

# **Utah High School Hockey**

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# Introduction Utah High School Hockey Policies & Procedures

This manual has been prepared to qualify and quantify many of the aspects of participation in the Utah High School Hockey, Inc., (UHSH), ice hockey program. In mostcases it is intended to be the final "arbiter" of issues and disputes. While some changes may be welcome if they can be shown to enhance the experience of all high school ice hockey players, it is important that most rules and regulations not be manipulated without careful thought as to the long-range benefits. The UHSH program has survived and thrived for 40 years by maintaining a stable management environment.

The program has changed dramatically since its inception with four teams in 1975, and it will continue to change as new arenas, new players, (including the very real probability of girls teams), and new national policies and rules come into being. However, the basic tenants of the program are as sound today as in the past. They are what has made and will continue to make the program work. Changing rules and regulations to improve the program should be lauded. Tinkering with some very basic issues, however, could easily result in devastating changes of direction. Such tinkering should be pursued with great caution and skepticism.

Beware of individuals espousing changes, which "do not hurt" anyone but will "help" an individual or very small group of individuals. This is usually false and is put forth not with the intent of benefiting all participants but of enhancing the lot of a few now, oftentimes at the expense of the whole later on. Whether the total group benefits is generally not of concern to these people. Such requests should also be viewed with great caution and skepticism. Proposals need to first be discussed in a regularly scheduled trustee meeting and voted on in the subsequent monthly meeting.

Our first and foremost goal should be to provide a healthy and safe environment for our children to have fun. If we as trustees and coaches have any other reason for participating which takes precedence over this, we are in the wrong position. Any player who participates in UHSH programs should be of concern to all. His or her welfare, safety, and happiness should be the overriding goal of each of us.



# **UHSH Tax Status**

# 1.1 Tax Exempt Status

- A. UHSH is a 501(c)(3) Utah Non-Profit Corporation.
- B. Donations to UHSH are 100% tax deductible.
- C. UHSH pays no Federal or State income taxes.



# **State Sales Tax Exemption**

# 2.1 Sales Tax Exempt

A. UHSH is Sales Tax exempt in the State of Utah. The Utah High School Hockey, Inc. State Sales Tax Exemption Number is #N10823.

#### 2.2 Sales Tax Collection

- A. Unless a member team makes a purchase over \$1,000.00, sales tax will be collected at the time of purchase. For amounts under \$1,000.00, teams should keep their receipts and submit them to the treasurer for credit for the sales tax, which will be reimbursed then to UHSH by the State of Utah.
- B. Receipts must show <u>UTAH HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY, INC.</u>, as the purchaser.



# **Utah High School Athletics Association**

# 3.1 Utah High School Athletic Association, (UHSAA)

A. UHSH is in no way sanctioned, supported or governed by the UHSAA. UHSAA does not recognize the existence of ice hockey as a high school sport.



# **Accident Insurance**

#### 4.1 Excess Accident Insurance

A. All UHSH players, coaches and volunteers shall be required to be members of USA Hockey. Any associated fees shall be paid through the USA Hockey online registration. By registering as a member of USA Hockey, you've automatically enrolled in the USA Hockey insurance program.

# 4.2 Coverage

A. Coverages as well as claim procedures are explained on the USA Hockey website.



# **Registration Application**

#### 5.1 Process

- A. In order to be eligible to participate in UHSH-sanctioned activities, each trustee, coach and player must complete and submit to UHSH, all applicable registration application materials as determined by UHSH, UAHA and USA Hockey.
- B. Each trustee, coach and player must comply with all eligibility requirements of UHSH, UAHA and USA Hockey.



# **Screening**

# 6.1 Screening

- A. All Utah High School Coach or Volunteer applicants 18 years of age or older shall be required to undergo a screening review as per the UHSH/UAHA prior to application.
- B. The cost of this screening shall be paid by the individual team for which the applicant is requesting the position.



# **Program Trustees**

#### 7.1 Utah High School Hockey Policy Statement

"It shall be the policy of UHSH that the person designated as the "program trustee" shall be the person in ultimate authority over that program and shall be answerable only to the UHSH board of trustees for his/her actions or those of the team, players, and/or coaches."

# 7.2 Trustee Authority

- A. The program trustee is answerable to the UHSH board of trustees. He/she may designate certain duties and responsibilities to others, but ultimately will be held responsible to the board of trustees for the safety, welfare, financial well-being and behavior of the team(s) under that trustee's control. All coaches, players, employees and other volunteers shall be under the jurisdiction of the program trustee with which they work and are involved.
- B. All trustees to agree to participate in the monthly board of trustees meeting. Should a trustee miss more than three (3) meetings in a row without designating a representative to attend, that trustee's continued participation will come before the board of trustees for review.
- C. A trustee may be removed from his or her position only by a 2/3 majority vote of the entire UHSH Board of Trustees, whether in attendance at the meeting wherein the removal is contemplated or not.
- D. The trustee shall appoint a head coach and may appoint assistant coaches. The trustee may remove any coach, volunteer or at-will employee at any time or may assign duties as he/she sees fit.
- E. No currently registered UHSH player may act as a program trustee.
- F. No person may act as a program trustee until such time as that person has reached the age of 21.

# 7.3 Registration

- A. All trustees must complete all registration material as set each season and located on the UHSH website.
- B. All trustees will complete registration material and a UHSH/UAHA approved background screening before participating as a trustee.
- C. All trustees will complete any training as required by USA Hockey necessary for volunteers.



#### **Team Bank Accounts**

#### 8.1 Team Bank Accounts

A. Each UHSH program is required to open a bank account. The account should read as follows:

Utah High School Hockey, Inc. dba "School Name" Hockey "Address" Federal ID # 87-0487027

# 8.2 Utah High School Hockey President/Treasurer

A. Each team bank account should have as signatory the president and/or treasurer of UHSH. A blank check with "Void" written across the face shall be filed with the treasurer. The president of UHSH may remove funds in the event the trustee fails to make timely payments, is incapacitated, or dies.



# Accounting/Billing/Fee Payment

#### 9.1 Accounting

A. UHSH shall provide a statement of account to each team, on a monthly basis during the season and once at the end of the season. No team owing funds from previous years shall be allowed to participate in the current season until such time as such accounts in arrears are made current.

#### 9.2 Billing

- A. All teams will be billed, at the beginning of the season, for fees due in the amount set by the board of trustees. Teams failing to make timely payments as required by UHSH shall be suspended from further participation until such time as the fees are brought current. UHSH may also invoice from time to time for any expenses incurred by the team, such as background checks, additional ice, etc. Teams failing to pay by the due date on the invoice, which shall not be less than 30 days from date of invoice, shall be suspended from further participation until such time as the fees are brought current. Additional action as the board of trustees may determine may be taken against the trustee of any team owing monies to UHSH.
- B. Each trustee will sign the assignment of funds due each season.



## **UHSH Websites**

#### 10.1 Website

A. UHSH websites are the property of UHSH. Trustees are permitted to post items of interest on their team specific site. No photos, videos or stories of a detrimental nature or advertisements for tobacco, alcohol, e-cigarettes or pornographic materials are permitted.



# **Team Rules**

# 11.1 Purpose

- A. Each program shall establish from time to time a published set of "team rules" and supply a copy to the UHSH secretary and the UHSH disciplinary committee chairperson.
- B. Each set of team rules shall be signed by the player and parent/guardian and shall be kept by the trustee until the end of the season for which they were established.



# **Parent's Code of Conduct**

# 12.1 Parent's Code of Conduct

A. UHSH will utilize the Parent's Code of Conduct as per USA Hockey.



# **Spectator's Code of Conduct**

# 13.1 Policy Statement

A. It is the policy of UHSH that all spectators adhere to the current USA Hockey Spectator's Code of Conduct.



#### Coaches

#### 14.1 Coach's Code of Conduct

A. It shall be the policy of UHSH that all coaches participating in any UHSH-sanctioned activity shall read, understand and agree to adhere to and be bound by all provisions of the "Coach's Code of Conduct", No coach shall be allowed to participate in UHSH until he/she has completed all applicable registration materials and has executed a copy of the "Coach's Code of Conduct".

## 14.2 Appointing Head Coaches

- A. All varsity teams must designate one and only one head coach for each team. Co-head coaches are not permitted.
- B. All head coaches shall be appointed to that position by the UHSH trustee administering the applicable program and shall be subject to the approval of the UHSH board of trustees.
- C. All head coaches shall serve subject to the approval of the team trustee and the UHSH Board of Trustees.

#### 14.3 Assistant Coaches

- A. Assistant coaches shall be appointed to their positions by either the trustee or the head coach of the program in which the prospective assistant coach wishes to participate, (as determined by the trustee), and shall be subject to approval by the UHSH board of trustees.
- B. No currently registered UHSH player may act in any coaching capacity for UHSH.

# 14.4 Removal from Coaching Position

A. Any coach may be removed from his/her position, for any reason whatsoever, by either the trustee of the program in which he/she participates, or by the UHSH board of trustees.

# 14.5 Training

All coaches shall complete any training or other requirements imposed by USA Hockey to be included on the team's 1-T roster. Said requirements shall be completed in accordance with the time mandated by USA Hockey (or Utah Amateur Hockey Association) and no coach shall be permitted to participate in on-ice activities if the coach is not included on the 1-T roster. [May 2021]

# 14.6 Age Limitations



- A. In order to act as a UHSH head coach, a person must reach the age of twenty one (21) during the current season.
- B. In order to act as a UHSH assistant coach, a person must reach the age of 19 during the current season.

## 14.7 Registration

A. All coaches and assistant coaches must complete a copy of the Utah Amateur Hockey Association "Volunteer/Coaching Application" prior to acting in any coaching capacity for UHSH. [B. and C. Deleted in May 2021]



# **Emergency Coaches**

#### 15.1 Emergency Coaches

- A. Should a team determine that it cannot have a team-registered coach on its bench for a particular game, it shall be the policy of UHSH that the trustee of that program may request another coach be present on an emergency basis under the following:
  - 1. The requested replacement coach is registered as a coach with another team under the jurisdiction of UHSH;
  - 2. The requested replacement coach is a USA Hockey certified coach at the time of his/her appearing on the bench for the requesting team;
  - 3. The requested replacement coach is not under suspension at the time of the game;
  - 4. The requesting team do so only on a sporadic basis;
  - 5. The requested replacement coach shall not be subject to suspension for any actions of the requesting team, and;
  - 6. The requesting team shall fill any permanent head coaching vacancy within 14 days of notification that the existing head coach is no longer available.



# **Immediate Suspension of Coach/Trustee**

#### 16.1 Automatic & Immediate Suspension of Coach/Trustee

- A. Any coach or trustee arrested or charged for any of the following shall be immediately and automatically suspended from all positions and participation in any UHSH-sanctioned event and from coming into direct contact with any minor player when such player is participating in any UHSH- sanctioned event, until such time as that person has been exonerated of the charges. If a person is advised that they are the subject of a criminal investigation of any of the following, the person shall immediately notify the president of Utah High School Hockey who shall take appropriate action: [May 2021]
  - 1. Driving under the influence of alcohol
  - 2. Alcohol-related reckless driving
  - 3. Furnishing alcohol or tobacco a minor
  - 4. Possession of a controlled substance
  - 5. Possession of a controlled substance with the intent to distribute
  - 6. Distribution of a controlled substance
  - 7. Child abuse homicide
  - 8. Abuse or neglect of a child
  - 9. Aggravated sexual abuse of a child
  - 10. Dealing in material harmful to a minor
  - 11. Sexual exploitation of a minor
  - 12. Assault/battery on a mentally retarded person
  - 13. Assault or battery
  - 14. Aggravated assault
  - 15. Child abuse
  - 16. Child sexual abuse
  - 17. Forcible sexual abuse



- 18. Rape
- 19. Aggravated rape
- 20. Homicide/negligent homicide
- 21. Kidnapping/child kidnapping
- 22. Aggravated kidnapping
- 23. Rape/object rape of a child
- 24. Sale of a child
- 25. Custodial interference
- 26. Assault/battery on a minor child
- 27. Manslaughter
- 28. Intent to commit any of the above crimes
- B. Any coach or trustee convicted of any of the crimes mentioned in 41.1.A. above, (including any period of appeal), shall be automatically and immediately suspended from all positions and participation in any UHSH-sanctioned event and from coming into direct contact with any minor player when such player is participating in any UHSH-sanctioned event, until such time as that person has completed all aspects of sentencing, including any probationary period and has been interviewed by the president of UHSH. The president shall then make recommendation to the UHSH board of trustees that it:
  - 1. Allow the person to participate with no restrictions;
  - 2. Allow the person to participate with restrictions: or,
  - 3. Not allow the person to participate.

Any person receiving a vote to not allow participation may petition the UHSH board of trustees for reexamination not earlier than one year after such a vote. There shall be no appeal of this vote.

C. This section is not intended to assess guilt or innocence of any individual charged with a crime. That decision is to be left up to the courts. The purposes of this section is to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the minor participants is not compromised in any way.

# 16.2 Sexual Abuse of a Minor



A. No person who has been convicted of any crime involving sexual abuse of a minor shall be allowed to ever participate as a trustee, coach or hold any other position with UHSH which would involve any contact with or control over any minor child under the jurisdiction of UHSH.



# **Drug Related Issues**

# 17.1 Use Sale or Distribution of Controlled Substances, Illegal Drugs, Alcohol & Tobacco Products

A. UHSH has a zero tolerance policy for abuse of any controlled substances, illegal drugs, alcohol or tobacco products. UHSH will follow all USA Hockey policies and procedures, rules and regulation in this matter.



