



DCYH Discipline Guidelines

Purpose:

To provide clear guidance for violation of the DCYH Code of Conduct for Players, Parents, Coaches, & Board Members.

Overview

- As an affiliate member of Minnesota Hockey and USA Hockey, unless otherwise stated below DCYH will abide by the USA Hockey Disciplinary Procedures outlined in USA Hockey Bylaw 10
- All discipline proceedings will be overseen by the DCYH Discipline Committee which is comprised of current DCYH Board Members.
- Individuals will be notified in writing of any actions taken by the Discipline Committee.
- This policy does not apply to any Playing Rule Suspensions handed out by an on-ice official during the course of an official game with the exception of a Match Penalty which is subject to USA Hockey Bylaw 10.C and requires to a playing rule hearing.

Policy

- Any incident/grievance that is wished to be reported must be done so by completing the “DCYH Incident/Grievance Form” located on the DCYH website. You must include name so that any grievance can be followed up on.
- All association members (parents and players) agree to abide by the rules and guidelines as stated in the DCYH Parent Code of Conduct and the DCYH Player Code of Conduct as well as the disciplinary actions set forth in these guidelines.
- Typical suspension for violation of code of conduct will be 1-week removal from **all Dodge County Youth Hockey events** (practices, home and away games) unless noted below.
- **24 Hour Rule:** No parent in a fit of frustration/anger over their player’s playing time/position/team role should contact any of the coaching staff in any matter (including phone, text, email, social media, etc) until 24 hours has passed. Any reports of a violation will be reviewed by the DCYH Discipline Committee and if confirmed will result an automatic minimum 2-week removal from **all Dodge County Youth Hockey events** (practices, home and away games).
 - Normal player development and safety questions are acceptable and encourage with parents and coaching staff.
- Any **unsportsmanlike behavior**, as decided upon by the DCYH Discipline Committee, will result in a one-week suspension for **all Dodge County Youth Hockey events** (practices, home and away games).
- Any parent who creates public displays of physical violence/anger towards coaches, game officials, players, or other parents may be automatically suspended from all DCYH events until a formal hearing can take place.



- All inappropriate actions and resulting discipline will be logged with the DCYH Board and will be cumulative during the course of the family's participation in DCYH. The DCYH Board (with the recommendation or the Discipline Committee) will have the right to remove the family from the association after the third disciplinary action in a given year.