charitable, educational, and recreational purposes, specifically to promote youth hockey development, provide access to hockey programs, and foster teamwork and sportsmanship in young athletes within the community of Stillwater, MN.

## **Section B- Authority**

The authority to establish this Policy is provided by Article IV Section X of the By-Laws.

## **Section C- Levels of Play**

Levels of play will be determined by the Board of Directors based on Registration each year.

## **Section D- Selection of Teams**

Ruggers is not a tryout program. Teams will be formed by the board of directors with the intent of having balanced teams.

## **Section E- Registration and Costs**

Registration will be done through the website. Costs will be determined by dividing the cost of the ice, tournaments, jerseys, socks, apparel and operating costs of the organization amongst each player on the respective team.

Costs may vary based on the age level and team.

The amount of ice and tournaments will be voted on by the board at the recommendation of each age level coordinator/coach.

Goalies skate for free.

## **Section F- Required Participant and Coaching Documents**

Each player is required to provide a birth certificate and a signed code of conduct. Each parent must also sign the code of conduct.

Each coach must provide proof of current Safe Sport Certification.



## **Section G- Coaches**

Coaches are approved by the Board of Directors by majority vote at the recommendation of the age level coordinator.

All head coaches and preferably all coaches must attend the preseason coaches meeting.

## **Section H- On Ice Policies**

No player will be allowed to participate prior to full payment. This will be enforced by the Board of Directors.

No non-registered player will be allowed on the ice.

All players must have complete gear to participate including a USA hockey approved cut proof neck shirt.

All coaches are required to wear helmets.

Play time during games will be equal with the exception of PP and PK at the Peewee and Bantam level. Ruggers does not endorse PP and PK units below Peewee.

## **Section I- Disciplinary Action**

On ice corrections will be handled by the coach. If a participant (player or parent) violates the code of conduct they will be disciplined at the discretion of the Board of Directors in an appropriate fashion. Infractions can range from verbal warnings to suspension for a duration decided by the board to suspension for the season. Continued Code of Conduct infractions can result in permanent removal from Ruggers Hockey.

All disciplinary is determined by the Board of Directors with a majority vote.

In the case of permanent suspension, no refunds will be issued.



## **Section J- Parent Communication**

The coach of each team will have a parent meeting prior to the first scheduled ice session to share their vision for the team that is aligned with Ruggers Hockey By-Laws and Mission Statement.

Parent and Player complaints should be directed to any of the Board of Directors.