# **Player Eligibility**

#### 18.1 Eligibility

- A. Except as specifically provided below, any high school student shall be given an equal opportunity to participate in UHSH programs, subject to the following qualifications;
- B. The individual is a full-time high school student enrolled at a three or four year accreditedUtah high school which sponsors an affiliated (pure) team. Unless specifically directed bythe board and except in the case of goaltenders entering a Goalie pool, no student may participate on any team other than the one affiliated with or sponsored by the high school which the individual is attending and no student may participate in more than one UHSH affiliated or independent team without prior approval of the Board.
- C. The individual is a full-time high school student enrolled at a three or four year accreditedUtah high school which does not sponsor an affiliated (pure) team or where insufficient participants are available to field an affiliated (pure) team shall play for an independent team.
- D. Any additional terms of eligibility as adopted by the board from time to time.

# 18.2 Ineligibility: Players are Ineligible to Participate if They Meet One or More of the Following Criteria:

- A. No high school student shall be eligible to play UHSH ice hockey for any reason or under any circumstance for more than four non-divisible, non-cumulative, consecutive seasons whether or not a season is utilized by the student. These seasons shall commence when a student enrolls, as a freshman or 9th Grade student, at a Utah or an out of state high school, special school, alternative school, charter school, prep school, private school, or equivalent, or when an individual remains in a junior high or middle school as a freshman;
- B. No individual who is a graduate of a regular three- or four-year high school or similar secondary school shall be eligible to participate in any UHSH program as a player;
- C. No student shall be eligible to participate in UHSH unless he or she is enrolled as a full-time student in an accredited Utah school at the affiliated (pure) school for which the student would play or, if on an independent team, at the Utah, middle school, charter school, alternative school, prep school, special school, private school or equivalent. To comply with this section, enrollment in these classes must be through the appropriate school attended by the student.
- D. Those high school students graduating mid-year are no longer full-time students and therefore, are not eligible to play on a varsity high school hockey team, effective on their last day of attending classes full-time.



- E. No student shall be permitted to participate in any UHSH activity unless in good standing at the school which the student is attending;
- F. No otherwise eligible individual may participate in any UHSH sponsored activity if that individual receives any funds or other valuable compensation for playing;
- G. No student shall be permitted to participate if convicted of a felony as that term is defined or used in the statutes of the State of Utah:
- H. No student shall be permitted to participate in any UHSH activity at a specific arena if that student has been banned from that arena by the management;
- I. No student shall be permitted to participate if they turn 20 before December 31st of thecurrent season;
- J. No player may participate in any UHSH-sanctioned activity unless he/she complies withall of the following:
  - 1. Paid all current and applicable fees.
  - 2. Completed, executed and submitted all appropriate registration materials.
  - 3. Is rostered on a UHSH-sanctioned member team.
  - 4. Adheres to the bylaws and policies and procedures of UHSH.
  - 5. Adheres to Team Rules.
- K. Individuals recruited from outside the state of Utah for participation in any Utah Hockey activity within the state of Utah shall not be eligible to participate in any UHSH activity. No billeted players may participate in UHSH, billeted is defined as players who come from outside the state of Utah who are living with a family which is not their own and mayor may not be paying a fee to the family they are living with, considered a billet fee, for the sole purpose of playing with a travel team within the state of Utah. These players are exempt from participation in UHSH.
- L. A player who becomes rostered as a player or becomes a "practice player" on a team purporting to represent an institution of higher education or a "junior" team in the USPHL or equivalent team shall permanently give up their high school eligibility. Any player who has, before the 2022-2023 season, been so rostered or served as a practice player shall retain their eligibility but shall lose their eligibility for high school participation if they again become rostered as a player or become a practice player after this provision is enacted
- M. A player rostered on a team registered under an affiliated of USA Hockey other than the Utah Amateur Hockey Association shall not be eligible to participate in high school hockey unless the player attends a Utah high school in person (rather than online) or, if the student is an



- online or homeschooled, the player is physically present at the Utah residence for 85% of the days during the high school season.
- N. The board from time to time may deem players and or teams ineligible for failure to adhere to UHSH bylaws and policies and procedures and/or USA Hockey bylaws and policies and procedures.

#### 18.3 Certification

A. Any UHSH eligible player and his/her parent or guardian shall, from time to time and upon reasonable notification from the eligibility committee, be required to certify and establish his or her eligibility to participate in the programs of UHSH, to the satisfaction of the eligibility committee.

#### 18.4 Recruiting

A. Neither UHSH nor its member programs shall actively or otherwise recruit, or attempt to recruit, players from outside it's or their jurisdiction of influence, attempt to influence, aid or abet such players in the submittal of falsified registration information of such a nature as to deceive or attempt to deceive the UHSH or the UAHA registrar in registering players with an improper UHSH program. UHSH and its programs will cooperate with UAHA in reviewing and investigating all allegations regarding such conduct.

# 18.5 Informational Basis for Determinations

A. Decisions made by the UHSH eligibility committee and/or board of trustees as to player eligibility are subject to alteration, change, revision, rescission or modification at any time should additional information, facts or circumstances become known to the eligibility committee and/or board of trustees or should facts, information or circumstances upon which the decision was originally made change or vary from those originally presented or are found to have been untrue or misrepresented. The acceptance of payment by UHSH or member teams of a payment from any individual shall not stop the UHSH Board from altering, changing, revising, rescinding or modifying a previous determination as to eligibility.

# 18.6 Players Registered in a Home School Program

- A. Subject to subsection B., a student enrolled full time in a school which only offers online instruction, or who is homeschooled, shall play for the boundary public high school as established by the school district if that school has an affiliated hockey program through UHSH. If the boundary school does not have an affiliated team, the student shall play for the independent team which is assigned the geographic area containing the student's residence.
- B. For purposes of subsection A, players registered with Utah High School Hockey for the 2021-2022 season shall register as follows: players entering the 9th or 10th grade shall register for the affiliated hockey program associated with the boundary of their residence, and players



entering the 11th or 12th grades shall register for the independent team they have been playing for. Players may make a request for an exception to these registration guidelines. Affiliated teams may opt not to accept such students for the 2021-2022 season but must allow boundary home school and online students to register commencing in the 2022-2023 season. [July 2021]

#### 18.7 Playoff Eligibility

- A. All players must be registered and rostered to a UHSH team and have paid all applicable fees prior to 12/1 to be eligible to participate in playoff games.
- B. A minimum of 3 Varsity games played are required for playoff eligibility.
- C. The player must meet both A & B requirements above, should they fail to meet one of the requirements, then D is available.
- D. Limited appeal process to eligibility committee. Players who for some reason do not meet the requirements in A & B above can appeal to the eligibility committee. A written appeal must be submitted to the eligibility committee. The appeal must include the reasoning as to why the player failed to meet both requirements A & B above and why their case should be considered for review.

# 18.8 Goaltender Eligibility & Goaltender Pool

- A. Each year UHSH will form a goaltender pool as per below:
- B. Each year the UHSH Board may elect, prior to the beginning of the season to offer a pool goaltender option during the regular season. Any goaltender may be submitted to be a participant of the UHSH goalie pool. If any team throughout the season has a need for a goalie for a single game they may contact the blind pool administrator (as will be designated by UHSH) and the administrator will designate and assign a goaltender to the team for the game requested. Participation in the will not affect the eligibility of any goaltender with respect to the team on which he/she was originally rostered for the season. [amended 07/2021]
- C. The webmaster for UHSH shall create a registration through HockeyShift for which teams may request a goalie from the goalie pool. [07/2021 amended]
- D. Any request for a goalie from the goalie pool shall be submitted through HockeyShift at least 24 hours prior to the game for which the goalie is requested.
- E. If a request is submitted later than 24 hours before the game, a reason for the late request shall be submitted. The goalie pool administrator will attempt to locate a goalie. However, if the goalie pool administrator is unable to find a goalie and the team resorts to subsection H to locate a goalie, such selection shall be subject to the approval of the President of UHSH, who may deny the request if it is determined competitive advantage is sought by



selection of the goalie.

- F. The goalie pool administrator shall maintain a list of available goalies. The pool administrator shall make reasonable efforts to offer an equal number of games to each member of the goalie pool.
- G. No team may use a goalie without adhering to this procedure. However, if the goalie pool administrator is unable to confirm a goalie four hours prior to the start of a game, the team may arrange a goalie and submit that to the goalie pool administrator for approval. If the goalie pool administrator does not respond to the request for approval within 30 minutes of submission, the team may use the goalie found.
- H. Except as set forth in this Section, the pool may not be used to request a back-up goalie, nor may the pool be used to request a goalie when the team has an available goalie able to play in the game. If the team's only available goalie has played less than 20 games as a goalie for any team or organization, the team may request a goalie from the goalie pool for regular season or playoff varsity competition. [Amended 07/2021]
- I. For the playoffs, the goalie pool will be split with goalies normally playing on D1 teams assigned to D1 playoff games and D2 goalies assigned to D2 games. Within each pool, the independent goalies will be assigned to affiliated games and vice versa. However, due to the fact that playoff games are tightly scheduled and splitting the main pool into four sections (i.e. D1 Independent, D1 Affiliated, etc.), it will not always be possible to accommodate requests within the designated pool. In the event a goalie from the designated section cannot be found, the administrator will attempt to locate a goalie in the same section from the other division (i.e., if no D2 affiliated goalie can be found, a D1 affiliated goalie will be sought). The president of UHSH shall be advised of all goalie pool assignments made during the playoffs.
- J. If an organization enters the season with no goalies available or rostered, the goalie pool administrator, with the approval of a majority of the Team Evaluation Committee, may assign a goalie from the pool to play for the team throughout the season or until such time as the team has a goalie rostered within their organization. A goalie may only be assigned to one organization other than the team the goalie is rostered with. The Team Evaluation Committee shall assess whether the assignment of this goalie will fundamentally alter the competitive makeup of the division. [Amended 07/2021]

# 18.9 Non-Utah High School Hockey Players

- A. If a UHSH registered team participates in any ice hockey event, tournament, game, etc., in which any other player on another team or any other team is involved that is not USA Hockey registered, that team shall be deemed to be suspended from UHSH and not covered by the USA Hockey insurance during the time the team participates with the non-registered player or other non-USA Hockey registered team(s).
- B. No UHSH-registered team may have non-rostered players on the team.



- A. The Eligibility committee will consist of five (5) members plus a Chairperson. Five members are recommended in order that the committee may function if members are disqualified because of a conflict of interest, should they be unavailable or if they fail to maintain good standing with the UHSH Board of Trustees. Non-trustees may be committee members. The committee chairperson is responsible for selecting committee members. The Chairperson shall endeavor to select committee members who are able to remain impartial and shall determine which members to excuse, if any, to maintain this impartiality. The chairperson shall excuse committee members who have a direct team benefit or loss with the outcome of voting for that situation. The Eligibility committee must have a minimum offive voting members to conduct a vote.
- B. The primary responsibility of the Chairperson is to convene the committee, prepare the materials needed for committee deliberations, facilitate discussion, call for a vote, maintain committee records and provide reports to the board of trustees. The Chairperson may not vote except to break a tie or if another member has a conflict, is unavailable or has failed tomaintain good standing with the UHSH Board of Trustees.
- C. Should a situation occur where a player, coach or volunteer come into question that is on one of the committee members teams, that committee member will be excused from deliberations and voting for that situation. The Chairperson may act as a voting committeemember in place of the excused committee member or may choose to appoint an interim voting member to serve for this situation.
- D. The decision of the eligibility committee will be made available to involved parties immediately and may be appealed to the UHSH board of trustees with a majority vote from the UHSH board of trustees determining the outcome of the appeal. Decision information will be made available upon request.

# 18.11 Eligibility Penalties

- A. It is the responsibility of the trustee and head coach to monitor player eligibility once the eligibility committee has determined the status of a player. The penalty for the play of an ineligible player is that the team will record all games in which the ineligible player participated in as a forfeit. The ineligible player will receive the same number of game suspensions as they played as an ineligible player. (For example, if a player if found to have participated in 3 games as an ineligible player, they will receive a 3-game suspension to be served when they resume participation as an eligible player.) Additionally, the player will be reassigned to the appropriate team, forfeiting any funds given to the originally registered team, and will be responsible for paying any fees/dues to the new team. The head coach and trustee will be reported to the disciplinary committee for a hearing and for possible supplemental disciplinary action. [Amended 07/2021]
- B. Teams found in violation of player eligibility will be monitored and could face supplemental discipline and/or sanctions by the executive board and/or the disciplinary committee if the violations are pervasive and occur on an ongoing basis. [Amended 07/2021]



C. UHSH provides a program that encompasses fairness to the participants, promotes fair play and sportsmanship, and endeavors coaches and officials to provide everyone with a place to play, regardless of skill or ability. Team officials are expected to promote this sense of sportsmanship.

