

**DISTRICT 8 DISCIPLINARY ACTION POLICY**  
**PROCEDURE GUIDELINES**

The District 8 Disciplinary Action Policy and Guidelines apply to players, coaches, parents, spectators and Little League officials.

The District 8 Hearing Committee shall be convened on receipt of an appeal by any party that has been suspended. The appeal must be received in writing by the District Administrator, District Umpire-In-Chief or District Interlock Coordinator within forty-eight (48) hours of said suspension.

The District 8 Hearing Committee shall consist of the following members, or in their absence, a designated representative. All disciplinary action shall be decided by a majority vote of this Committee.

- District Administrator
- District Umpire-In-Chief / Tournament Umpire-In-Chief
- District Interlock Coordinator / Tournament Director
- Two League Presidents independent of the League(s) involved in the Hearing.  
(League Presidents will be assigned to the Committee on a rotational basis when possible.)

The District 8 or League Hearing must be held within five (5) days of the appeal.

- A more immediate time frame will be used to address incidents that occur during Tournaments.

The following parties shall be entitled to attend the Disciplinary Hearing to answer questions from the Hearing Committee and provide additional information for the Committee's consideration when deciding action to be taken.

- District Administrator
- District Umpire-In-Chief / Tournament Umpire-In-Chief
- District of League Division Director / Tournament Director
- League President or designated League representative
- All parties involved in the incident under review
- In the event a player is under review, one parent must attend with the player.

The Disciplinary Hearing shall be conducted in the following manner. Each party shall be notified of their scheduled Hearing time. Each party shall meet with the Hearing Committee separately. Each party is required to remain outside of the Hearing room until all parties have been interviewed. This will enable the Committee to verify any additional / conflicting information received during the interviews.

- Each party directly involved shall have five (5) minutes to present their views of the incident and answer questions from the Hearing Committee.
- The League President shall have five (5) minutes to express their views following their member's presentation.

The District 8 Hearing Committee decision shall be final. Appeals will not be accepted. Each party has the opportunity to present their views and pertinent information at the Hearing. In the event that any party is unable to attend the scheduled Hearing, they have the right to be represented by a designated speaker on their behalf or to submit their views in writing for the Committee's consideration.

The District 8 Hearing Committee decision may not be waived or disciplinary action reduced by any party. In the event that additional information becomes available after the Committee has met, the Hearing Committee may reopen with a majority vote of the Committee members present at the original Hearing.

League: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

President

BEHAVIOUR	DEFINED AS	PENALTY
<b>ASSAULT</b>	Intentional physical contact with force	Minimum one (1) calendar year suspension; Maximum lifetime suspension
<b>ABUSE</b>	Bumping, shoving, poking spitting, throwing equipment, name calling, discriminatory slurs, obscene gestures	Minimum three (3) consecutive games; Maximum one (1) calendar year If ejected from a game, this will count as the first game of the suspension
<b>EJECTION</b>	Based on Umpire's discretion, not covered in above	Suspended two (2) games [Game ejected plus one (1) additional game]

Repeat offenders may receive suspensions that exceed the penalties listed above. The purpose of this policy is to address the conduct of every Little League participant fairly and consistently. The decision of the District 8 Hearing Committee shall be final. Appeals of decisions will be considered by the District 8 Hearing Committee as outlined in the District 8 Disciplinary Action Policy Procedures Guidelines.