

2022-2023 OHF Minimum Suspension List – Minor Hockey

The following are minimum suspensions that shall be imposed for infractions, which occur in all OHF exhibition, league, and play-off games, during the current playing season for Minor Hockey. Note that these suspensions are over and above any imposed by Hockey Canada rules.

Notice re: Clarifications

- These are minimum suspensions. Additional suspensions will be imposed wherever conditions and circumstance warrant.
- It is the responsibility of each team manager and/or coach to ensure their players sit out their appropriate suspensions. When in doubt as to the relevant suspension, contact the association/league office. If unable to contact the association/league office, sit player(s) in question out until clarification can be obtained. These suspensions are in addition to game incurred.
- Match Penalty reports will be forwarded to the appropriate Member for further review.
- A participant who is suspended while playing in an out -of OHF jurisdiction event (i.e. USA or out of Member) must serve that governing bodies suspension or portion thereof in the participant teams remaining games in that event even if for a greater number of games than under the OHF Minimum Suspension List.

Upon returning to the OHF, a team will report any suspension received outside of the OHF jurisdiction and the affected Player/Team Official will not be eligible to participate until the report has been received by the Member and the Member rules on the Player/Team Official's eligibility based upon the OHF Minimum Suspension List.

| M = Misconduct | GM = Game Misconduct | GE = Game Ejection | MP = Match Penalty | GRM = Gross Misconduct | AS = Accumulation Sanction |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|
| Misconducts | | | | | |
| | | | | Rule/Code | Suspension |
| Failure to go to the Player's Bench or Neutral Area | | | | 7.10 (d) | |
| Throwing Stick Over Boards | | | | 10.5 (d) | |
| Illegal Equipment | | | | 10.6 (d) | |
| Unsportsmanlike Conduct | | | | 11.1 (d) i | |
| Interference/Distracton During Penalty Shot | | | | 11.1 (d) ii | |
| Intentionally Knocks or Shoots Puck Out of Reach of an Official | | | | 11.1 (d) iii | |
| Failure to go directly to Penalty Bench | | | | 11.1 (d) iv | |
| Entering Referee's Crease | | | | 11.1 (d) v | |
| Disrespectful and Abusive Behaviour (includes Inciting) | | | | 11.2 (d) | |
| Game Misconducts | | | | | |
| | | | | Rule / Code | Suspension |
| Second Misconduct – Same Game | | | | 4.7 (c) | 1 Game |
| Game Ejections | | | | 4.8 (b) | 0 Games |
| 2 nd Fight, Same stoppage of play (3 rd , 4 th , etc.) | | | | 7.10 (e) iii | 3 Games |
| Player(s) 3 rd , 4 th , 5 th Player into Fight | | | | 7.10 (e) ii | 3 Games |
| Checking from Behind (Minor + Game Misconduct) | | | | 7.5 (a) | 1 Game |
| Roughing (Major + Game Misconduct) | | | | 7.9 (b) | 1 Game |
| Holding Injury (Major + Game Misconduct) | | | | 8.1 (b) | 1 Game |
| Hooking Injury (Major + Game Misconduct) | | | | 8.2 (b) | 1 Game |
| Interference (Major + Game Misconduct) | | | | 8.3 (b) | 1 Game |
| Interference from the Bench (Bench Minor + Game Misconduct, if identifiable) | | | | 8.4 (a) | 1 Game |
| Interference from the Bench (Major + Game Misconduct) | | | | 8.4 (b) | 1 Game |
| Interference with the Goaltender (Major + Game Misconduct) | | | | 8.5 (b) | 1 Game |
| Tripping Injury (Major + Game Misconduct) | | | | 8.6 (b) | 1 Game |
| Bench Official on the Ice Without Permission of Official | | | | 10.4 (a) | 1 Game |
| Leaving the Players bench or Penalty Box | | | | 10.4 (e) i | 4 Games |
| Leaving the Players bench or Penalty Box and incurring subsequent penalty | | | | 10.4 (e) ii | 5 Games |
| Leaving the Bench without Clearance from the Referee (Assessed to coach if altercation results in penalties at end of game) | | | | 10.4 (e) | 2 Games |
| ¹ Coach whose player is penalized under 10.4 (e) | | | | 10.4 (e) | 4 Games |
| Throwing or Shooting Stick or Object with Injury | | | | 10.5 (b) | 1 Game |
| Refusing to Start Play (Coach – Major + Game Misconduct) | | | | 10.8 (b) i | Indefinite* |
| Refusing to Leave the Players Bench (Major + Game Misconduct) | | | | 10.8 (b) ii | 1 Game |
| ¹ 10.4 (e) – Coaches' penalty will be noted on the front and back of the game sheet of the Officials' copy only. Penalty to coach is automatic as a result of player receiving 10.4 (e), coach not to be ejected as a result of this penalty being assessed. *All Indefinite Suspensions are subject pending a hearing. | | | | | |