#### 18.12 Junior Varsity Eligibility

- A. Junior Varsity (JV) teams are designed to provide playing opportunities for participants who, due to a lack of skill, may not be able to play on a varsity team. JV hockey is for developmental purposes, the goal of all JV teams should be to grow the players' skill levelin a fun environment and grow the game at the high school level. They are not designed tomake opportunities for skilled players to "showboat" or dominate. Declaring a JV team does not mean dominant players may participate to make up a shortage of weaker players.
- B. The following shall govern who may be eligible to participate on a JV or varsity team:
  - 1. Players rostered, currently or during any season, on a Tier 1 team, are Varsity only and not eligible for JV Play.
  - 2. Players rostered, currently or during any previous season, on a 16U or 18U Tier 2 team, are Varsity only and not eligible for JV Play. 9th Graders are eligible to play JV regardless of Tier status.
  - 3. Players rostered, currently or during any previous season, on a Travel 18U are Varsity only and not eligible for JV Play.
  - 4. Players rostered, currently or during any previous season, on a Travel 16U are varsity only and not eligible for JV during their Junior and Senior year.
  - 5. Players rostered, currently or during any previous season, on a Girls Tier 2 team, are Varsity only and not eligible for JV Play; however, players can be submitted to the Eligibility Committee for review.
  - 6. Players currently rostered on a Girls Travel team are eligible for JV play.
  - 7. Players rostered, currently or in a previous season, on a Showcase Select Team are Varsity only.
  - 8. Players who accumulated 20 points, or more, in a previous Varsity seasons are Varsity only.
  - 9. Players who accumulate 20 points in the current Varsity season or 15 goals in the current JV season, will not be allowed to continue play with JV team.
  - 10. Goalies are exempt and may play JV with no restrictions. Team rostered and available JV goalies are required to play prior to any Varsity or Goalie Pool Goalie.



- C. Determination of Tier 1, Tier 2 teams, Travel or Youth Leagues, shall be based upon the official roster approved by the State Registrar. All other non-UHSH teams are considered to be "outside of UHSH" for purposes of eligibility.
- D. It is the responsibility of the trustee and head coach to monitor player eligibility. The head coach will receive a game suspension for each game played by an ineligible player, and a report will be sent to the disciplinary committee for possible supplemental discipline. (Example Ineligible player A has been found to have participated in 4 games, the head coach will be suspended for the next 4 games and be subject to supplemental discipline.)
  - 1. If it is determined that an ineligible player participated in more than one game during the current season, the penalty for the use of an ineligible player shall be enforced and will result in an automatic forfeiture of those game(s).
  - 2. If it is determined that a trustee has ever allowed multiple ineligible players to participate, at any time, there can be a vote for removal from their position by the Board of Trustees.
- E. The Eligibility Committee, either upon referral by any person or on its own initiative, may remove a player from JV eligibility if it is determined that the player's level of skill wouldlead the player to dominate or if the player does not comport with the purposes of JV play by, for instance, receiving an excessive number of penalties, exhibiting poor sportsmanship, etc.

#### 18.13 Deviations from this Policy

A. Any deviations from this policy must be requested in writing to the eligibility committee.



# **Co-Ed Participation**

### 19.1 Co-Ed Participation

A. In conforming with its bylaws of UHSH, it shall be the policy of UHSH, that all players, regardless of gender shall be accorded the opportunity to participate, without undue limitation, in all UHSH-sanctioned activities if all applicable fees have been paid, all applicable registration materials have been completed and submitted and the player is in good standing with his/her team, UHSH and USA Hockey and his/her high school.

### 19.2 Female Players

- A. Female players shall be eligible to participate on otherwise all male teams until such timeas UHSH can field a minimum of four (4) teams comprised entirely of female players.
- B. Female players shall be made a part of the applicable team and shall be treated equitably and fairly at all times.
- C. While it is understood that hockey is a full body contact sport, care should be taken not toplace a female player in a position to be injured, until proper attention has been paid to training her to compete in a body contact sport at the level to which she is aspiring.

# 19.3 Dressing Facilities (see section 23.3)



# Foreign Exchange Students and Non-United States Citizen

# 20.1 Foreign Exchange & Non-United States Citizen Players

Any player who is not a citizen of the United States shall comply with any and all requirements imposed by USA Hockey for such players to be included on a USA Hockey 1-T roster. [May 2021]



# **Equipment**

### 21.1 Player Equipment

A. All players will wear equipment as per USA Hockey rules and regulations.

### 21.2 Alteration of Equipment

- A. No equipment may be altered or repainted in any way.
  - 1. Helmets may not be repainted unless allowed by the manufacturer.
  - 2. Mouth Guards may not be cut down except to conform to the jaw if the mouth guard is too long.

### 21.3 Proper Method of Wearing Equipment

A. No equipment may be worn outside of the hockey jersey, pants and socks except the helmet, skates and gloves. All other equipment must be covered.

# 21.4 Removal of Equipment When on the Ice Surface, in the Penalty Boxes or on the Bench

- A. A player may not remove any part of his equipment while he is on the ice surface (including pre- game warm-ups and after-game hand shake), in the penalty box or on the bench with the following exceptions only:
  - 1. Equipment needing minor repair may be removed while the player is on the bench only.
  - 2. A player being treated for a minor injury may remove equipment.
  - 3. A player adjusting equipment.
  - 4. A player taking a drink of water.
  - 5. Player taking medication.
- B. Players removing equipment for the above-mentioned reasons must replace the all equipment immediately upon conclusion of the action.

### 21.5 Helmet Straps & Face Masks



A. Helmet straps and face masks are considered part of a players equipment. Face masks must be in place with all mask and helmet straps securely fastened at all time a player is on the ice, in the penalty box or on the bench with the exceptions noted in 25.5. above.

### 21.6 Loss of Equipment During Game Play

- A. Should a player lose a helmet or have helmet straps come undone during game play or practice, he/she shall return to the bench immediately. Under no circumstances shall he/she continue play until the equipment is properly replaced
- B. Should a player lose a face mask during game play or practice, he/she shall immediately skate to the bench and shall make no attempt to replace the mask on the ice surface.



#### Uniforms

#### 22.1 Jerseys

#### A. Colors

- 1. Uniforms may be any color which does not trivialize or make a travesty of the game.
- 2. School colors are recommended where possible.
- 3. In cases where current team colors are deceptively similar to those of other teams, the team noted as the "visiting" team or "guest" team on the schedule will be responsible for providing jerseys which are not deceptively similar to those worn by the team designated as the "home" team. Failure to do so may result in game forfeiture by the "visiting"/"guest" team.

#### B. Authorized Markings

- 1. With the exception of manufacturer's labels, teams shall be authorized to place onlythe following markings on jerseys:
  - a. Team logo and/or team name (front only).
  - b. Large numbers (any style) (back only) (number of numbers may not exceed 2 and with the exception of 00 no number may begin with a 0.
- 2. Small numbers not to exceed 4" either or both sleeves.
- 3. Player last names, (one single initial may be added if players have the same last name), (back only) (above numbers). (nicknames, etc., are not authorized).
- 4. Designation of a "C" for one team captain per team and "A" for two team assistant captains per team. (letters not to exceed 4" and to be over the left breast).
- 5. American flag.

#### C. Advertising

1. Except for manufacturer's labels, no advertising of any kind shall be authorized on any team game jersey or other game equipment.



### **Dressing Rooms**

### 23.1 Responsibility

- A. The team trustee shall be responsible for all activities in the dressing rooms including any damages.
- B. Any expense allocated to UHSH by any arena management resulting from inappropriate behavior or damage to any dressing facility shall be charged to the team involved.
- C. Any player(s) damaging any dressing facility shall immediately be suspended from further participation in UHSH-activities until such time as the appropriate disciplinary board can meet and determine such player(s) future participation options.
- D. The team trustee shall be responsible for keeping the dressing room clean. The trustee should inspect the dressing facilities both before and after the game and indicate to the arena management if any damages are noted.

### 23.2 Teams Using the Same Dressing Facility

A. Separate dressing facilities shall be made available for each team. Other than compliance with 23.3.C. below, under no circumstance shall two separate teams dress in the same dressing facility at the same time. [Section reference revised May 2021]

### 23.3 Separate Facilities for Male and Female Players

- A. Male players shall be provided dressing facilities completely separate and detached from those of female participants. At no time and under no circumstances shall male players be permitted to dress or undress in female dressing facilities during the time any female player is present and vice versa.
- B. Per 23.3.A., it shall be the responsibility of the team trustee/head coach to make sure appropriate dressing facilities are available to all participants, regardless of gender.
- C. Because of the small number of female players registered, female players from different teams may be required to dress and undress in the same dressing room, depending upon availability of dressing facilities at each arena. Teams can request separate girls dressing room if available.
- D. Female and male players may be in the same dressing facility during pre-game or post-game "chalk talk" meetings and only under the following circumstances:
  - 1. An adult coach and/or team trustee, (over 25 years of age), is present during the entire time players of both genders are in the facility;



- 2. All players are completely dressed, with the exception of gloves and helmets.
- 3. Players may not remove any article of clothing or equipment except helmets and gloves at any time players of both genders are present in a dressing facility.
- 4. The adult coach and/or team trustee in attendance shall ensure that only male or female players remain in a dressing facility before players are allowed to undress.

### 23.4 Arenas with Limited Dressing Facilities

- A. It shall be the policy of UHSH that locker room availability and design are the sole responsibility of the arena management.
- B. Some arenas, because of age or poor design may not be able to supply sufficient dressing facilities to accommodate both male and female participants. Care should be taken to discuss dressing arrangements with the arena management prior to the event. Because of limited numbers, in some cases, female players participating on boys teams may be required to dress in facilities generally used for other purposes. If such is the case, it is the team trustee's responsibility to ensure that the dressing area is private, safe and has sufficient space to allow dressing and undressing. Toilet and shower facilities may or may not be available. It is acceptable, in some cases, that players dress in all but skates and putthem on in another area.

### 23.5 Locker Room Policy

#### UTAH HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY LOCKER ROOM POLICY

In addition to the development of our hockey players and enjoyment of the sport of hockey, the safety and protection of our participants is central to Utah High School Hockey's goals. Utah High School Hockey adheres to USA Hockey's SafeSport Program to help protect its participants from physical abuse, sexual abuse and other types of misconduct, including emotional abuse, bullying, threats, harassment and hazing. To help prevent abuse or misconduct from occurring in our locker rooms, Utah High School Hockey has adopted the following locker room policy. This policy is designed to maintain personal privacy as well as to reduce the risk of misconduct in locker rooms.

#### **Locker Room Monitoring**

Utah High School Hockey has predictable and limited use of locker rooms and changing areas (e.g., generally 30-45 minutes before and following practices and games). This allows for direct and regular monitoring of locker room areas. While constant monitoring inside of locker rooms and changing areas might be the most effective way to prevent problems, we understandthat this would likely make some players uncomfortable and may even place our coaches and officials at risk for unwarranted suspicion. Our officials conduct a sweep of the locker rooms



and changing areas before players arrive, and if the coaches are not inside the locker rooms, either a coach or voluntary locker room monitors (each of which has been screened) will be posted directly outside of the locker rooms and changing areas during periods of use. We will leave the doors open only when adequate privacy is still possible. Only participants (coaches and players) and approved team personnel are permitted in the locker room. Parents and other family members are not permitted in either the locker rooms or the halls leading to the locker rooms unless they have been screened and serve as team officials. Team personnel will also secure the locker room appropriately during times when the team is on the ice. If a player is or may be injured, parents may enter the locker room only with a screened team official.

Some of our teams consist of both male and female players. It is important that the privacy rights of all of our players are given consideration and appropriate arrangements made. All locker rooms used by Utah High School Hockey have separate locker room facilities available for both genders. Utah High School Hockey teams will have the male and female players dress/undress in separate locker rooms and then convene in a single locker room before the game or team meeting. Once the game or practice is finished, the players may come to one locker room for a team meeting and then the male and female players proceed to their separate locker rooms to undress and shower, if available. Players may not remove any gear, including jerseys or equipment other than helmets, gloves, & skates while both genders are present in thelocker room.

#### Cell Phones & Other Mobile Recording Devices

Cell phones and other mobile devices with recording capabilities, including voice recording, still cameras and video cameras, are not permitted to be used in the locker rooms. If phones orother mobile devices must be used, they should be taken outside of the locker room.

#### **Prohibited Conduct & Reporting**

Utah High School Hockey prohibits all types of physical abuse, sexual abuse, emotional abuse, bullying, threats, harassment and hazing, all as described in the USA Hockey SafeSport Handbook. Participants, employees or volunteers in Utah High School Hockey may be subject to disciplinary action for violation of these locker room policies or for engaging in any misconduct or abuse or that violates the USA Hockey SafeSport Policies. Reports of any actual or suspected violations, you may email USA Hockey at SafeSport@usahockey.org or may call 1-800-888-4656.



# **Advertising Program**

### 24.1 Website Advertising

- A. The purpose Website Advertising is to provide an opportunity for players to selladvertising, thereby earning some or all of their fees.
  - 1. All advertising monies must be paid via check or cash, or via credit card through the UHSH website.
  - 2. All checks for donations must be made out to Utah High School Hockey, Inc.
  - 3. UHSH will credit the account of the team on which the player participates for the proper percentage. Currently the credit is 80% of the ad income for ads paid via checkand cash. For ads paid via credit card through the UHSH website the credit is 77%. This amount may change from time to time. The remaining 20%/23% goes to maintaining the Website.
  - 4. Teams may use the reimbursed funds as they see fit.

### 24.2 Non-Profit Status

A. Because UHSH is a non-profit corporation, all donations made to the organization are tax deductible to the donor. If a receipt is needed UHSH shall provide one to the donor.

# 24.3 Advertising

- A. UHSH will accept no advertisements for beer, liquor or tobacco products, e-cigarettes or advertisements dealing with sexually suggestive acts or products. UHSH reserves the rightto refuse any advertising which in its judgment is of an inappropriate nature.
- B. All advertising copy must be camera ready. All business cards must be of a material and color which will print. In addition, blow-ups sometimes distort the copy.
- C. UHSH will not revise any copy.
- D. All advertising must be submitted by the team to the Treasurer of UHSH.
- E. All advertising copy must be accompanied by a check or cash for the entire amount of thead.
  - 1. Any amounts lost as a result of returned checks shall be charged to the account of theteam which originally submitted the ad.



