



*Manitoulin Minor Hockey Association  
Administrative Procedures  
Amended January 2024*

**1 2004-08-31**

The official rules of hockey Canada will be used for all Manitoulin Minor Hockey games.

**2 2023-05-09**

Any change in team sweater colours must be approved by MMHA Executive by August 31st prior to their use in league games. Local Associations are required to keep the same colour for all teams. That all teams are required to have a light and dark jersey.

**3 2004-08-31**

Game durations shall be:

U11 through U18: 3 x 15 minute stop periods. In all divisions the ice shall be flooded once during the game unless otherwise agreed upon by both coaches and the game officials.

Post season: 10-minute period with sudden death. Teams do not change ends. If still tied, the ice will be resurfaced and teams will change ends and will play a full period with sudden death.

Post season: (all divisions) If teams are tied at the end of the regular season the tie breaker will be 1) most wins 2) head to head 3) goals for divided by goals for/against.



#### **4 2023-05-09**

Game sheets must be sent to MMHA by uploading the data within 24 hours of the game being played. The home team is responsible for uploading the game score sheet. Visiting teams should have opportunity to review and confirm game details before it is uploaded. Failure to adhere to this policy will be \$100 fine to the association with an additional \$100 each time it happens within a season.

#### **5 2023-05-09**

Rescheduling must occur 10 days prior to the original game date and the new date for the game should be within 10 days of the original date. Weather conditions will be the only reason accepted for a second cancellation, if there is a disagreement. One copy must be forwarded to each of the following persons: Opposing team manager, division convenor and the MMHA secretary. No team is to forfeit a game.

#### **6 1995-06-02 (amended 2023-05-09)**

Community Associations must provide the MMHA Secretary with the following data and information on, or before the dates indicated:

June 1st; the names and contact information of executive members  
(Contact information = telephone, e-mail, mailing address)

July 1st: the names address and telephone numbers of their representatives to the board of directors

October 1st: a list of each team playing in the upcoming season showing the name and telephone number of a team representative plus the names of at least six players. A schedule of community ice times for games and practices of each participating team.

November 1st: a complete list of teams.



**7 1995-06-02**

Community Association fees payable to MMHA shall be based on a per team basis and determined annually by the board of directors on or before October 1st of each season.

**8 2010-05-18 (amended 2023-05-09)**

A levy will be assessed against any team that fails to show up for a scheduled game without giving the opposing team a minimum of a two hour notification. This levy will be based upon the actual costs incurred by the offended team for ice charges and payment of officials, and will upon collection by the MMHA, be paid to the team incurring the loss.

**9 1995-06-02**

All associations must ensure that players on each team are properly registered and insured through the Northern Ontario Hockey Association office before he/she is permitted to play in any league games. Roster sheets must be sent to the MMHA secretary before playing in league games.

**10 1995-09-29**

All communities shall adhere to the policy of fair play for all players in all divisions.

**11 2004-08-31**

No game shall be scheduled before 6:30 pm on a weeknight for any team, unless with the permission of both teams.



**12 2023-05-09 2024-01-16 -Amended**

Team Manager/Coach, between the 2nd and 3rd period are to ensure accuracy of the roster on the GameSheet app. Teams need to verify who the team bench staff are on Gamesheet Inc. (scoresheet). This should be done no later than in between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> period when the player roster is verified.

**13 2006-02-13**

MMHA utilizes a three man official system for U15 and U18 divisions.

**14 2023-05-09**

Game lateness under normal weather conditions: if a team fails to ice minimum players as required by Hockey Canada within 15 minutes of scheduled start time, the game is forfeited, unless agreed upon by both teams to go ahead with the game beyond the 15 minute deadline.

**15 2014-11-04 (amended 2023-05-09)**

Any associations not having a representative at a scheduled MMHA meeting will be fined at \$150 for the 1st meeting, \$300 for the 2nd meeting missed, and \$450 for the 3rd meeting missed. Fines will continue to go up in \$150 increments within the season. All fines must be paid within 30 days of the meeting. Community Representative can be any association member.



**16 2023-05-09**

All community arenas will have the same admission charge for all Minor Hockey games through the year. The fee will be set at the beginning of each hockey season. Game Bench staff will not be charged a fee to enter game.

**17 2004-08-31**

Any appeals or protests will follow the same format and procedures as set out in the NOHA Constitution.

