

Hockey Alberta  
Minimum Suspensions  
Information

**APPENDIX "VIII"**

RULE #	INFRACTION	MINOR	SUSPENSION LENGTH		
			JUNIOR MALE	SR./JR. FEMALE	SENIOR MALE
1.9	<b><i>Ineligible Players/Team Officials</i></b>				
2.2	Team official who is party to or had knowledge of playing a Player not properly registered with that team or properly affiliated to that team and/or allowing a Team Official who is not properly registered to that team to participate on the bench.	Indefinite	Indefinite	Indefinite	Indefinite
	Team official who is party to or had knowledge of playing a player or allows a Team Official to participate on the bench who is under suspension.	Indefinite	Indefinite	Indefinite	Indefinite
3.6	<b><i>Removing Helmet Infractions</i></b>				
	Any player who removes their chinstrap before or during a fight and a Game Misconduct is assessed.	1 Game	1 Game	1 Game	1 Game
	If a player removes his/her helmet and releases the chinstrap to fight, and the opposing player does not, and the former is assessed an additional two minute minor penalty and a Game Misconduct.	1 Game	1 Game	1 Game	1 Game
	If the player removes his/her opponent's helmet or releases the chinstrap before or during a fight. Game Misconduct is assessed.	1 Game	1 Game	1 Game	1 Game
4.1	<b><i>Pre/Post Game Altercations</i></b>				
	Any Player involved where Majors, Game Misconducts and Match Penalties are assessed.	2 Games	1 Game	2 Games	1 Game (Max 5/Team)
	Coach of the Team whose Players are so penalized.	2 Games	3 Games	Indefinite	3 Games
	Any Team involved in a pre or post game brawl.	Indefinite	Indefinite	Indefinite	Indefinite
4.6	<b><i>Game Ejection/Game Misconduct</i></b>				
	A Player assessed two (2) Game Misconducts in the same stoppage of play.	N/A	N/A	N/A	1 Game
	A player assessed three (3) or more Game Misconducts in the same stoppage of play.	N/A	N/A	N/A	Indefinite
4.7	<b><i>Gross Misconduct</i></b>	2 Games	2 Games	2 Games	2 Games

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6.1	<b>Attempt to Injure or Deliberate Injury (Match)</b>	Indefinite	Indefinite	Indefinite	Indefinite
	Deliberate Injury	3 Games	3 Games	3 Games	3 Games
	Use of Blocker	2 Games	2 Games	3 Games	2 Games
	Hair Pulling	3 Games	2 Games	3 Games	2 Games
	Kicking	2 Games	2 Games	3 Games	2 Games
	Head Butting	2 Games	2 Games	3 Games	2 Games
	Grabbing the Facemask	3 Games	2 Games	2 Games	2 Games
	Using Facial Protector as a Weapon				
6.4	<b>Checking from Behind</b>				
	Checking from behind where a five (5) minute major penalty plus a Game Misconduct is assessed.	1 Game	1 Game	1 Game	1 Game
	Checking from behind when Match penalty is assessed.	4 Games	4 Games	4 Games	2 Games
6.5	<b>Head Contact</b>				
	Head Contact where a five (5) minute major penalty plus a Game Misconduct is assessed.	1 Game	1 Game	1 Game	1 Game
	Head Contact when Match penalty is assessed.	4 Games	4 Games	4 Games	2 Games
6.7	<b>Fighting</b>				
	Any player who engages in their 1 <sup>st</sup> fight in a season. Game Misconduct is assessed.	1 Game	N/A	1 Game	N/A
	Any player who engages in their 2 <sup>nd</sup> fight in a season. Game Misconduct is assessed.	2 Games	N/A	2 Games	N/A
	Any player who engages in their 3 <sup>rd</sup> fight in a season. Game Misconduct is assessed.	Indefinite	1 Game	Indefinite	1 Game
	Any player who engages in their 4 <sup>th</sup> fight in a season. Game Misconduct is assessed.	N/A	2 Games	N/A	2 Games
	Any player who engages in their 5 <sup>th</sup> fight in a season. Game Misconduct is assessed.	N/A	3 Games	N/A	3 Games
	Any player who engages in their 6 <sup>th</sup> fight in a season. Game Misconduct is assessed.	N/A	Indefinite	N/A	Indefinite
	Instigator or Aggressor of a Fight.				
	First Offence	1 Game	Game Misc.	Game Misc.	Game Misc.
	Second Offence	2 Games	1 Game	1 Game	1 Game
	Third Offence	3 Games	3 Games	3 Games	3 Games
	The coach of the Team whose player is penalized for a third offence of Instigator or Aggressor.				3 Games