- F. All advertising submittals must be accompanied by a completed advertising form locatedon the UHSH website.
- G. Any advertising submitted without full payment, without camera ready copy, and/orwithout the appropriate completed form will be returned to the team.
- H. Teams submitting ads must use a copy of the submittal form located on the UHSHwebsite. It is recommended that the team keep a copy for its own records.
- I. No advertising may be placed on any team game jersey or other game equipment.



# **Team Fundraising**

### 25.1 Team Fundraising

- A. Team fundraising activities are encouraged. Some restrictions shall govern all suchactivities.
  - 1. No advertising of any kind shall be permitted to be affixed to any game uniform.
  - 2. No sale or distribution of any alcohol product, tobacco product, e-cigarettes drug product, drug paraphernalia product, sexually explicit product or any other product deemed to be harmful to a minor or advertising of any such product may be permitted.
  - 3. The carrying out of the fundraising effort does not place any minor child in avulnerable position.



### **Team Pictures**

#### 26.1 Team Pictures

A. UHSH may take team and player pictures from time to time for its advertising purposes. Players who show gang signs or other hand or facial gestures of a detrimental nature shall be automatically suspended for the next varsity and JV game of that team. The offending player(s) shall also be required to appear before the UHSH disciplinary committee with the possibility of further sanctions.



#### **UHSH Team Divisions**

### 27.1 Declaring a Team

- A. A team shall be eligible to register with UHSH once they can field a team as set forth below. If, at any time during the season the number of eligible team members falls belowseven, the team shall be disbanded. If one school has a minimum of 15 players attending one particular school then they are required to field an affiliated team. An independent team may be fielded with 14 players and one goaltender but only if approved by the UHSH board with specific boundaries. Any affiliated team can choose to declare with fewer than 13 players at their own discretion. All teams and their respective division are declared at the July trustee meeting.
- B. New teams shall be declared and the Board of Trustees shall vote for approval of suchteams at the July Board of Trustee meeting.

### 27.2 Varsity Division

- A. All varsity teams will compete in a single division.
- B. A team may declare more than one varsity team. Each team will be distinguished using the team colors (i.e. Knights Gold and Knights White). No player, other than goalies, may be rostered on more than one varsity team and may not be moved between rosters after the preseason. Goalies may be double rostered. However, a goalie shall not be eligible to participate for the lower-seeded playoff team unless the goalie has played 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of all minutes of the lower seeded playoff team. If a team does not have a goalie meeting this criteria, the team shall utilize the goalie pool.
- C. Regular season scheduling shall occur as follows:
  - 1. All varsity teams shall be ranked based upon the number of junior varsity ineligible players on the team as of August 8 preceding the season. If there is a tie with teams having the same number of junior varsity ineligible players, the teams with the same number of junior varsity ineligible players shall be ranked according to their myhockeyrankings final ranking for the preceding season.
  - 2. For purposes of determining these rankings, goalies shall be counted if they otherwise would be considered junior varsity ineligible. Players shall be counted even if they have petitioned or obtained a waiver to participate in junior varsity play.
  - 3. There will be no preseason and all games will account for the standings.
  - 4. The ranked teams shall be separated into three evenly divided pods. If the total number of varsity teams is not divisible by three, the bottom pod shall have fewer teams.
    - a. Teams in the top pod shall play four games against teams in the middle pod and the remaining against the top pod.
    - b. Teams in the middle pod shall play four games against teams in the top pod, four games against the bottom pod, and the remaining against teams in the middle pod.



- c. Teams in the bottom pod shall play four games against the middle pod and the remainder against the bottom pod.
- d. A team may elect to participate in a higher pod. If a team so elects, a team which would be moved into the lower pod may choose to move or remain in the existing pod, even if this results in a larger or smaller number of teams one pod than would otherwise exist if rankings were followed.
- e. Other than the first game against other teams in the same pod, all remaining games within the pod and against other pods shall be determined by a method consistently applied to all teams.
- 5. The teams shall be divided into pods based upon the players registered at 12:00 a.m. August 9<sup>th</sup>. The number of junior varsity players shall again be re-ranked on December 15<sup>th</sup>. If a team has added junior varsity ineligible players such that it would have moved into a higher pod and moved three or more ranking positions, the team shall be penalized two seeding positions in the final rankings, and this may eliminate the team from playoff contention.
- D. All regular season games shall be entered into MyHockeyRankings or other ranking system as approved by the Board of Trustees.
- E. The final rankings will be those issued on the final Wednesday before the beginning of playoffs. Any games scheduled for after the final Wednesday shall not be included in the rankings.
- F. The top 16 teams will qualify for the playoffs. These teams will be broken into independent and affiliated brackets and will compete for the state championship and national tournament invitation in independent and affiliated brackets. All remaining teams shall compete in a consolation tournament with a single champion. {Enacted 07/2022]

# 27.3 Junior Varsity

#### A. Composition

- 1. The Junior Varsity Division will consist of both affiliated and independent teams.
- 2. Organizations can declare a Junior Varsity team without having a Varsity team.
- 3. JV teams will be allowed to combine for the season based on board approval. The two (2) teams wishing to combine have to declare their intent at the July board meeting.

#### B. Eligibility

1. All other eligibility requirements as defined in the By-Laws and P&P's.



# Regular and Pre-Season Game Rules

#### 28.1 Warm-up

A. Each team shall be allowed a three (3) minute coincidental warm-up prior to each game. Warm-ups shall not be extended to allow late goaltenders a warm-up.

### 28.2 Game Forfeiture

- A. Each team must have enough players on the ice to begin the game as per USA Hockeyrules or the game will be forfeited to the opposing team.
- B. Upon determining a game is forfeited the referees and linesman shall immediately leave the iceand not attempt to officiate a non-sanctioned game. [Revised May 2021]
- C. If, at the start of the game, a certified coach is not available on the bench, the team without the coach shall forfeit the game. If neither team has a certified coach on the bench at game time, the teams will take a 0-0 loss.
- D. The teams may remain on the ice and conduct a practice if, and only if, there is at least one certified coach present, and he/she runs the practice for both teams. If no certified coach is present, both teams must immediately exit the ice and may not return.
- E. A team forfeiting a game will pay the non-forfeiting team the entire cost for the game including ice, referees and scorekeeper. The non-forfeiting team may use the ice upon which the game was to be played in addition to covering the cost of the game. The score for a forfeited game will be entered as 10 for the non-forfeiting team and 0 for the forfeiting team. If a varsity team forfeits two or more games in a season the team will no longer be eligible for playoffs. If a JV team forfeits more than two games in a season the team will pay a fine of \$250.00 for each subsequent game in addition to the costs of the games as set forth in this section. Teams forfeiting games may be considered by the UHSH board to be removed from the league.

# 28.3 Period Length

- A. Varsity game periods will be no more than <u>sixteen (16)</u> minute stop time periods, with the third period being shortened to end the game within the allotted.
- B. JV game periods will be no more than <u>thirteen (13)</u> minute stop time periods with the third period being shortened to end the game within the allotted.

# 28.4 Between Period Length



A. Time between periods will be sixty (60) seconds.

#### 28.5 Minor Penalties

A. For all UHSH games, all minor penalties will be two (2) minutes.

#### 28.6 Time Outs

A. In all UHSH sanctioned games, varsity and JV; one sixty (60) second timeout shall be allowed each team in each game.

#### 28.7 Ties

A. Regular season games ending in a tie shall be recorded as a tie on the scoresheet.

#### 28.8 Road Weather Conditions

- A. When unsafe road conditions exist along the travel route due to weather, a game will be postponed and rescheduled. If the game cannot be rescheduled, the game will be cancelled and recorded as a tie. The game may be rescheduled for any day the teams are not otherwise scheduled for another game and may be scheduled at any rink utilized by UHSH, other than Cedar City (unless Cedar City is the home team of the rescheduled game). If a team refuses to play at the scheduled time or location, the team shall forfeit the game. If both teams refuse to play at the rescheduled time and location, the game will be cancelled and recorded as a tie.
- B. In determining whether to postpone a game, the trustees for the involved teams may consider a school cancellation, road closure, a "High Caution" determination by issued by the Utah Department of Transportation (http://udottraffic.utah.gov//RoadWeatherForecast.aspx#), a Utah Highway Patrol, National Weather Service, or County Sheriff travel advisory to limit driving anywhere along the travel route, unless a suitable alternate route is available.
- C. The trustees for the involved teams may agree to postpone a game due to unsafe travel conditions. If a decision is not agreed upon, the UHSH executive board, or, if the Executive Committee cannot be convened telephonically, the President will make the final determination.
- D. Even if the trustees or UHSH determine that a game should not be postponed or cancelled due to unsafe travel conditions, the parent or guardian of each player remains responsible for ensuring the safety of their player and no player shall be disciplined for failure to attenda game due to conditions the parent deems unsafe, nor shall UHSH be liable should the parent chose to have their player attend any game.



#### 28.9 Blackout Dates

- A. Each season the UHSH league will set league blackout dates, these dates will be decided before or at the July trustee meeting. These blackout dates will be dates that no games or practices will be scheduled by the league. Teams may elect to schedule during these time periods on their own.
- B. Each season teams may select three blackout dates, individual days only, that their team will not be scheduled for games or practices. These team blackout dates must be provided to the scheduler by a date to be determined by the league each season.
- C. No individual team blackout dates will be granted during the playoffs.

### 28.10 Senior Nights

Each season teams may request two possible dates to organize a Senior Recognition night, the requested dates must be submitted to the league scheduler by the deadline date set by the league each season. The league scheduler will schedule an extra 15 minutes of ice time for the approved Senior Recognition Night games. The individual teams will be responsible for the extra cost of the extra 15 minutes of ice.

#### 28.11 Run Time Rule

If the goal differential in the third period is equal to or greater than five, the timing will switch to run time except to record penalties and goals. If the goal differential is reduced to less than five goals, the timing shall return to stop time. [July 2021]



# **Playoff Seeding**

# 29.1 Seeding

A. Teams will be seeded for playoff competition based upon the MyHockeyRankings or other ranking system used by the Board of Trustees to establish scheduling pods.



### **Playoff Game Rules Policies & Procedures**

#### *30.1 Warm-up*

A. Each team will be allowed a 5-minute coincidental warm-up period prior to each game. Warm-ups shall not be extended to allow late goaltenders additional time or within reason, teams without sufficient players to avoid forfeiture by waiting for additional players to enter the playing area.

### 30.2 Game Forfeiture

A. Each team must have enough players on the ice to begin the game as per USA Hockey Rules or the game will be forfeited to the opposing team.

### 30.3 Utah High School Hockey Certified Coaches

- A. If, at the start of the game, (not the warm-up period), a UHSH Certified coach is not available on the bench, the team without the coach shall forfeit the game. If neither teamhas a certified coach on the bench at game time, the teams will take a 0-0 loss.
- B. In the event of forfeiture the teams may remain on the ice and conduct a practice if, and only if, there is at least one certified coach present, and he/she runs the practice for both teams. If no certified coach is present, both teams must immediately exit the ice until such time as a certified Coach is present on the ice.

# 30.4 Period Length

A. All periods will be no more than sixteen (16) minutes and will be stop time. Games will NOT be curfewed.

# 30.5 Between-Period Length

A. In between periods there will be a 1-minute rest period.

# 30.6 Tie Games - Other than for a Championship

- A. The winner of a game ending in a tie during playoffs, other than a game which could determine a championship, will be determined by a sudden death five (5)- minute overtime, with the first team scoring deemed the winner. If at the end of the sudden death overtime the game is still tied the game will go to a five-man shootout.
- B. Five-man shootout rules for games other than a potential championship game:



- 1. The coach of each team will present to the referee in writing his/her first five (5) shooters and place them in the order of participation.
- 2. The team denoted as the "Guest" team on the official scoresheet will shoot first.
- 3. Each team will take 1 shot at a time. After all five (5) shot attempts, the team with the most goals awarded will be deemed the winner.
- 4. If, at the conclusion of the first shootout, the teams are still tied and a winner has not been determined, an additional sudden death shootout will be held and B.1.3 will be repeated until a winner is determined. Each coach will hand a written list of his/her next five (5) shooters, in the order they are to shoot, to the referee. Again, the team designated as "Guest" on the official scoresheet will shoot first. The first team to score a goal which is not matched by an equal number of shots by the opposing team will be declared the winner.
- 5. If the score is still tied, repeat "1.6.4" until there is a winner. Different shooters will be selected each round until one team has used all available shooters. At that time each coach may use players that have already participated in prior shootouts.
- C. Any player who has left the ice for any reason and who is not serving a penalty when regulation time ends, shall be allowed to participate in any shootout play. If a team has only four eligible players remaining on the ice with no additional eligible players on the bench at the end of regulation time, the first shooter shall be eligible to shoot again as the fifth shooter.
- D. The number of players on a team will determine at what point a coach may start over again with his/her roster in designating the shooters. (If Team A has 13 players and 2 goaltenders on the roster with one player in the penalty box at the end of regulation, and Team B has 14 players and 1 goaltender on the roster with 3 players in the penalty box at the end of regulation, the Coach of team B must use his/her entire roster of 11 available shooters, (goaltenders don't count). The Coach of Team A must also use his/her first 11 players. When Team B is out of original shooters (11), both Team A & B may start through their rosters again. Team A shall not be required to use its last available shooter.

