



STEP League Constitution: Referee/Official Abuse Rule

25. Referee/Official abuse rule

All minor hockey associations need to hand out this rule and have their parents and or team official's signoff on it on a yearly basis.

a. Team Officials/Players

The League will follow SHA Handbook as a minimum guideline. (Amended April 22, 2018)
(see reverse)

b. Parents/Spectators

I. If parents or spectators get ejected from the arena because of referee/official or coach abuse then they may receive a minimum of one week suspension. Minor hockey associations will be notified that this person is not allowed to attend any STEP league minor hockey games until suspension has been served.

II. If parents or spectators received a third ejection under this rule, they may be suspended for the remainder of the year from any STEP league minor hockey games.

c. Minor Hockey Associations

I. Are responsible for their team officials, parents and spectators

II. It is up to the associations to make sure the appropriate suspensions are followed.

III. A minor hockey association may lose their bond and may be on probation for one year if these suspensions are not followed.

IV. If associations lose their bond a second time, under this ruling, this association may be ejected from STEP league.

V. If your association sees a suspended person (under this rule) as a STEP league minor hockey game it is your obligation to notify STEP league

26. Social Media

a. Parents/team officials/referees and players are each responsible for what they post on social media sites.

b. Any discrimination, abuse, negative or derogatory comments towards refs, officials or other minor hockey associations on any social media site could result in suspensions from STEP league minor hockey games.

Players Name: _____ Division: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

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