**18 2000-04-13**

Referees shall be remunerated at the NOHA prescribed rates.

**19 2000-04-13**

Should it be brought to the MMHA's attention that any team official is operating in a manner contrary to the basic concepts of sportsmanship, gentlemanly conduct, and fair play, the MMHA shall investigate and request that the local association take disciplinary actions as appropriate for the circumstances. If no action is taken, then the MMHA may take disciplinary actions.

**20 2000-04-13**

Team officials shall be responsible for supervising and controlling the conduct of players before, during and after each game. (For example, dressing room vandalism, bench brawls, lobby and parking lot, altercations, etc.) Infractions shall result in the suspension and/or other disciplinary actions to the player(s) and Team Official(s) responsible. In addition, the cost of any damages will be assessed against the responsible team.



**21 2004-08-31**

No players will be allowed on the ice surface WITHOUT THE DIRECTION of the officials.  
FAILURE TO DO SO RESULTS IN A 2 MINUTE MINOR PENALTY

**22 2000-10-24**

Game Officials are to be paid at the end of the second period.

**23 2004-08-31**

All teams registering must have an equal number of 1st and 2nd year players in the association if icing two teams in the same division.

**24 2005-02-07 (amended 2023-05-09)**

Any team official on the bench without an approved CRC and/or VSS will be suspended until they provide required documentation. The offending Association will be fined \$100.00.

**25 2010-05-18 (amended 2018-01-01)**

Any player receiving a 4th penalty in a game providing the first three are not stick infractions OR 3 HEAD CONTACT PENALTIES (a double minor for head contact only counts as one penalty in regards to this) will automatically receive a game ejection (GE101). After a second offence, the division statistician will report the player to the Disciplinary Committee for review.



**26 2006-02-13 (amended 2023-05-09)**

The Discipline Committee is to be set prior to the beginning of the season and consist of 3 people and be appointed by MMHA executive.

The Discipline Committee will inform the MMHA Treasurer of any fines and any Association incurring a fine will have 30 days from the time of notification to pay this fine.

**27 2006-03-07**

In the case of a winning team being found to have an ineligible player, this team forfeits the points and the losing team will be awarded these points.

**28 2006-03-07 (amended 2023-05-09)**

A player may only be eligible for participation in playoffs providing said player has played at least 50% of his/her teams regular season games. (Special circumstances, i.e.: illness, relocation, safety issues, or other justifiable cause, may be approved by a committee comprised of the MMHA President and two Executive members). For players playing in two divisions, said player may only play for both divisions/ teams during playoffs if he/she has played at least 50% of both teams regular season games. Exception to the rule is the U9 division.

**29 2007-05-08**

All teams registered with the OWHA can 'ice' a team in a particular division. When an OWHA representative feels they would not be competitive, the MMHA will allow the team to play down a division in the league with the understanding the OWHA team will not compete in playoffs. Points accumulated during regular season stand as is.



**30 2006-12-12**

Suspensions of players will hold regardless if the score sheet is filled out correctly by officials.

**31 2006-12-12**

When an official does not arrive within 15 minutes of the assigned start time of a game, the visiting team will be awarded the game. THE REFEREE IN CHIEF WILL BE NOTIFIED BY THE HOME ASSOCIATION.

**32 2007-02-13**

After a seven-goal differential in the third period of a game, the time will be straight. If a team regains a five-goal differential, stop time will be reinstated for the remainder of the 3<sup>rd</sup> period.

**33 2007-05-08                      2024-01-16 Amended**

The MMHA Discipline Committee requires notification from local community representatives within forty eight (48) hours of any suspendable altercations or infractions incurred in off island tournaments sanctioned by the NOHA. The MMHA Discipline Committee will make a decision consistent with existing MMHA policies and procedures.

The MMHA Discipline Committee requires notification from local community representatives within forty eight (48) hours of any player(s) or team staff, who served suspensions while attending off island tournaments sanctioned by the NOHA. A copy of the gamesheet or screenshot showing the suspension served will suffice.





**34 2011-04-11**

Outstanding fines/monies are to be paid to MMHA prior to Association being allowed to participate in playoffs.

**35 2012-03-20**

Home associations are responsible to provide approved on and off ice officials for NOHA sanction games. Failure to do so will result in a \$100.00 fine for each occurrence.