### 30.7 Tie Games - For a Championship

- A. All games, the outcome of which could determine the Championship, will have a 5 minute sudden death overtime period. The first team to score will be declared the winner.
- B. If, at the end of the first sudden death overtime period the game is still tied, a 2nd 5 -minute sudden death period shall be held.
- C. If, at the end of the second sudden death overtime period the game is still tied, a 3rd 5 -



minute sudden death period shall be held.

- D. If, at the end of the 3rd 5 minute overtime period the game is still tied, regulation shoot-outs, (not sudden death), shall be held until such time as a winner can be declared.
- E. Shootout Rules for Championship Games
  - 1. There shall be NO sudden death shootout in any game which could determine a Championship regardless of the time it takes to complete the game. All shoot-outsshall be regulation 5-man shoot-outs.
  - 2. The coach of each team shall indicate to the referee, in writing, his/her first five (5) shooters in their order of participation.
  - 3. The team denoted as the "Guest" team on the official scoresheet will shoot first.
  - 4. The first team to gain an advantage in scoring that cannot be overcome by the remaining shooters on the opposing team will be declared the winner and will have one 1 point added to the score.
  - 5. Credit for the goal shall be given to the last winning team player to score during the shootout.
  - 6. If, at the conclusion of the shootout, the teams are still tied, an additional shootout will be held following the same format indicated above in "1.7.E.2-5."
  - 7. The coach may select only players who have not already shot to shoot in the next five (5) man round.

#### 30.8 Time Outs

A. Each team will be allowed one (1) 30-second time out during each playoff game.

### 30.9 Uniforms

- A. No player shall be on the ice in a uniform deceptively similar to the uniform worn by the opposing team. (If Team A is in red, then all players on Team A must be in a red uniform. No player from Team B shall be allowed to wear any uniform with the predominate color being red).
- B. In situations where uniforms of both teams are similar, referees must ensure that no player from one team is wearing a color deceptively similar to the colors of the other team. If, in the referee's judgment, there exists a situation where a player or team is wearing a uniform(s) deceptively similar to that of the other team, the referee may do one of the following:



- 1. Prohibit an offending player from participating until he/she has replaced the offending jersey.
- 2. Allow five minutes for the offending team to change uniforms and assess a two (2) minute delay of game penalty at the start of the game on the offending team, or
- 3. If no change of uniform is available, he may forfeit the game and award the win to the home team.
- C. A coach may request a player from the opposing team to change uniform by notifying the opposing head coach or trustee that, in his/her judgment, the opposing player's uniform will be confusing to his/her team. If the opposing coach refuses to comply, the final decision as to this issue will rest with the referee.

### 30.10 Minor Officials

- A. Whenever possible, no minor official shall work the scorer's box who represents either participating team.
- B. In games which may determine a championship, all minor officials shall be appointed bythe scheduler and may not represent either team.

### 30.11 Goaltenders for Shoot-outs

A. Goaltenders may be substituted at the beginning of any five-man shootout.

# 30.12 Other Rules & Regulations Governing Playoff Games

A. All other aspects of championship games shall follow USA Hockey guidelines forsanctioned games.



#### Gate

#### 31.1 Game Gate

- A. A gate may be charged for all games. The amount of which shall be determined from time to time by the UHSH board of trustees.
- B. Proceeds from the gate will be deposited into the main UHSH account and shall be used towards UHSH operating business and furthering the purposes of the organization.
- C. Any balance remaining shall be held by the board of trustees for furthering the purposes of the organization.
- D. Volunteers Each team will need to provide at minimum one volunteer to help collect gate fees at their respective playoff games. If a team is unable to fulfill the minimum number of volunteers requested at least eight hours prior to game time the team will be charged a \$50 fine. If another team is able to fill the volunteer spot the \$50 fine shall beapplied as credit to the team providing the volunteer.



### Wasatch Hockey Officials Association (Referees & Scorekeepers)

### 32.1 Wasatch Ice Hockey Officials Association (WIHOA)

- A. The Wasatch Hockey Officials Association (WIHOA) is an independent association of game officials, all of whom are registered and certified with USA Hockey.
- B. Fees are regularly negotiated with this association.
- C. A game may not be played without a minimum of one WIHOA official on the ice at all times. This does not mean that officials who are not USA Hockey-approved and registered may officiate games. All officials on the ice must be USA Hockey approved. If no WIHOA or other USA Hockey approved official can be present for any reason, the game may not be played.
- D. WHOA will schedule all officials for all scheduled games. With the exception of playoff games, it is the policy of UHSH not to request certain referees for certain games.

### 32.2 Complaints

- A. Complaints against individual WIHOA officials shall be made in writing using the "referee complaint" form located on the UHSH website. Form is to be submitted to the President of UHSH. Complaints concerning judgment calls shall be rejected out of hand.
- B. At the option of the President of UHSH, a referees hearing may be held to review the complaint and determine sanctions or changes as needed. If the complaint involves physical or sexual abuse of a player, the complaint shall be remanded to the UAHA fordisposition.



# Announcing/Playing Of Music at Games

### 33.1 Announcing or Playing of Music at Games

A. Other than games where the UHSH board of trustees specifically provides announcers and as a matter of policy announces games and/or provides music, such as all-star games, championship games, etc., the head coach or team trustee of either participating team may determine to eliminate either the playing of music, announcing the game or both. This determination may be made known to the referee at any time during or prior to the game, who shall inform the scoring table of the decision.



# **Fighting**

### 34.1 Policy Statement

THIS RULE IS NOT BEING ENFORCED DUE TO A CHANCE IN THE USA HOCKEY PLAYING RULES PROVISIONS. UNTIL DECIDED BY THE UTAH HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY BOARD OF TRUSTEES, THE USA HOCKEY FIGHTING RULE SHALL TAKE PRECEDENCE, ALTHOUGH PLAYERS MAY BE REFERRED FOR DISICIPLINE UNDER THE DISCIPLINE PROCESS FOR FIGHTING. [AUGUST 2022]

A. It is the policy of UHSH that fighting not be a part of the sport of ice hockey in the State of Utah. In order to more carefully balance the use of fisticuffs there will be penalties of sufficient duration to give a player reason to refrain from such behavior, the UHSH board of trustees has adopted the following minimum guidelines for penalties for "fighting". This policy applies to all pre-scheduled UHSH.

### 34.2 Utah High School Hockey Penalties for Fighting

- A. Any player receiving a fighting penalty as noted on the official scoresheet, shall be suspended for the balance of that game and for the next three games of that team. The three (3) games include the automatic game misconduct issued from USA Hockey Rule 615.
- B. Any player receiving a second fighting penalty as noted on the official scoresheet, regardless of which other team he/she was playing with when he/she received the penalty, shall be immediately suspended from further participation in any UHSH activity (including practices with any UHSH team), until such time as the Disciplinary Committee shall meet and hold a hearing per USA Hockey Bylaw 10 regarding such matters, and determine the appropriate sanctions.
- C. Any player receiving a third fighting penalty as noted on the official scoresheet, having had a hearing with the UHSH Disciplinary Committee after their second fighting penalty, shall be immediately suspended from participating in any UHSH activity and referred to the UAHA Disciplinary Committee to determine the appropriate sanctions.
- D. Any player who is suspended for "fighting" shall not be eligible to participate in any other game activities of UHSH or which are sponsored by UHSH, including but not limited to, participation on another team or, UHSH All-Star game. In all of the above cases the player may participate with any appropriate team in a practice capacity only, unless prohibited by USA Hockey.
- E. Players receiving a "Fighting" penalty must serve the required number of games for the team with which they were playing when they received the penalty. During the period of required suspension, the offending player must also serve up to a maximum of the same number of games for any other team with which he/she may be playing. If there are fewer or the same number of games for the other team(s) on which the player also participates



than the number of games required to be served on the original team where the penalty was incurred, then the player will only be required to serve that number of games for the other team(s).

A player participating on both JV and varsity teams who receives a first "Fighting" penalty could serve up to a maximum of 3 games for each team depending upon the schedule.

**Example:** A player participates on the JV team and receives his/her first fighting penalty of the JV team. He/she shall be suspended from the game in which he/she received the fighting penalty plus an additional three game suspension from participation on the JV team. In addition, he/she shall be suspended from participation on the varsity team and shall be suspended for a maximum of up to three games for the varsity team, and a maximum of three games for the JV team. The number of games served cannot exceed three for each other team and the exact number shall be determined by how long it takes to serve the JV penalty.

### 34.3 Games Counting Toward Suspensions

A. All games served must be UHSH-sanctioned events. Sanctioned events shall be events that are regularly pre-scheduled UHSH game events. Pick-up games, exhibition games, games scheduled specifically to avoid serving suspensions or for any other reason or games scheduled after the fact by anyone other than the official UHSH Scheduler shall not count toward serving such suspensions nor shall out-of-state games, or games scheduled with entities other than UHSH members.

### 34.4 Definition of a Game

A. For purposes of defining a sanctioned game under this section - "A game shall begin at the time the players enter the ice until the completion of the game in which two (2) teams play with officials. If a game is officially recorded as a forfeit, the suspension will be considered served".



### **Game Penalties**

#### 35.1 Game Misconduct Penalties

- A. With the exception of "fighting" or "fisticuffs", a player receiving a major penalty plus a game misconduct penalty, or a game misconduct penalty shall be suspended from the gamein which the penalty occurred plus one additional game.
- B. If the suspended player is rostered on another team or teams, he/she shall also be suspended from any participation as a member of that/those team(s) for the same number of games his/her penalty has warranted on the team on which he/she received the penalty.

**Example:** player A receives his/her first game misconduct for spearing as a member of their high school JV team. The player may not participate in the next game of their JV team. After he/she has served his/her game suspension, he/she may again be eligible to playas a member of their high school JV team. Because player A is also eligible to participate as a member of their high school varsity team, he/she may not participate on that team for the next pre-scheduled game of their varsity team.

C. As per Section 34.4 of these policies and procedures, UHSH-sanctioned events shall be events that are regularly pre-scheduled game events. Pick-up games, out-of-state travel games, etc., will not count toward serving such suspensions.

**Example:** Player A is a member of their high school varsity team and receives a game misconduct penalty. Player A is also a member of their high school JV team. During the term of player A's suspension, their high school's coach puts together a game with a bantam team or is contacted and asked if their high school team could play a Bantam team. Because these games are non-scheduled UHSH games, these games do not count toward serving the penalty. The only games that count toward serving penalties are those between two members of the UHSH league that per previously scheduled before the penalty was issued. During the term of suspension, the suspended player may not participate in any pick-up game, out-of-town game, non-scheduled game, etc.

#### 35.2 Match Penalties

A. In all cases, players receiving a Match penalty shall be immediately suspended from further participation in any UHSH activity (including practices with any UHSH team), until such time as the disciplinary committee shall meet per USA Hockey rules regarding such matters and determine the appropriate sanctions.

#### 35.3 Coaches

A. Coaches are subject to the same rules that apply to players. Game suspensions can be served when games are regularly pre-scheduled and between two members of the UHSH



league. During the time of suspension, the coach may not be allowed on the bench duringany pick-up game, out-of-town game, non-scheduled game, etc.



### First Aid

#### 36.1 First Aid

- A. Each Coach and trustee should become familiar with basic first aid techniques and concepts. trustees and coaches are responsible for the health, safety and welfare of the minors in their charge during practices and games where injury can occur.
- B. It is recommended that each head coach have a first aid kit in his/her possession at all times during games and practices if the arena does not provide one on the premises. For information concerning preparation of such first aid kit please review the "USA Hockey Catastrophic Excess Accident Liability Coverage Insurance Handbook".
- C. The trustee is responsible at all times for the health, safety and welfare of the minor players under his/her supervision as well as the other participants on other teams. He/she is to make all determinations regarding the physical wellbeing of his/her charges. He/she is to yield this authority only to a licensed physician, EMT or parent. If there is doubt as to the competency or authority of any person claiming to be a licensed physician or EMT, the trustee shall demand proof of competency prior to releasing an injured player to that person's care.
- D. In the absence of the trustee the head coach is to fulfill the duties and be bound by the obligations of Section 35.1.C. above.

### 36.2 Parental Authority

A. Unless it is obvious that a parent/guardian is incapacitated or not under control, the head coach or trustee shall yield authority for the safety, health or welfare of minors under his/her supervision to the parent or guardian of an injured player if that parent or guardian is known to him/her or produces evidence that he/she is truly the parent or guardian. Yielding of such authority should be conspicuous, open and public, with witnesses available.



# **Injuries Policies & Procedures**

#### 37.1 Injured Players

A. The head coach or the trustee of a team with which a player is participating at the time of an injury should complete a copy of the "UHSH Injury Report" form.

### 37.2 Trustee's Responsibility

A. It shall be the responsibility of the trustee of the injured player, or the Head Coach in the absence of the trustee, to control the events on the ice while the injured player is being attended. The trustee of the team on which the injured player is participating at the time of injury shall subordinate this authority only to an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), licensed physician or parent of the injured player. If there is doubt as to whether a person is an EMT, or licensed physician ask to see some identification. If in doubt, do not take his/her word for it.

### 37.3 Moving Injured Players

- A. Under no circumstances shall an injured player be moved from the ice unless the trustee in charge, an EMT, a licensed physician or the parent of the injured player determines the player can be moved without further injury or must be moved to prevent further injury or to transport the injured player to a hospital for emergency care.
- B. Completing the game shall not be an issue in determining whether to remove a player from the playing area. If the game is delayed due to injury for more than 10 minutes, the game shall be completed, and curfew as required. If the game is delayed for more than 20 minutes the game shall be called and rescheduled where possible. If a reschedule is not possible, the team leading at the time of the cancellation shall be declared the winner. If the teams are tied both teams will be awarded one (1) point. In all cases the health, safety and welfare of the injured player shall take priority.

