

BYHA Player Code of Conduct

It is the philosophy of Beloit Youth Hockey Association, Inc. (BYHA), to promote the advancement of youth athletics through hockey by developing teamwork, sportsmanship, respect and camaraderie, while enhancing hockey skills, social development and competition. To support this philosophy, all players are expected to maintain and demonstrate these attributes not only on the ice, but at all times during their participation with all BYHA activities. The Board of Directors has therefore adopted the following Code of Conduct for all players:

Level One Rules - Player's Personal conduct shall include:

Display a positive attitude.

Conduct yourself in a sportsmanlike manner.

No swearing, taunting, making derogatory remarks or display obscene or offensive behavior toward players, coaches or officials on or off the ice.

No disruptive behavior during practices, games or in the locker room.

Show respect toward teammates, coaches, parents, referees and opponents, both on and off the ice.

Follow team rules and the direction of coaches promptly and without complaint.

Attend all games and practices. If unable to attend, the player will notify the head coach in advance.

Violation of a Level One rule may result in the following action:

First offense: Up to one period suspension

Second offense: Up to one game suspension

Third offense: 2 or more game suspension

Level Two Rules - Unlawful and/or unacceptable conduct shall include:

Abuse or damage equipment or rink facilities at home or on the road, and will be responsible for the repair or replacement costs and/or community service at the discretion the rink manager.

Stealing personal belongings of another player or coach.

Fighting or displaying abusive or harassing conduct.

Upon violation of a Level Two Rule, the parents or guardians of the violating player will be notified as soon as possible by the head coach of an investigation to be conducted by the Grievance Committee, into the specific violation(s). The Grievance Committee will meet with the player, parents or guardians, coaches and any other necessary witnesses, during the investigation. The Grievance Committee will provide their recommendation to the Board of Directors for their acceptance and/or final decision.

Violation of a Level Two Rule may result in the following:

First offense: One game suspension

Second offense: Three game suspension

Third Offense: The incident will be reported to the Board of Directors who will review the incident and determine appropriate action. Such action may include, but is not limited to, further suspension or expulsion from BYHA.

Level Three Rules - *The possession of and/or use of alcohol, tobacco and controlled or illegal substances and/or including weapons, is strictly forbidden:*

Violation of this Rule will result in immediate suspension until the Board of Directors determines appropriate disciplinary action at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

Upon violation of a Level Three Rule, the parents or guardians of the violating player will be notified as soon as possible by the head coach of an investigation to be conducted by the Grievance Committee, into the specific violation(s). The Grievance Committee will meet with the player, parents or guardians, coaches and any other necessary witnesses, during the investigation. The Grievance Committee will provide their recommendation to the Board of Directors for their acceptance and/or final decision.

Violation of Rule Three may result in the following action:

Suspension from one or more games, up to and including the remainder of the hockey season, or any other action deemed appropriate by the Board. If the player is suspended for the remainder of the season, reinstatement must be approved by the Board of Directors prior to the start of the next season. No membership fees will be refunded. The Board of Directors reserves the right to permanently suspend a player from participation in BYHA.

General

Any player, parent/guardian, coach or team rep may bring forth to the Grievance Committee any incident by a player, which in their opinion does not support the philosophy of BYHA.

All suspensions will be served at the next regularly scheduled game, scrimmage or tournament. Repeated and/or dangerous action may be referred to the Grievance Committee for additional/accelerated discipline, which could range up to permanent suspension.

Player's Signature*

Parent/Guardian's Signature*

****Player will not be allowed to participate in any BYHA activities until signed.***