

Officiating Policies

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I, _____, understand that when I am contracted by TAIHO Refs, Inc, to officiate games, I will conduct myself in accordance with the following:

Code Of Conduct Policy

USA Hockey

On-Ice Officials Code of Conduct

- Act in a professional and businesslike manner at all times and take your role seriously.
- Strive to provide a safe and sportsmanlike environment in which players can properly display their hockey skills.
- Know all playing rules, their interpretations and their proper application.
- Remember that officials are teachers. Set a good example.
- Make your calls with quiet confidence, never with arrogance.
- Control games only to the extent that is necessary to provide

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- positive and safe experience for all participants.
- Violence should never be tolerated.
- Be fair and impartial at all times.
- Answer all reasonable questions and requests.
- Adopt a “zero tolerance” attitude toward verbal or physical abuse.
- Never use foul or vulgar language when speaking with a player, coach or parent.
- Use honesty and integrity when answering questions.
- Admit your mistakes when you make them.
- Never openly criticize a coach, player or other official.
- Keep your emotions under control.
- Use only USA Hockey-approved officiating techniques and policies.
- Maintain your health through a physical conditioning program.
- Dedicate yourself to personal improvement and maintenance of your officiating skills.
- Respect your supervisor and his/her critique of your performance.

Appearance Dress Code

When an official enters the facility where the official is contracted to officiate games, he/she will maintain a clean appearance and attire. Open toes shoes, cutoff shorts, sleeveless shirts, and ball caps are not considered appropriate. All tournament assignments require shirts with collars and pants.

Additionally, I understand the following:

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Game Policy

Ranking

A ranking system, in addition to the USA Hockey Levels, will be utilized to enable the best service to the programs. Rankings will be based on evaluations conducted throughout the season, however your initial ranking will be assigned. All officials have the right to be evaluated throughout the season and copies of the evaluations will be given to the officials.

Games will be assigned based on your ranking number; the ranking identifies what officials will be assigned certain games first. Your ranking number may change during the season, and more importantly, officials are not locked into a certain level of play from the ranking number.

Scheduling & Game Assignments Policy

From the various ranking levels, the scheduler will pick first from the corresponding group for that particular level game based on availability.

Example: If there is a GNASH game, then those officials who are ranked for GNASH games will be first be assigned to the game.

If the game cannot be filled with proper ranking official, then pairing of one 'correct' level official(s) with an official(s) of a different level will be utilized.

Switching Assigned Games

Once the games are assigned, any changes or substitutions to the games must be redirected through the scheduler. If an official switches games without going through the scheduler, the incident will be reviewed by the board for any corrective action. Persistent violators will be subject to a suspension from working games.

No Show

When a no show occurs and the game has less than the contracted amount of officials, then the official(s) who neglected the assignment will be fined the amount that official slot would pay. Half of the fine will be paid to the official(s) who worked the game and the balance of the fine will be placed in the operating fund of TAIHO.

If there is another official that covered the no show, then the official that was scheduled and did not show will be fined half the amount that official slot would pay. This fine will be deposited into the operating fund of TAIHO.

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Payment

Once the game is complete, the official(s) must sign the game scoresheet to complete the game. If you do not sign the game sheet, you have not completed your service and forgo any game fees. Game sheets will be checked monthly in order to correctly bill the customer. Once all customers have paid the monthly invoice, checks will be assigned to those officials that worked games.

TAIHO Patch

All officials working TAIHO assigned games will wear the TAIHO number patch. This patch is to be displayed on the sleeve of the right arm about two inches down from the shoulder.

I have read and fully understand and accept the above Code of Conduct and Game Policy.

signature

Date _____

print name

legal guardian

RETURN TO:

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