# 37.4 Bleeding

- A. In all cases where blood is evident on an injured player, if that player is ambulatory and able to leave the ice, he/she shall do so immediately and may not return to the ice area until the injury has been properly treated and the blood flow stopped and properly covered per USA Hockey guidelines. If the player should be re-injured and blood should flow again, he/she shall be immediately removed from the ice and shall not be allowed to return for the duration of the game.
- B. Coaches and trustees shall use reasonable judgment in permitting their players to participate on the ice when an injured player is bleeding, regardless of the attitude or



sanctions of referees or other officials.

- C. In all cases where blood is evident and copious on uniforms and/or equipment, a playermust change that uniform or equipment prior to reentering the ice surface.
- D. A jersey or other equipment covered in blood may be changed and the player allowed to return to the ice. Referees must allow a number change in this case and may not penalize the player or the team in any way.



# **Disciplinary Hearings**

### 38.1 Disciplinary Committee

- A. The disciplinary committee will consist of a minimum of five (5) members plus a chairperson. Five members are recommended in order that the committee may function if members are disqualified because of a conflict of interest, should they be unavailable or if they fail to maintain good standing with the UHSH Board of Trustees. Non-trustees may be committee members. The chairperson is responsible for selecting committee members. The Chairperson shall ensure that all committee members are able to remain impartial and shalldetermine which members to excuse, if any, to maintain this impartiality. The chairperson shall excuse committee members who have direct team benefit or loss with the outcome of voting for that situation. The Discipline committee must have a minimum of five members to conduct a hearing or vote.
- B. The primary responsibility of the Chairperson is to convene the committee, prepare the materials needed for committee deliberations, facilitate discussion, call for a vote, maintain committee records and provide reports to the board of trustees. The Chairperson may not vote except to break a tie or if another member has a conflict, is unavailable, or has failed tomaintain good standing with the UHSH Board of Trustees.
- C. Should a player, coach or parent come into question that is on one of the committees member's teams, that committee member will be excused from the deliberations and voting for that situation. The Chairperson may act as a voting committee member in place of the excused committee member or may choose to appoint a voting interim member to serve for this situation.
- D. The committee chairperson shall in all cases attempt to hold a hearing as soon after theincident as practical. It is essential that all parties directly related to the incident, (including referees, linesmen, coaches, etc.), be in attendance.
- E. Once the committee has reached a decision, the committee chairperson shall complete a copy of the UHSH disciplinary letter and shall send copies of the letter to the following parties:
  - 1. Referee in chief.
  - 2. Coach of the offending player.
  - 3. At least one parent or guardian of the offending player.
  - 4. The offending player, coach or official.
  - 5. President of UHSH; and,



6. Program trustee of the offending player or coach.

### 38.2 Appeals

- A. The disciplinary committee chairperson shall notify each player, coach or trustee receiving a penalty of his/her right of appeal. The player, coach or trustee must do so in writing to the President of UHSH within 15 days of receipt of notification of the committee's decision.
- B. All appeals to the full board of trustees of UHSH must be accompanied by a \$250 non-refundable fee.
- C. All suspensions shall remain in force during any appeal. No player will be allowed to return to the ice until his/her appeal has been heard and a decision handed down by the UHSH board of trustees or the disciplinary committee suspension has been completely served.

### 38.3 Records/Court Reporters

A. The president of UHSH may also decide that a court reporter is necessary. In all such cases the cost of the reporter shall be borne by UHSH. Cost of copies of transcripts shall be borne by the party requesting such copies.



# **Use of Video Tapes in Disciplinary Matters**

### 39.1 Referees Use

- A. Use of a video tape by a referee to make a penalty call is strictly prohibited at any time, under any circumstances. All referee calls must be made during or immediately after thegame.
- B. The use of a video tape by a referee to make a penalty call shall automatically andimmediately negate the penalty and its accompanying punishment.

### 39.2 Appeals

- A. In the event a player, coach or official wishes to appeal an action of the UHSH Disciplinary Committee he/she may use unedited and the video in its entirety video tapes to exonerate himself/herself at his/her discretion. It shall be the sole responsibility of the penalized player, coach or official to provide a copy of the tape to the appropriate body forreview at least one week prior to any appeal hearing. (This tape shall remain the property of UHSH and shall not be returned). (At no time shall it become the responsibility of UHSH to secure copies of any video tapes).
- B. It is understood that the tape MAY NOT necessarily exonerate the player but may indicate guilt in the minds of the UHSH Board. It is also understood that under Section 4, Rule 10 Supplementary Discipline, of the Official USA Hockey Playing Rules 1999-2000 or as thereafter published from time to time, the UHSH board of trustees, upon hearing the appeal, may choose to leave the original punishment intact, may decide to reduce it or may decide to increase the original punishment.

### 39.3 Utah High School Hockey, Inc., Authority

A. The UHSH Board shall not be prohibited from using video tapes at any time to protect the health and safety of all its players and officials. The governing body may review any tape, at any time, if, in its discretion, it believes a player, coach or official has acted in a mannerthat may jeopardize the future health or safety of other players or officials. (It is not necessary that the referees note such behavior on the official scoresheets). The Board shall act if, in its opinion, the player or official in question presents a hazard to the safety or health of other players or officials.



### **Due Process**

### 40.1 Policy Statement

- A. Any player, coach, trustee or other UHSH participant, if facing possible sanctions by UHSH, shall be entitled to a hearing before the UHSH board of trustees or its assigned committee, to present his/her position.
  - 1. At this hearing he/she shall have the right to call and examine witnesses, give testimony, present evidence including video tapes and otherwise attempt to exoneratehimself/herself.
  - 2. Game officials need not be present at the hearing, but it is highly recommended thatthey attend.
  - 3. Hearings shall conform to the USA Hockey guidelines for such hearings.

### 40.2 Appeals

- A. All sanctions imposed by a UHSH committee shall be eligible for appeal to the full board of trustees of UHSH if such appeal is filed in writing with the President of UHSH within fifteen (15) days of the sanction being imposed along with a fee of \$250.
- B. Appeals beyond the board of trustees of UHSH shall be made in conformance to the bylaws and rules and regulations of USA Hockey as written from time to time.



#### **Out-Of-State Travel**

#### 41.1 Travel Policy

- A. A UHSH-registered team may leave the State of Utah, as a team, at any time during the current season, (September 1st through the following August 31st), under the following conditions:
  - 1. All participating players and coaches are members of the team and are registered andin good standing with UHSH, UAHA and USA Hockey.
  - 2. All participating players and coaches are members of the team and are currently rostered on that team.
  - 3. The team is not under any travel restrictions imposed by UHSH, UAHA or USA Hockey.
  - 4. No adult(s) may occupy a room with one and only one minor player to whom he/she is not a blood relative. If the adult is accompanied by his/her child (children), other minor player(s) may stay in the room with the adults as long as the adult's child is also staying in the room.
  - 5. Unrelated players of the opposite sex or a player and another person of the opposite sex may not occupy a room together unless accompanied by an adult(s) as defined herein and each minor occupant has written permission from his/her parent/guardianthat such rooming arrangements are acceptable; and,
  - 6. All teams, players, coaches and referees participating in the event to which travel is intended are USA Hockey registered and the event is USA Hockey sanctioned.

# 41.2 Registered Teams/Players/Referees

- A. Registered teams shall be defined as teams complying with the following:
  - 1. Teams that have paid all applicable USA Hockey team registration fees.
  - 2. Teams that have an official USA Hockey team roster signed by the registrar of the District with which the team is registered; and,
  - 3. Teams which are in good standing with USA Hockey and their local affiliate and association.
- B. Registered players shall be defined as players complying with the following:



- 1. Players that have paid all applicable USA Hockey individual player registration fees.
- 2. Players that have an official USA Hockey membership card and have properly executed all applicable individual registration documents with the USA Hockey district with which he/she is registered; and,
- 3. Players who are in good standing with USA Hockey and their local affiliate and association.
- C. Registered referees shall be defined as referees and linesmen complying with thefollowing:
  - 1. Officials that have paid all applicable USA Hockey officials' registration fees;
  - 2. Officials that have an official USA Hockey membership card and have properly executed all applicable individual registration documents with the USA Hockey district with which he/she is registered; and,
  - 3. Officials who are in good standing with USA Hockey and their local affiliate and association.
  - D. Registered coaches shall be defined as adult coaches complying with the following:
    - 1. Coaches who have paid all applicable USA Hockey individual registration fees.
    - 2. Coaches that have an official USA Hockey membership card and have properly executed all applicable individual registration documents with the USA Hockey district with which he/she is registered; and,
    - 3. Coaches who are in good standing with USA Hockey and their local affiliate and association.

#### 41.3 Discipline

A. Players, teams, coaches and trustees traveling out of the State of Utah for competition shall be subject to all USA Hockey disciplinary sanctions and shall be subject to UHSH sanctions as published from time to time and/or as determined by the appropriate UHSH body, regardless of sanctions which may prevail in the area traveled to.

## 41.4 Players Under Suspension

A. No player, coach or trustee who is under suspension with UHSH at the time of travel shall be permitted to participate in any travel game activity, including being on the bench in any capacity until such time as he/she has completed the terms of his/her suspension. Other than the Utah Stars, travel games shall not count toward serving any game suspension.



#### 41.5 Excessive Travel

- A. Teams traveling out of state more than three times in a season shall be considered officialtravel teams as defined by the UAHA and may be required to pay additional fees to that body.
- B. No player shall be required to travel out-of-state as a condition of his/her participation on any UHSH team.

#### 41.6 Scoresheets

A. It shall be mandatory that a copy of scoresheets for games completed during out-of-statetravel be submitted to the UHSH secretary immediately upon return from any travel activity.

#### 41.7 Adult Supervision - Policy Statement

"It shall be the policy of UHSH that the trustee for the team traveling out of state shall be in total charge of the team, team members and coaching staff. The team trustee may assign supervision responsibilities to other competent, responsible adults during the period of travel as the trustee sees fit. However, regardless of who is assigned responsibility, the trustee shall still remain ultimately responsible to the UHSH board of trustees for actions and activities of the team, coaches supervising adults or team members during the period of travel.

"All adults involved in the transporting of any unrelated minor, whether the operator or a passenger, by motor vehicle shall cause the vehicle to be operated in a safe and lawful manner at all times. All adults transporting an unrelated minor shall ensure the vehicle is maintained in a safe and reliable condition so as to cause the unrelated player no harm and to deliver him/her to the destination and home again safely and on time. All adults are cautioned to exercise extreme care in such transportation, including allowing sufficient travel time to compensate for traffic congestion, adverse weather and unsafe road conditions in order to arrive at the destination without disobeying local traffic laws and to operate the vehicle in a safe manner".

- A. It shall be the responsibility of the trustee to ensure the following in a manner where reasonable and prudent care is possible:
  - 1. Acceptable mode and method of travel to and from out-of-state living quarters to arenas, airport transportation, etc.
  - 2. All players are accounted for and in the company of responsible adults at all times while traveling, except that players may share sleeping accommodations without adult supervision.



- 3. Individual players or groups of players obey and adhere to the rules, regulations and policies of the hotel, tournament and UHSH at all times during out-of-state travel.
- 4. No consumption of alcohol, use of illegal drugs or other controlled substances, or use of tobacco products occurs during the period of travel.
- 5. Imposition and enforcement of a legitimate curfew for all players.

# 41.8 Use, by Players, of Alcohol, Tobacco Products, E-cigarettes, Controlled Substances or Illegal Drugs

A. The use or sale, by any UHSH-registered player, of any alcohol-related product, mind, mood or physically altering substance, prescription or otherwise, (unless prescribed by a licensed physician for use during the UHSH-sanctioned activity) e-cigarettes or tobacco related product is strictly prohibited at all times.

# 41.9 Use, by Coaches, Trustees or Other Assigned Responsible Adults, of Alcohol-related Products

- A. Use of alcohol-related products by coaches.
  - 1. The use or consumption of alcohol-related products by a Coach shall be acceptableunder the following guidelines:
    - a. The coach consumes the product in moderation, (defined as use in amounts small enough not to cause drunkenness or impaired judgment so that his/her blood alcohol level at any time does not exceed 0.08 percent.
    - b. The coach does not operate a vehicle carrying any unrelated minor at any time until 6 hours after the consumption of the last alcohol related product.
    - c. The coach is not present on the bench, in the locker rooms or on the ice during any team practice or team game prior to 6 hours after the consumption of the last alcohol related product.
    - d. The coach is not the trustee of the team, and the trustee is present during the entire period indicated in subsection c. Above (If the trustee is not present, the head coach must comply with all requirements of the trustee).
    - e. The coach does not become unreasonably intoxicated.
    - f. The coach may not consume alcohol related products in the presence of any minor player at any time.



- B. Use of alcohol-related products by trustees shall be strictly prohibited at all times during travel beginning from the moment the trustee begins the travel from the state until the timethe trustee returns to the state.
- C. Use of alcohol-related products by an adult, (including a coach or trustee), responsible for supervision of unrelated minor players shall be prohibited from at least 6 hours prior to the supervision period until the expiration of the supervision period.
- D. No adult assigned transportation duties shall operate a motor vehicle, boat, motorcycle, aircraft or any other means of motorized transport while under any influence of an alcohol-related product at any time when transporting minor players in any manner.