**36 2012-05-08**

A player or team official who receives an identical suspendable infraction code in the same season will be subject to an additional game suspension for each occurrence by the MMHA discipline committee. In addition, all players who receive a GE101 will be on their 2<sup>nd</sup> occurrence receive a one game suspension and an additional game for each subsequent infraction. The MMHA discipline committee will rely on the current OHF suspension list when adding additional games for same infraction.

**37 2017-04-11**

Social Media Policy must be signed for each registered player each year prior to registration.

**38 2017-09-12**

Teams will only affiliate players from lower division if they have less than 10 skaters and a goalie and may only affiliate up to a max of 10 skaters. Following Rule 27, if there is a violation the head coach will be assessed a 3 game suspension as well.

**\*\*The goalie is the only exception\*\***



### **39 2023-05-09**

The style of playoffs will be determined prior to the start of the season.

### **40 2018-09-11 (amended 2023-05-09)**

Game officials must report all potential suspendable infractions to the Discipline Committee within 24 hours of the game conclusion. , as per OHF minimum suspension codes. MMHA repeat offender system is in place.

### **41 2019-10-08 (amended May 9, 2023)**

Player/Team Official Accumulation Sanctions as per OHF AND MMHA guidelines:

Misconducts - all misconducts as listed on the OHF Minimum Suspension List

Game Misconducts - all game misconducts as listed on the OHF Minimum Suspension List

Match Penalties - all match penalties as listed on the OHF Minimum Suspension List

Gross Misconducts - all gross misconducts as listed on the OHF Minimum Suspension List

Pre / Post Game Altercations - all pre / post game altercations as listed on the OHF Minimum Suspension List

Fighting - all fighting penalties as listed on the OHF Minimum Suspension List

Maltreatment - all maltreatment (including spitting/discrimination/physical harassment of official) penalties as listed on the OHF Minimum Suspension List

#### **MMHA Additional Sanctions:**

**Misconducts** – any player receiving 2 infractions (as per OHF List) will receive 1 game suspension.

- 3<sup>rd</sup> infraction = 2 games
- 4<sup>th</sup> infraction = 3 games
- 5<sup>th</sup> infraction = Board Hearing



**Game Ejections** – any player receiving 2 game ejections (as per OHF List for 3 head contact or stick infractions and/or MMHA 4 penalty rule) will receive 1 additional game suspension. Additional GE's will result in 1 game suspensions for each offence.

**Game Misconducts/Match Penalties/Gross Misconducts/Maltreatment Penalties** - any player/team official receiving combination of GM/MP/GRM/Maltreatment adding up to 2 will receive additional 2 league games suspension. After that, 1 additional game for each infraction (GM55 – Checking from Behind Minor not included).

**Checking from Behind – Minor – GM55** – A player receiving a 2<sup>nd</sup> GM55-Checking from Behind Minor will receive 2 additional league games. After that 1 additional game for each infraction.

**Fighting – GM 30 / GM31 / GM 32** – any player receiving GM30/GM31/GM32 will receive additional 1 league game suspension.

**Coach Suspensions** – U15 and U18 – head coach is suspended 1 game if team receives 40 minutes in penalties.

-U13 and under – head coach is suspended 1 game if team receives 25 minutes in penalties.

-2<sup>nd</sup> infraction = 1 game

-3<sup>rd</sup> infraction = 2 games

**Repeat Offenders** – any player accumulating 6 games or team official accumulating 4 games, will be brought before MMHA Executive Members for Discipline Hearing.

#### **42 2023-11-14**

U9 will two minute shifts for two 24 minute period. Clock doesn't stop. No score kept.

U7 will be 2 minute shifts for two 20 minute periods. Clock doesn't stop. No score kept.



**43 2024-01-16**

If a team is found to have played a suspended player/or had a suspended team staff person on the bench / scoresheet, the following consequences will be levied:

- 1) The Head Coach will receive a 3 game suspension, the team will forfeit any points to the opposing team and the team will be fined \$100.00, paid immediately to MMHA. The suspended player/team official in fault must still serve the remainder of their suspension. If this happens a second time, the suspension and fine will double and notification to NOHA will be made. A third occurrence will result in Head Coach being suspended indefinitely until a hearing of the MMHA executive is held.
- 2)

**44 2024-01-16**

Teams failing to list suspended players/team officials on Gamesheet Inc. (scoresheet), will not be able to count those games towards the suspended person's game total.