

Cloquet Amateur Hockey Association Attendance Policy

Effective Date: September 21, 2025 (to be reviewed annually)

Approved By: Cloquet Amateur Hockey Association (CAHA) Board of Directors

I. Purpose

This Attendance Policy outlines the expectations for player participation in practices, games, and team events within the Cloquet Amateur Hockey Association (CAHA). It is designed to promote accountability, team commitment, and individual development, while ensuring alignment with Minnesota Hockey and District 11 standards.

II. Scope

This policy applies to all players participating in CAHA during all scheduled practices, games, tournaments, team meetings, and other official events.

III. Attendance Policy

Consistent attendance is critical to individual development and team success. The following expectations apply:

- 1. **Expected Attendance**: Players are expected to attend all scheduled practices, games, off-ice activities, team meetings, and tournaments unless prior arrangements are made.
- 2. **Reporting Absences**: Any absence must be communicated to the head coach or team manager at least 24 hours in advance, when possible.
- 3. **Excused Absences**: Valid reasons include illness, injury, family emergencies, religious obligations, or academic conflicts.
- 4. **Unexcused Absences**: Failure to notify the coach or repeated absences without valid reason may result in reduced playing time or additional consequences. Practices and/or hockey related training outside CAHA activities is an unexcused absence.
- 5. **Injury Protocol**: Players who are injured can, and are encouraged to, attend practices and games, when feasible, to stay engaged with the team unless otherwise advised by a doctor.
- 6. **Tardiness**: Players are expected to arrive on time. Chronic tardiness will be addressed by the coaching staff.
- 7. **Consequences**: Repeated or unexcused absences may result in:
 - Reduced playing time
 - Required meetings with the coach and/or parents
 - Suspension from games
 - o Referral to the Board or Disciplinary Committee
- 8. **Expectations:** Parents/Guardians should not expect equal playing time for players that are not practicing equally.

This policy was presented to and approved by the CAHA Board of Directors on September 21, 2025, at its regular meeting. This policy will be reviewed annually prior to registration opening.

By:

President, CAHA Board of Directors