# 41.10 Use, by Coaches, Trustees or Other Assigned Responsible Adults, of Controlled Substances or Illegal Drugs

For purposes of this section, controlled substances or illegal drugs are those substances which are prohibited for sale or consumption by any legitimate federal or state entity. Abuse of controlled substances or abuse/use of illegal drugs is prohibited at all times for all coaches andtrustees:

# 41.11 Use, by Coaches, Trustees or Other Assigned Responsible Adults, of Tobacco Products, E-cigarettes

- A. Use of tobacco products by any coach, trustee or other responsible shall be restricted only to complying with the laws of the facility and the State or community as published from time to time.
- B. No player, coach or trustee, when acting in such capacity shall use chewing tobacco while inside any arena facility, under any circumstances.

## 41.12 Mandatory USA Hockey Registration

A. No UHSH-registered team may participate in any tournament or any other out-of-state hockey activity involving associations other than USA Hockey and its members in which non-USA Hockey-registered teams are participants.

# 41.13 USA Hockey Registered Game Officials

- A. No UHSH-registered team may participate in any tournament or any other out-of-state hockey activity unless all game officials, (referees and linesmen), officiating the games in which the UHSH-registered team is participating are registered as officials with USA Hockey.
- B. It shall be the responsibility of the team trustee to ensure that this section is strictly



adhered to.

If any game official is not so registered, the trustee shall refuse to play the game.

# 41.14 Safe Playing Conditions

A. It shall be the responsibility of the trustee and/or head coach to ensure that the facility is safe for play. If, in the reasonable judgment of either the head coach or the trustee, the condition of the facility presents an unacceptable risk to the health, safety, and welfare of the participants, the head coach or trustee shall refuse to participate until such hazard(s) are rectified. If they disagree, the decision of the trustee shall be final.



## **Utah High School Hockey All-Star Teams**

#### 42.1 Purposes

- A. Showcase the UHSH program and honor skilled players who also demonstrate teamleadership, team spirit, etc.
- B. Each program shall be guaranteed one player participating on their respective divisions game only all-star team unless that player is suspended for any reason, moves away or transfers to another program prior to the All-Star game. In these cases the first available and eligible alternate shall be selected to fill the position.

#### 42.2 Eligibility/Non-Eligibility

- A. UHSH players registered by December 31st and in good standing with their program and in good standing with UHSH shall be eligible to participate on an all-star team. Players under suspension for any reason at the time of the game may not participate. Any player with over 50 penalty minutes or 2 game misconducts throughout the combined JV and Varsity seasons (preseason games do NOT count toward disqualifiers) will be considered unacceptable for participation.
- B. Any player that participates in what is considered the "final all-star game" will no longer be eligible to play on a JV team, this excludes girls and goalies, unless exempted by the eligibility committee.
- C. No player meeting these eligibility requirements may be denied participation unless the player is subject to discipline applying the disciplinary process outlined in these policies and procedures. The disciplinary committee may, as part of its disciplinary decision, deny the player the privilege of participating in All Star games. [8/2021]

#### 42.3 Nomination

- A. In order to be considered for membership on the all-star team, a player must be nominated by his/her head coach/team trustee. Players not so nominated shall be ineligible to participate.
- B. Coaches/team trustees are not required to nominate players if the skill level or behavior issuch that a coach feels there are no acceptable nominees, he/she may opt to nominate no one.
- C. Each season a deadline will be imposed for nominations from each eligible UHSH registered team so the selection process can be handled in a timely fashion.



D. For what is deemed to be the "final all-star" game each UHSH team is not guaranteed a roster spot.

#### 42.4 Guaranteed Position

- A. Per section 42.1 above, each eligible registered UHSH varsity program shall be entitled to have one player that is eligible to participate in the division I vs division II vs division II game, whichever division their team is registered in.
- B. The program head coach and team trustee shall determine the order his/her players are to be considered. The selection committee will then select from the submitted players from each team.
- C. The #1 selection of a program must be chosen before the #2 selection, etc. (exceptionlisted in 42.5.C)
- D. The head coach/ team trustee shall determine which player shall have an automatic berthon the team by listing that player as #1. All other players nominated by the head coach/team trustee shall be placed in a pool and shall be selected by the all-star selection committee.

#### 42.5 All-Star Selection Committee

- A. The all-star selection committee must select all players for the all-star teams from among the candidates provided by the head coach/team trustee. The all-star selection committee may not select players who have not been nominated by their head coach/team trustee.
- B. To ensure that section 42.4 is satisfied, the all-star selection committee will place the #1 nominee from each UHSH varsity program on the all-star teams first, provided the #1 nominee meets all eligibility requirements listed in section 42.2. The all-star team rosters will then be filled using players from the pool as listed in section 42.4.D.
- C. As the all-star team rosters are filled by the committee, it is possible that the available positions (forward, defense, goalie) may not match a team's next nominee. (Example: only defensive positions are available and the next nominee for Team X is a forward.) When this happens, the all-star selection committee will give the head coach/team trustee the option of having their nominee play a different position in the all-star game or skip to the next nominee.

# 42.6 Team Makeup

- A. When possible, each team shall be comprised of three forward lines, three defensive pairs and three goaltenders. The total number of players on each team is not to exceed twenty- three (23); twenty (20) players and three (3) goalies.
- B. It shall be the responsibility of the all-star selection committee to place players on teams with an eye to parity and not according to varsity team affiliation. A tie all-star game should be



viewed as the ultimate goal of team makeup.

- C. Players from the same team should be kept together whenever possible. The program makeup of the division I and division II teams is subject to the all-star selection committee's desire to balance teams.
- D. If, in the opinion of the all-star selection committee it is necessary to place players from the same program on different teams in order to balance the teams, the committee is empowered to unilaterally do so.

#### 42.7 All-Star Coaches

- A. All-Star head coaches will be determined by league standings. For the Division I vs Division I game, the team that finished first will be head coach of one team and the team that finished second will be the head coach of the second team. Six more coaches, 3 for each team, will then be selected based on league standings, teams finishing 3 through eight For the Division II vs Division II game, the team that finished first will be head coach of one team and the team that finished second will be the head coach of the second team. Six more coaches, 3 for each team, will then be selected based on league standings, teams finishing 3 through eight for what is deemed the "final All-Star" game the team that finished first in each division will be selected as the 2 head coaches and the remaining 6 coaches will be selected as per league standings, i.e. first, second, third, four place, etc. foreach division.
- B. The girls' all-star coaches will be selected by the all-star selection committee.

#### 42.8 Alternates

A. The all-star selection committee shall select at least two alternates at each position in case players are injured, opt not to participate or are suspended. The committee shall ensure that alternate players are apprised of the situation and that they will be available to participate if called upon.

#### 42.9 All-Star Game

- A. There shall be a division I and a division II all-star game held in which each registeredeligible UHSH varsity team is represented.
- B. There will be a "final all-star game" in which team selection will be determined by the All-Star committee and utilizing the impartial evaluators input.
- C. Dependent on the availability of players, there will be a girl's all-star game; with the opponent to be determined each year as appropriate. Each team will submit their girls toparticipate, and the all-star selection committee will utilize as many girls as possible to hold a girls all-star game.
- D. The games shall be a minimum of three sixteen (16) minute periods.



- E. The coaches shall make every attempt to play each line equally.
- F. Each goaltender shall play one period.
- G. Ties will go to 5-minute sudden death, 5 man shootout, and then sudden death shootout.
- H. Each Players receiving a "Fighting" misconduct penalty as noted on the official scoresheetas such, shall be subject to the UHSH "fighting" suspensions for their program and shall be immediately suspended from all further UHSH activities until he/she can appear before the UHSH disciplinary board
- I. Each team may have a sixty-second time-out.
- J. All game misconducts will be upheld to the player's respective UHSH team and the player receiving the game misconduct may be subject to further discipline.



# **Utah High School Hockey Academic All-Stars**

# 43.1 Purposes

A. UHSH players with a GPA of 3.5 or above will be honored with a certificate of accomplishment. The team trustee should submit a request for this honor. The UHSH Academic All-Stars will be acknowledged at the UHSH All-Star game.



# **Robinson League MVP Award**

#### 44.1 History/Purpose

- A. The "Jeffery Glass Robinson Most Valuable Player" awards are trophies awarded eachyear to the UHSH Division I and Division II most valuable players.
- B. The awards were established by Claire Gaylord in memory of her son Jeff who was killed in a one car rollover on the way to hockey practice for the Judge Memorial team in North Salt Lake.
- C. Jeffrey moved to Salt Lake City from Rochester, New York in 1981. Though he enjoyed skiing, tennis and sailing, his real love was hockey. Always a sportsman and gentleman, Jeffrey's dedication to the game of hockey will be rewarded though the efforts of others who emulate his memorable qualities and contributions. Perseverance, commitment, team spirit, positive attitude, pride and above all, sportsmanship were the qualities and attitudes that Jeff brought to the game of hockey during his seven years with S.L.A.H.A. (1981- 1988). Jeff participated in hockey as he did at school and in life, with a gentle nature and great attitude. All who knew him will always think of his warm smile. He will be missed but never forgotten. This award will be presented annually to the high school offensive player who best exemplifies the spirit and quality which Jeff brought to the S.L.A.R.A. program.

## 44.2 Candidates/Eligibility

- A. All UHSH participants registered as members of UHSH prior to the 31st of December of the current season and are nominated by their respective head coaches shall be eligible for this award regardless of year in school. This does not include 4th year seniors.
- B. Candidates may be eliminated based on playing record or penalty infractions.

# 44.3 Trophies

A. Each winning candidate will receive a personal trophy as well has have his/her name inscribed on the permanent trophy on display in the UHSH trophy case.

#### 44.4 Candidate Selection Criteria

- A. In reaching a "short-list" consensus, the all-star selection committee shall review the UHSH hockey history of each candidate. Gross misconduct penalties, match penalties and/or fighting penalties may be considered as grounds for exclusion.
- B. Other objective criteria may be used to "short-list" potential candidates as the scholarship



and awards committee sees fit.

C. All candidates must be held to the same criteria.

## 44.5 Application

- A. Each program trustee is responsible for nominating their team's eligible players by completing the application on the UHSH website.
- B. All applications must be submitted before the 15th of January.
- C. This application form must be completed in its entirety by the candidate. Failure to answerall questions may be the sole grounds for elimination as a candidate.

#### 44.6 Scholarship & Awards Committee Membership & Voting

- A. The scholarship and awards committee shall be comprised of a minimum of five (5) members plus a Chairperson. More members are recommended in order that the committee may function if members are disqualified because of a conflict of interest, should they be unavailable or if they are not in good standing with the UHSH Board of Trustees. Non- trustees may be committee members. The committee chairperson is responsible for selecting committee members. The Chairperson shall endeavor to select committee members who are able to remain impartial and shall determine which members to excuse, if any, to maintain this impartiality. The chairperson shall excuse committee members who have direct team benefit or loss with the outcome for that situation. The Scholarship and Awards committee must have a minimum of five voting members to conduct a vote.
- B. The primary responsibility of the chairperson is to convene the committee, prepare the materials needed for committee deliberations, facilitate discussion, call for a vote, maintain committee records and provide reports to the board of trustees. The Chairperson may not vote except to break a tie or if another member has a conflict, is unavailable or has failed tomaintain good standing with the UHSH Board of Trustees.
- C. Should a situation occur where a player, coach or volunteer, under consideration, is knownto be on one of the committee member's teams, that committee member will be excused from the deliberations and voting for that situation. The Chairperson may act as a voting committee member in place of the excused committee member, or the Chairperson may choose to appoint an interim voting member to serve for this situation.
- D. The outcome of voting will be made available to the UHSH Board of Trustees in timelymanner.

# 44.7 Method of Selection



- A. The scholarship and awards committee shall short list candidates to five or six basedpurely on some form of objective criteria including neatness of submittals, lack of requested information, lack of letters of recommendation, serious penalties, etc.
- B. After short listing the candidates, an intensive review of the applications shall be conducted by the scholarship and awards committee. The decision shall be generally subjective at this time.

#### 44.8 What Must be Considered in the Selection Process

A. In making its selections, the scholarship and awards committee must consider a players skill level. This award is for the most skilled UHSH player. Other criteria may be used if the committee determines that two or more candidates are equally skilled.



# Tim Hixson Memorial Scholarship Award

## 45.1 History/Purpose

- A. The "Tim Hixson Memorial Scholarship" Awards are trophies and cash scholarships awarded each year to the UHSH defenseman and goaltender/forward selected as the mostwell rounded UHSH participants by the scholarship and awards committee.
- B. The awards were established by Ray and Vivian Hixson in memory of their son Tim whowas killed by a drunk driver in Salt Lake City in 1982.

### 45.2 Candidates/Eligibility

- A. All 12th grade high school participants registered as members of UHSH prior to the 31st of December of the current season who complete and submit an application shall be candidates. This does not include 4th year seniors.
- B. Candidates must apply for the award at the position he/she played for the majority of the current season to date.

#### 45.3 Cash Award

A. A trust account has been established at a local Utah bank. Eighty percent (80%) of the interest (currently about \$1,500.00), earned each year from this trust account will be distributed equally, (subject to some use restrictions), to each winning candidate in the form of a scholarship to any higher center of education or bona fide center for teaching atrade.

# 45.4 Trophies

A. In addition to a cash scholarship, each winning candidate will receive a personal trophy aswell and have his/her name inscribed on the permanent trophy on display in the UHSH trophy case.

