

PROPOSAL FOR NDAHA MEETINGS

BY-LAW (Heading):

RULE/REGULATION (Heading): Game Officials

MAIN SECTION: Article X:

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CURRENT WORDING: ARTICLE X: GAME OFFICIALS

A. Two (2) USA Hockey, Inc. registered referees or one (1) registered referee and two (2) registered linesmen will be required for all league games and tournament games. Whichever system is selected for a state tournament must be used throughout the entire tournament. Selection of tournament referee systems will be made by the tournament committee at the winter meeting.

B. There will be four (4) state sponsored referee seminars before the end of October (one in each District) to be rotated within the district. The NDAHA will pay the administrative fee of \$300.00 per state sponsored referee seminar to the NDHOA. Any community wanting to sponsor its own additional referee seminar must be responsible for all cost and administration of the seminar. Coordination with District and NDAHA Referee-in-Chief is mandatory. Deadline date for any official to be certified shall be November 30th of the playing year.

C. A list of approved officials and their level shall be sent to the League Coordinators, Tournament Officials, Team Representatives, and the District Referee-in-Chief by December 1st of the playing year. Referees that are certified must wear the certification patch and carry the identification card at all USA Hockey, Inc. games. All USA Hockey Officials will comply with the USA Hockey Screening Policy.

D. All on-ice referees shall be USA Hockey, Inc. certified for the current playing season and shall be classified as follows:

Level 4: Eligible to referee all classifications

Level 3: Eligible to referee at Junior C and below classifications

Level 2: Eligible to referee at age 14 and below classifications

Level 1: Eligible to referee at age 12 and below classifications

Level 1, 2, and 3 officials working like age games or above must be paired with a minimum of one (1) senior level 3 official and be approved by the District Supervisor of Officials.

E. Only USA Hockey, Inc. Level 3 or higher certified shall be used in and for State Tournament play and shall be assigned by the State RIC with input from the nominations given by the District Supervisor of Officials.

F. Any official that wants to attend a National Camp or apply to work a National Tournament must have an evaluation to be considered as eligible. Contact the State RIC.

SPECIFIC WORDING OF PROPOSAL: ARTICLE X: GAME OFFICIALS

A. Two (2) USA Hockey, Inc. registered referees or one (1) registered referee and two (2) registered linesmen or two (2) registered referees and two (2) registered linesmen will be required for all league games and tournament games. Whichever system is selected for a state tournament must be used throughout the entire tournament. Selection of tournament officiating systems will be made by the tournament committee at the winter meeting.

B. Multiple seminars will be held throughout each District before the end of October. Additional

seminars will be held in each District for prospective officials where schedules allow. Any community wanting to sponsor its own additional officiating seminar must coordinate with the NDAHA State Referee-in-Chief and USA Hockey District Seminar Coordinator. The deadline for the certification process is set by USA Hockey. All certification requirements must be met prior to officiating NDAHA sanctioned games.

C. A list of approved officials and their level can be obtained by contacting the NDAHA State Referee-in-Chief. Referees that are certified must wear the current season certification patch and carry the identification card at all USA Hockey, Inc. games. All USA Hockey officials will comply with the USA Hockey Screening and Safesport policies.

D. All on-ice referees shall be USA Hockey certified for the current playing season and shall be classified as follows:

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E. Only USA Hockey, Inc. Level 3 or higher certified officials shall be used in and for State Tournament play. Said officials shall be assigned by the NDAHA State Referee-in Chief with input from the nominations given by the NDAHA District Supervisors of Officials.

F. Any official wanting to attend a USA Hockey Officials Development Camp or apply to work in a USA Hockey National Championship, must have an evaluation to be considered eligible. Contact the NDAHA State Referee-in Chief for information on these opportunities.

INTENTION OF PROPOSAL: Housekeeping – clean up this section

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