| Player Accumulation Sanctions | | Offense Count | | | |
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| Accumulation Sanctions apply for any collective accumulation of the below MAJORS in the same season | | 1st MAJOR | 2nd MAJOR | 3rd MAJOR | 4th MAJOR |
| Rule/Code | | | | | |
| Boarding (Major + Game Misconduct) | 7.2 (b) | 2 Games | 4 Games | 6 Games | Indefinite* |
| Body Checking (Major + Game Misconduct) | 7.3 (b) | | | | |
| Charging (Major + Game Misconduct) | 7.4 (b) | | | | |
| Checking from Behind (Major + Game Misconduct) | 7.5 (b) | | | | |
| Head Contact (Major + Game Misconduct) | 7.6 (b) | | | | |
| Kneeing (Major + Game Misconduct) | 7.8 (b) | | | | |
| Clipping (Major + Game Misconduct) | 8.7 (b) | | | | |
| Cross Checking (Major + Game Misconduct) | 9.2 (b) | | | | |
| Slashing (Major + Game Misconduct) | 9.3 (b) | | | | |
| *All Indefinite Suspensions are subject to a hearing. | | | | | |
| Coaches Accumulation Sanctions | | | | | Suspension |
| Any team receiving a combination equaling 3 x 5 minute penalties in the same game from a major penalty, match penalty or fighting infractions | | | | | 1 Game |
| For a 2nd violation of a team receiving a combination equaling 3 x 5 minute penalties in the same game from a major penalty, match penalty or fighting infractions | | | | | 3 Games |
| For a 3rd violation of a team receiving a combination equaling 3 x 5 minute penalties in the same game from a major penalty, match penalty or fighting infractions | | | | | Indefinite* |
| *All Indefinite Suspensions are subject to a hearing. | | | | | |
| Match Penalties | | Rule / Code | Offense Count | | |
| | | | 1st MATCH | 2nd MATCH | 3rd MATCH |
| Attempt to Injure or Deliberate Injury <i>Note: May include but not limited to head-butting, hair pulling, grabbing face mask, and kicking</i> | 7.1 (c) | 4 Games | Minimum + 2 Games | Indefinite± | |
| Boarding | 7.2 (c) | | | | |
| Body Checking | 7.3 (c) | | | | |
| Charging | 7.4 (c) | | | | |
| Kneeing | 7.8 (c) | | | | |
| Fighting – Ring or Tape on Hand(s) | 7.10 (c) | | | | |
| Clipping | 8.7 (c) | | | | |
| Slew Footing | 8.8 (c) | | | | |
| Butt Ending | 9.1 (c) | | | | |
| Cross-Checking | 9.2 (c) | | | | |
| Slashing | 9.3 (c) | | | | |
| Spearing | 9.4 (c) | | | | |
| Checking from Behind | 7.5 (c) | | 5 Games | | |
| Head Contact | 7.6 (c) | 5 Games | 5 Games | | |
| ± All Indefinite Suspensions are subject to a hearing. The Member may establish a set number of games that may not be lower than 5 games. | | | | | |
| Gross Misconducts | | | Rule / Code | Suspension | |
| Fighting with Team Official | | | 7.10 (f) | Indefinite** | |
| Illegal Equipment | | | 10.6 (f) i | Indefinite** | |
| Refusing to remove helmet or facial protector for identification | | | 10.6 (f) ii | Indefinite** | |
| Removing Helmet and/or Chinstrap | | | 10.6 (f) iii / iv | Indefinite** | |
| ** All Indefinite Suspensions are subject to a hearing. The Member may establish a set number of games that may not be lower than 2 games. | | | | | |
| Pre or Post Game Altercations | | | | Suspension | |
| Any player involved where Major and Game Misconducts are assessed | | | | 2 Games | |
| Coach of team whose players are so penalized | | | | Indefinite* | |
| Any team involved in a pre or post game brawl | | | | Indefinite* | |
| *All Indefinite Suspensions are subject to a hearing. | | | | | |

| Fighting | H.C. Rule | Offense Count | | | |
|---|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th |
| Fighting | 7.10 (b) | 2 Games | 3 Games | 5 Games | Indefinite* |
| *All Indefinite Suspensions are subject pending a hearing. | | | | | |
| Instigator / Aggressor | H.C. Rule | Offense Count | | | |
| | | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | |
| Instigator / Aggressor of a fight | 7.11 (a) | 1 Game | 3 Games | Indefinite* | |
| *All Indefinite Suspensions are subject pending a hearing. The Member may establish a set number of games that may not be lower than 4 games. | | | | | |

| Rule 11 – Maltreatment | Type | Rule / Code | Offense Count | | |
|--|-------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | | | 1st MATCH | 2nd MATCH | 3rd MATCH |
| Unsportsmanlike Conduct | Game | 11.1 (e) | 2 Games | Minimum +4 Games | Indefinite* |
| Disrespectful and Abusive Behaviour | Misconduct | 11.2 (e) | 3 Games | | |
| Disrespectful and Abusive Behaviour | GRM | 11.2 (f) | 5 Games | Indefinite** | Indefinite** |
| Spitting | Match | 11.3 (c) | 5 Games | Indefinite** | Indefinite** |
| Discrimination | GRM | 11.4 | Indefinite** | Indefinite** | Indefinite** |
| Physical Harassment of an Official | Match | 11.5 (c) | Indefinite** | Indefinite** | Indefinite** |
| ** All Indefinite Suspensions are subject to a hearing. The Member may establish a set number of games that may not be lower than 5 games. | | | | | |

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