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	Any Player wearing a ring or rings, tape or any other material on his/her hands who becomes involved in a fight and who uses such to gain an advantage or to inflict punishment and/or injury shall be assessed a Match Penalty in addition to any other penalties he/she may incur.	2 Games	2 Games	2 Games	2 Games
	Third man in a fight that is assessed a Game Misconduct.	2 Games	1 Game	2 Games	1 Game
	Any Player receiving a fighting major and Game Misconduct penalty which is a result of a second or subsequent fight during the same stoppage of play.	2 Games	1 Game	2 Games	1 Game
	<b>Stick Fouls (Match)</b>				
8.1	Butt Ending	3 Games	2 Games	2 Games	2 Games
8.2	Cross Checking	3 Games	2 Games	2 Games	2 Games
8.3	High Stick	3 Games	2 Games	2 Games	2 Games
8.4	Slashing	3 Games	2 Games	2 Games	2 Games
8.5	Spearing	3 Games	2 Games	3 Games	2 Games
9.2	<b>Harassment of Officials/Unsportsmanlike Conduct</b>				
	Verbal Abuse of Officials (Zero Tolerance) when a Game Misconduct is assessed.	2 Games	1 Game	2 Games	1 Game
	Verbal taunts, insults or intimidation based on discriminatory grounds (race, ethnicity, religion, gender, sexual orientation, language) when a Gross Misconduct is assessed.	Indefinite	Indefinite	Indefinite	Indefinite
9.5	<b>Leaving a bench for the Purpose of Fighting</b>				
	Any player identified as the first to leave the players' bench during a fight.	2 Games	2 Games	2 Games	2 Games
	Any player identified as the first to leave the penalty bench during a fight.	3 Games	3 Games	3 Games	3 Games
	The Coach of the team whose player is penalized under the above two points.	3 Games	3 Games	3 Games	2 Games
	The Coach whose player left the bench but is not identified as the first to leave the players or penalty bench during an on-ice altercation.	1 Game	1 Game	1 Game	1 Game
	Any player identified as being the first to leave the players' bench to start a fight.	3 Games	3 Games	3 Games	3 Games
	Any player identified as being the first to leave the penalty bench to start a fight.	N/A	4 Games	N/A	4 Games

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	The Coach of the team whose player is penalized under the above two points.	First Offence Second Offence Third Offence	Game Misc. 2 Games 3 Games	N/A N/A N/A	Game Misc. 2 Games 3 Games	N/A N/A N/A
9.6	<b>Physical Harassment of Official (Match)</b>					
	Threaten or attempt to strike		1 Month	1 Month	1 Month	1 Month
	Intentionally touches, holds or pushes		3 Months	3 Months	3 Months	3 Months
	Intentionally strike, trip or body check		1 Year	1 Year	1 Year	1 Year
9.7	<b>Spitting (Match)</b>					
	Spitting on or at an Official or Team Official		8 Games	1 Month	1 Month	1 Month
	Spitting on or at an Opponent		3 Games	2 Games	2 Games	2 Games
10.14	<b>Refusing to Start Play</b>		Indefinite	Indefinite	Indefinite	Indefinite

In all Hockey, any Player or Team Official who is assessed a Minor Penalty and a Game Misconduct or a Major and a Game Misconduct or any other infraction resulting in a Game Misconduct/Gross Misconduct penalty that occurs in the last ten (10) minutes of regular time or any overtime or at the conclusion of the game and prior to the Player or Team Official entering his/her dressing room shall automatically be suspended for a minimum of the next regular League / Playoff / Pre-Season / Tournament / Provincial Game. This is in addition to any other suspensions directed by HA Minor Hockey Minimum Suspensions.