#### 45.5 Candidate Selection Criteria

- A. In reaching a "short-list" consensus the scholarship and awards committee shall review the UHSH hockey history of each candidate. Gross misconduct penalties, match penalties and/or fighting penalties may be used by the committee to exclude players from consideration but it is not required that this criterion be used.
- B. Other objective criteria may be used to "short-list" potential candidates as the scholarship and awards committee sees fit.



C. All candidates must be held to the same criteria.

## 45.6 Application

- A. Each program trustee is asked to notify their team's eligible players about the scholarship application on the UHSH website.
- B. All applications must be submitted before the 15th of January.
- C. This application form must be completed in its entirety by the candidate. Failure to answerall questions may be the sole grounds for elimination as a candidate.

### 45.7 Scholarship Administration

A. The scholarship shall be administered by the bank which administers the scholarship fund. Distributions shall be made through application to the bank.

#### 45.8 Scholarship Use Restriction

- A. The scholarship funds may be used for pursuing any higher education degree or trade school certification. Books, room & board, tuition, school fees, lab fees, etc., are accepted expenses. Transportation to and from school, phone calls, computer equipment, social fraternity/sorority fees, etc., are not accepted expenses. Trade schools may include any legitimate school providing training in a trade. This may include pilots license, truck driving school, heavy machinery operation school, beauty school, etc.
- B. If questions arise as to the legitimacy of the academic or trade school, the final determination as to whether the school meets the definition of an academic school or tradeschool as implied in the award shall be resolved by the UHSH board of trustees.
- C. The funds are to be distributed directly to the school. At no time is the recipient to havefunds distributed directly to him/her.
- D. The funds shall be distributed up to 5 years from the date of the award. Unused funds afterthat period shall be forfeited back to the trust. If funds are distributed and the award winner fails to complete the course for which the funds were intended the funds shall be returned by the educational institution to the trust.
- E. The trust fund will pay no taxes of any kind on the distribution. Payment of all taxes shallbe the responsibility of the recipient.

# 45.9 Scholarship & Awards Committee Membership & Voting



- A. The scholarship and awards committee shall be comprised of a minimum of 3 membersplus a chairperson. More members are recommended in order that the committee may function if members are disqualified because of a conflict of interest.
- B. The chairperson may not vote except to break a tie or if another member has a conflict of interest.
- C. The committee chairperson must be a trustee but other volunteers can be members. All committee members must be members in good standing of the UHSH board of trustees.

#### 45.10 Method of Selection

- A. The scholarship and awards committee shall short list candidates to five or six based purely on some form of objective criteria including neatness of submittals, answers toquestions, lack of requested information, lack of letters of recommendation, serious penalties, etc.
- B. After short listing the candidates, in-person interviews and intensive review of the applications shall be conducted. The decision shall be generally subjective at this time.

#### 45.11 What May Not be Considered in the Selection Process

A. In making its selections, the scholarship and awards committee may not consider a players skill level. This award is for the most well-rounded 12th grade player who also happens to play ice hockey. Skill may not be factored into the decision.



## Gary Jones Memorial Coach of the Year Award

## 46.1 History/Purpose

- A. UHSH shall establish an award for the coach of the year from Division I and Division II in memory of Gary Jones.
- B. The UHSH Coach of the Year Award was renamed after Gary Jones for his contribution to hockey in Utah.

## 46.2 Candidates/Eligibility

- A. Only head coaches shall be eligible for this award.
- B. Names of potential candidates may be submitted by any person by completing the application on the UHSH website.
- C. A determination shall be made based on objective criteria such as team won-loss record, least penalized team, etc., as well as subjective criteria such as team demeanor, team attitude, team on- ice behavior, team neatness, etc. These criteria shall apply to all nominees and may not be selectively applied.
- D. UHSH prohibits co-head coaches so no two coaches from the same program can be selected.
- E. If voting ends in a tie, the chairperson will break the tie. Should the chairperson have a conflict of interest, another member of the committee shall cast the vote to break the tie. The committee shall determine which member shall cast the tie breaking vote. This will give the committee member two votes.

# 46.3 Trophies

A. Each winning candidate will receive a personal trophy as well has have his/her nameinscribed on the permanent trophy on display in the UHSH trophy case.

# 46.4 Eligibility

- A. In order to be eligible, a nominee must meet the following requirements:
- 1. Be registered and in good standing with UHSH and USA Hockey
- 2. Be listed as head coach on the official USA Hockey registration form.



- 3. Have coached from the bench a minimum of 75% of the scheduled games, (up to the cut-off date for nominations as established by UHSH from time to time), for the team from which he/she is nominated.
- 4. Be registered with USA Hockey as a "head coach" for a UHSH varsity team.

## 46.5 Application

- A. Any person who is a member of UHSH may nominate a coach for this award bycompleting the nomination form on the UHSH website.
- B. All nomination forms must be submitted before the 15th of January.
- C. The nomination form must be completed in its entirety. Failure to answer all questionsmay be the sole grounds for elimination as a candidate.

### 46.6 Scholarship & Awards Committee Membership & Voting

- A. The scholarship and awards committee shall be comprised of a minimum of 3 membersplus a chairperson. More members are recommended in order that the committee may function if members are disqualified because of a conflict of interest.
- B. A slate of nominated candidates will be provided to each UHSH head coach. Each UHSH head coach, from the current season, is eligible to submit one vote for a candidate. Only coaches on the slate of candidates, provided by the scholarship and awards committee, are eligible candidates for this award.
- C. If voting ends in a tie, the chairperson will break the tie. Should the chairperson have a conflict of interest, another member of the committee shall cast the vote to break the tie. The committee shall determine which member shall cast the tie breaking vote. This will give the committee member two votes.
- D. The committee chairperson must be a trustee but other volunteers can be members of this committee. All committee members must be in good standing with the UHSH board of trustees.



# "Art Teece" Lady MVP Award

### 47.1 "Art Teece" MVP Award

A. The Utah Grizzlies have established a scholarship fund to award a trophy and financial scholarship to a UHSH female player. High School Hockey has designated this as the "Art Teece MVP Award". Selection for this award shall be made by UHSH within the same guidelines as the Hixson Award and shall be administered by the scholarship and awards committee.



#### Dave Brown Volunteer of the Year Award

#### 48.1 History/Purpose

- A. UHSH shall establish an award for the volunteer of the year in memory of Dave Brown.
- B. The UHSH Coach of the Year Award was established after the passing of Dave Brown forhis contribution to hockey in Utah.

#### 48.2 Candidates/Eligibility

- A. Volunteers for outstanding contribution and dedication to UHSH shall be eligible for this award.
- B. Names of potential candidates may be submitted by any person by completing the application on the UHSH website.

### 48.3 Trophies

A. The winning candidate will receive a personal trophy as well has have his/her name inscribed on the permanent trophy on display in the UHSH trophy case.

# 48.4 Eligibility

A. In order to be eligible, a nominee must be registered and in good standing with UHSH and USA Hockey

# 48.5 Application

- A. Any person who is a member of UHSH may nominate a coach for this award bycompleting the application on the UHSH website.
- B. All applications must be submitted before the 15th of January.
- C. This application form must be completed in its entirety by the candidate. Failure to answerall questions may be the sole grounds for elimination as a candidate.

# 48.6 Scholarship & Awards Committee Membership & Voting

A. The scholarship and awards committee shall be comprised of a minimum of 3 membersplus a chairperson. More members are recommended in order that the committee may function if members are disqualified because of a conflict of interest.



- B. The chairperson may not vote except to break a tie or if another member has a conflict of interest.
- C. The committee chairperson must be a trustee but other volunteers can be members. All committee members must be members in good standing of the UHSH board of trustees.



#### **Awards**

#### 49.1 Other Awards

- A. In addition to the "Jeffery Glass Robinson" League MVP awards, the "Tim Hixson Memorial" awards and scholarships and the all-star team selection, UHSH may, from time to time, make other awards to teams, coaches or players designed to reward behavior or achievement milestones.
- B. The "Joe Rogers Memorial" trophy shall be awarded to the winner of the final championship game of the top affiliated division. This trophy is a "Traveling" trophy andmust be returned to the president of UHSH immediately after the completion of the final playoff game. A second trophy shall be awarded for the same achievement which shall remain the property of the winning team.
- C. Trophies will be awarded to the top two finishing teams in each division in which a championship game is conducted. (Awarding of individual player trophies shall be at the discretion of the board of trustees).



#### **UHSH Committee**

## 50.1 List of Committees

A. At the beginning of each season, the UHSH Board shall accept nominations for the position of chairperson for the Eligibility, Discipline, Scholarship & Awards and other committees as needed. The committee chairperson must be a current trustee. Chairpersons are subject to the approval of a majority vote of the board of trustees. If no nominations are offered from the pool of current trustees, the board of trustees may choose to approve continuation of a non-trustee chairperson by a majority vote of the board. Non-trustee volunteers can be voting committee members. All Committee members must be in good standing with the UHSH board of trustees.

Committee Name	Responsibility
Eligibility Committee	Player Eligibility
Disciplinary Committee	Disciplinary Issues
All-Star Selection Committee	All-Star Game Players and Coaches
Awards and Scholarship Committee	Robinson, Hixson, Jones, Teece, Brown
	Awards and awards banquet
Finance Committee	Develop Annual Budget
Fundraising/Sponsorship Committee	Fundraising/Sponsorship
Grow the Game Committee	Grow UHSH
Goalie Development Committee	Goalie Clinics
Scheduling Committee	Scheduling
Skills Competition Committee	On Ice Skills Competition
Social Media Committee	Social Media Policies and Procedures



# **Forms**

# 51.1 Utah High School Hockey Forms & Location

Form Name	Location
Injury Report	UHSH website
Travel Authorization	UHSH website
Consent to Treat and Travel	UHSH website
Out-of-State Travel Team Rules and	UHSH website
Regulations	
Freshman (9 <sup>th</sup> Grader) Letter of	UHSH registration process
Commitment	
Travel Authorization	UHSH website



# **Revision History**

# 52.1 Revision Cool off Period

A. Prior to a vote in changes to the policy and procedures, there will be a cool off period of no less than 30 days.

# 52.2 P&P Revision History

Rev	Date	Approved by	Remarks
00	04/12/2016	UHSH Board of Trustees	Policies and Procedures were sent to all trustees prior to April's meeting for review. P&P's reorganized and updated to include table of contents, player eligibility approved, awards that were previously not included, three division formats.
01	06/07/2016	UHSH Board of Trustees	A motion in May meeting and voted on in June for the following:  First. Remove from the P&P's section 27.2.A, 2 "The State Champion of Division II will be required to go to Division I the following season regardless of their upcoming team's composition."  Second. Change periods in a varsity game from fifteen (15) to sixteen (16) minutes. This will better utilize the current ice time and closer reflect the playing time of Nationals.
02	10/11/2016	UHSH Board of Trustees	A motion in September meeting and voted on in October for the following: Add Section 7.2.B All trustees' participation in the monthly board of trustees meeting was inserted.
03	12/13/2016	UHSH Board of Trustees	A motion in November meeting and voted on in December for the following: Change Section 44.4.B to change the all-star selection committee to the scholarship and awards committee.



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05	08/01/2017	UHSH Board of Trustees	A motion was made in the April 2017 meeting and voted on in the May meeting for the following: Change Section 30.3 to eliminate curfew in certain playoff games Amend dates in Section 27.2 to one month earlier to allow for efficient production of season schedule. A motion made in the June meeting and voted on in the July meeting to: Amend Section 18.9 to establish procedures for the goaltender pool Add Section 28.8 to deal with weather-related game postponements.
06	4/10/2018	UHSH Board of Trustees	Section 18.1(D) added to state: D. A player must register and be added to the roster of the team prior to the date which the Utah Amateur Hockey Association determines that rosters are frozen for that season.
07	6/15/2018	UHSH Board of Trustees	Section 18.3 was changed to modify JV eligibility. Section 27 was amended to make stylistic changes and add provision for preseason games.
08	7/10/2018	UHSH Board of Trustees	Section 27.7 was added to include a Division II for JV
09	8/18/2018	UHSH Board of Trustees	Section 18.9 was changed to add sections I and J and make revisions to F
10	10/17/2018	UHSH Board of Trustees	Section 28.3 was changed a few years ago to reflect 13 minute periods for JV games.
11	6/1/2019	UHSH Board of Trustees	9.2 edited to add provision for failure to pay invoices, 46.0 amended to make stylistic changes. 18.13 amended to note girls on travel teams eligible to play JV during all grades. 42.4 and 42.5 amended to reflect selection of All-Stars.
12	6/14/2019	UHSH Board of Trustees	Added 28.9, 28.10 and 23.5
13	7/20/2019	UHSH Board of Trustees	Eliminated 27.7 (JV Division II); amended 27.2 to allow 3 Tier players plus goalies in D2;
14	9/8/2019	UHSH Board of Trustees	27.5 amended to allow self-selection of D2 teams and review Team Evaluation Committee, 18.13 to allow freshmen to play regardless of Tier status, 34.2 amended to make fighting revisions.



15	11/13/2020	UHSH Board of Trustees	27.6 amended, 28.2 amended to reflect procedure for forfeiture of a game, eliminated 28.9 (Run Time)
16	11/X/2020	UHSH Board of Trustees	18.12 and 18.13 amended to reflect discipline for eligibility violations, 31.1 amended to add volunteer requirement, 18.11, 27.7, 38.1, 44.6 and 50.1 amended to clarify committee memberships
17	2/5/2021	UHSH Board of Trustees	27.2 amended