



ROANOKE VALLEY ADULT HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Roanoke, Virginia

RVAHA Penalty Policy

The RVAHA has adopted the following guidelines concerning penalties that occur during RVAHA 2008-2009 sanctioned games.

Game Misconduct – No board review (*New change effective Jan 1, 2005*)

Players receiving a game misconduct with no board review are suspended that game and one additional game suspension during next scheduled game.

Game Misconduct – Board Review Required (BRR)

(Severity of infraction dictates whether board review required)

1. Players receiving their first game misconduct (BRR) in the season will have to serve a minimum of one additional game suspension(s) during next scheduled game(s).
2. Players receiving their second game misconduct (BRR) in the season will have to serve a minimum of 2 additional game suspensions during next scheduled games.
3. Players receiving their third game misconduct (BRR) in the season are ejected for the season.
4. Board review is not needed on game misconduct penalties unless requested by the referee. If board review is requested, additional penalties, including game suspension and up to season ejection, can be administered.

Late Game Penalties

Players receiving major or misconduct penalties with less than 5 minutes left of playing time will serve a two minute minor (shorthanded) penalty at the beginning of their next scheduled game. If that player is not there for that game, the captain will designate a player to serve the penalty.

Fighting Penalties

Players receiving a penalty for fighting will receive a game misconduct plus an automatic additional 3 game suspension. The RVAHA will further review the incident to determine if additional suspension including season ejection is warranted.

Intent to Injure

The RVAHA board investigates all Intent to Injure penalties. Minimum penalty is 5 game suspension. The RVAHA will further review the incident to determine if additional suspension including season ejection is warranted. This includes actions against players, referees, coaches, off-ice officials, rink staff, and fans.

Match Penalties

The RVAHA board investigates all Match Penalties. Minimum penalty is 5 game suspension. The RVAHA will further review the incident to determine if additional suspension including season ejection is warranted.

Late Season Penalties

1. Late season penalties not completely served will be carried over to the next RVAHA season.
2. The RVAHA board will investigate late season (including playoffs) penalties to determine if additional penalties are needed.

A team captain or assistant captain will have the opportunity to represent the player during board investigations. All captains (or assistant captain) will have voting privileges in board hearings. Players will not be entitled to reimbursement for games missed due to penalties incurred.

The RVAHA Board reserves the right to issue additional disciplinary action including but not limited to suspension for the rest of the season based on the severity of the infraction.

Thanks for your attention and understanding. The RVAHA was created to provide competitive ice hockey in a safe, fun environment for all players, referees, coaches, off-ice officials, rink staff, and fans attending games.

Signature _____ Date _____