



## **VIOLATION OF SANCTION RULES**

Violations of sanction rules are to be administered by Ringette Ontario. Fines are issued to the Club. In the case of Independent Teams and/or athletes and/or coaches, the fine will be issued to the individual (athlete) or head coach listed on TRF (team).

Fines may be assessed after the sanctioned events if violations are found.

### **1. TOURNAMENT HOST SANCTION RULES:**

**The following fines shall be levied for each violation of the administrative sanction rules.**

***Note:** The consequences for non-compliance of any rule will be a fine up to a maximum of \$500 for each violation, unless otherwise specified. The fine amount is at the discretion of the Ringette Ontario Operations Director in consultation with the Ringette Ontario Program Manager.*

- Host not posting tournament schedule at least two (2) weeks before the event, without notifying Ringette Ontario of the delay.
- Host accepting over approved number of teams - \$100.00 for violation and \$25/team over approved number, up to maximum of \$500.
- Host not submitting list of officials a minimum of one (1) week prior to the start of the event.
- The use of shootouts for anything other than to determine a winner in a tie game during 3 on 3 tournaments.
- Adding or folding division(s) without written approval from Ringette Ontario Program Manager
- Use of unapproved competition format without written approval from Ringette Ontario Program Manager prior to schedule release

Any association fined for violation of sanction rules shall be under review by Ringette Ontario to determine whether they shall retain the right to host another Ringette Ontario Sanctioned Event.

### **2. PARTICIPANT RULES:**

**There will be a \$100.00 per game fine levied and forfeiture of the game for each violation of the participant sanction rules applying to players, teams, and bench staff.**

**Examples (not limited to):**

- Participant not registered in the RAMP registration system for current playing season
- Participant not registered and activated in the RAMP registration system in the category in which they are participating (i.e. registered as an official, but not as a player)
- Player found to have played in more than one (1) Championship Event.
- Team not adhering to substitution rules (for players and/or bench staff)
- Player found to have played for more than one (1) team in the same event or at more



than one (1) event on the same weekend.

- Bench Staff/Officials found to have incorrect qualification.
- Player/Team/Bench staff participating in regularly scheduled games while under Ringette Ontario suspension or in bad standing with their Club and/or Ringette Ontario.
- Ineligible bench staff (non-registered, infants, manager, no qualified female on the bench, etc)

Any Player/Bench Staff/Official fined for violation of sanction rules shall be under review by the Ringette Ontario Operations Director to determine whether they shall retain the right to participate in another Ringette Ontario Sanctioned Event.

### **3. WITHDRAWING FROM SANCTION EVENTS AND/OR CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS**

Teams withdrawing from a tournament after the withdrawal deadline and before the tournament schedule is posted shall be fined the equivalent of the team entry fees (payable to Ringette Ontario) with the tournament host keeping the non-refundable team entry fees.

Teams withdrawing from a tournament after the withdrawal deadline and after the tournament schedule is posted will pay the team entry fees (non-refundable) and will be fined as per the forfeit of the game sanctions outlined below for each guaranteed game, as they will be considered to forfeit their games.

Associations withdrawing from Championship Events after the withdraw deadline of **DECEMBER 15th** of the current season shall be fined \$1000.00 in addition to the Administrative and Team Entry Fees, which are non-refundable.

### **4. FORFEIT GAME DURING TOURNAMENT**

Any team who voluntarily forfeits a game during a tournament, regardless of the time in the game of the forfeiture, will not be eligible to proceed to semi-final or final games. In a forfeited game, the score will be 4-0. The team forfeiting shall receive zero (0) points, and the other team receives two (2) points in the standings.

In an abandoned game where a team chooses to leave the ice during the game, the score will be 7-0. The team abandoning the game shall receive zero (0) points and the other team receives two (2) points.

Teams that voluntarily forfeit or abandon a game during a tournament will be fined five hundred (\$500.00) dollars per game. Half of this amount will be awarded to Ringette Ontario and half to the opposing team.

In a cancelled game (due to bad weather, etc.) the score is recorded as 0-0 with both teams receiving one (1) point in the standings. There is no fine assessed for a cancelled game.