



CENTRAL FLA. ICE HOCKEY OFFICIAL'S ASSOCIATION
CODE OF CONDUCT 2024/2025

1. Always act in a professional and business-like manner and dress properly.
2. Be at the rink a minimum of fifteen minutes (preferably 30) prior to the game.
3. I understand I am a USA Hockey registered official and must conduct myself appropriately and must use the principles put forth in the USA Hockey standards and rule book.
4. Adopt a zero-tolerance attitude towards verbal and physical abuse against you, your partner and off-ice officials working your game.
5. Never use vulgar language or any kind of intimidation towards players, coaches, or spectators.
6. Always be fair and impartial and answer all reasonable questions and requests. Admit a mistake if one is made. Take your time and get it right.
7. My equipment and uniform should fit properly and be well maintained.
8. No alcohol, tobacco use, or electronic cigarettes are to be used on or about the locker room and ice surface before, during and after games. No alcohol or drug use is allowed prior to a game.
9. No use of cell phone on the ice during the game you are officiating or in between periods.
10. Keep the referee room or dressing area neat and clean at all facilities.
11. If you miss an accepted assignment, you will be fined the amount of the game fee and that will be paid to your partner who worked alone.
12. If you also play any level of hockey or coach any level of hockey and you receive a game misconduct for any offense, you will be given a 30-day suspension from officiating with CFIHOA. If you receive a match penalty you will be suspended from officiating with CFIHOA for a period of six months.
13. Use of cell phone to take video or pictures during a game that you are officiating is prohibited. Any posts regarding USA Hockey or CFIHOA on social media should be appropriate and not criticize any players, coaches, fans, or fellow officials. Any violation could lead to disciplinary action by the CFIHOA board of directors.

AS AN OFFICIAL YOU ARE EXPECTED TO FOLLOW USA HOCKEY STANDARDS AND RULE BOOK AND THE CFIHOA CODE OF CONDUCT AT ALL TIMES. ALL POLICIES OF CFIHOA ARE COVERED IN OUR BY-LAWS. YOU MAY ASK FOR A COPY OF THEM.

BY SIGNING BELOW, YOU UNDERSTAND AND ACCEPT THE TERMS IN THIS CODE OF CONDUCT FORM. ANY VIOLATION WILL BE MET WITH DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS.

Official's Name (print) _____

Official's Name (sign and date) _____

If under 18 years of age: Guardian's Name (print) _____

Guardian's Signature and Date: _____