



Atlanta Amateur Hockey League Bylaws

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A. ADMINISTRATIVE LEADERSHIP

1. Officers

a. Voting

The League will have the following voting officers: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Past President, and a Vice President from each level.

1. No individual shall be permitted to hold more than one voting office at a time.
2. If at any time, the President is prevented by absence, unavailability or other inability to take Any action called for, or duty to be fulfilled by the President pursuant to the Bylaws, upon the President's request, the Past President, Secretary or Treasurer may act in his place and stead. All such actions taken or decisions made by the Past President, Secretary, and/or Treasurer will be deemed taken or made as if such actions were taken or made by the president, and with full force and effect.

b. Non-Voting

The League will have the following non-voting officers: Head Scorekeeper and League Statistician, and the President may also appoint a league attorney or other officer, to serve at his pleasure. No individual shall be permitted to hold more than one office at a time.

c. Vice Presidents

A Vice President must be a player assigned to one of the teams he/she represents.

2. Board of Directors and Executive Board

a. Board of Directors – Composition

The Board of Directors (Board) shall be comprised of the officers listed in Section A part 1.a.. Unless specifically indicated to the contrary herein, a “meeting” or “board meeting” shall mean a meeting of the executive board and the officers set forth in Section A part 1.a and 1.b.

b. Executive Board – Eligibility for Executive Office

The Executive Board of Directors the President, Past President, Secretary, and Treasurer, shall be limited to active players in the in the open league divisions of the AAHL, being the A, AA, or AAA divisions and their respective levels.

1. In addition to any other eligibility requirements specified in the By-Laws, a player must be on an open division team to be eligible to run for any executive office, and must remain an active player for the duration of his or her term.
2. If a player is not active exclusively due to injury or illness, that player may complete the remainder of his or her tenure in office, and may run for re-election to the same office in the next succeeding election.
3. If for any reason the executive officer ceases to be eligible during his or her tenure, that officer shall cease to hold office on the first day of the next month after losing eligibility, and the rules of succession shall apply.

c. Executive Board – Composition

The Executive Board of Directors shall be comprised of the President, Past President, Secretary, and Treasurer.



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d. Succession of Office

1. President- If for any reason the President shall cease to serve or become ineligible to continue to serve in office, the Past President shall assume the duties of President until the next scheduled Executive Board meeting. The Executive Board shall by majority vote, select an otherwise eligible person to serve out the former President's remaining term.

2. Other Executive Officer - If for any reason any Executive Officer other than the President shall become ineligible to continue to serve in office, the President shall appoint an otherwise eligible person to fill that office temporarily until the next scheduled Executive Board meeting. The Executive Board shall approve or disapprove the President's selection by majority vote. After approval of the President's selection, such person shall serve out the former Executive Officer's remaining term.

3. Elections

a. Nominations of officers

Nominations of officers will be held during the month of January of each year, beginning January 2 and continuing until January 31. A member must be eligible to run for office (Section A part 5) to be nominated. There will be no elections for uncontested positions. Candidates who run unopposed will automatically be considered the winner of the election.

b. Ballots

Ballots will be distributed to the team captains who will be responsible for distributing the ballots to the team members. All ballots must be distributed by February 15. The ballots must be returned to one of the ballot boxes located at each rink by March 15.

c. Voter Eligibility

Elections for Vice Presidents will be limited to members of the divisions they are to represent. Elections for the President, Secretary, and Treasurer will be by the membership at large. Presidential contender must have served on the Executive Board for at least one year (previous election, to date of new election is sufficient) or as a Vice President for 5 years before becoming eligible to run for office.

d. Election Procedure

The Board will collect and count the ballots. The League Secretary will attend and record the minutes of the meeting and the results of the election. Non voting officers (A 1 b.) shall be appointed or removed by the President, with the approval of the Executive Board.

e. Past President

Each President upon leaving office shall remain on the Board as Past President until he is succeeded by a new Past President.

4. Terms of Office

The officers shall be considered installed following the winter season and will serve for two years. Elections for Vice Presidents for A, AAA, Treasurer will occur in even number years. Elections for Vice President AA, Secretary, & President will occur in odd numbered years. If for any reason a vacancy should arise during the term of office, the remaining Board members shall have the authority to name a replacement to complete the term.

5. Eligibility to Run for Office

Any member in good standing (Section A part 7) may have his name placed on the ballot by notifying the Board of his intentions before the nomination deadline (Section A part 3). Each



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nominee must be nominated in writing by at least ten (10) members of the league. Candidates running for the position of President, must have prior AAHL Executive Board experience as set forth in 3c, above. No officer may take office unless and until the then currently effective Confidentiality Agreement has been signed and returned to the President. Upon revision or modification of the confidentiality agreement, no officer may continue in office upon refusal to sign such amended agreement, and may summarily be suspended from such duties and privileges of his or her office by the President until such agreement is signed.

6. Eligibility to Vote

Any league member in good standing is eligible to vote.

7. Member in Good Standing

A member in good standing is a member who is assigned to one of the League teams, (not on waiting list) whose dues are current, and who is not on suspension or probation or awaiting a hearing by the Board.

8. Board Meetings - Procedure/Quorum

a. Number and Notice of Board Meetings

The President shall call Board meetings as and where he deems necessary. There shall be a minimum of four (4) Board meetings per season. All Board members must be notified of each Board meeting at least one week prior to the scheduled meeting. Board meetings shall be open only to Board members and guests approved by the Board. League members who wish to attend Board meetings must obtain permission to attend Board meetings as a guest through written request (Section A part 13).

b. Quorum

A quorum is necessary to hold any Board meeting. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the Board of Directors, and must include at least two members of the Executive Board.

c. Ratification of Board Actions

Any approval required by these Bylaws shall be deemed authorized by a favorable majority vote of the voting officers present at any scheduled meeting.

d. Ratification of Board Actions Between Meetings

If needed between scheduled board meetings, any approval required by these Bylaws shall be deemed authorized by receipt by the president of the verbal approval of a majority of those eligible to vote at meetings.

9. Board Decisions

Board decisions shall be decided by a majority vote of the Board members present at any meeting. In the discretion of the President, any or all Board members not physically present at a meeting may be permitted to attend any such meeting by telephone, with the same force and effect as if physically present at the meeting place.

10. General Meeting

The League shall have at least one (1) general meeting prior to the start of each season. This meeting shall be called by the President and will be attended by the Board, the Team Captains, and the Team Representatives. Other league members who wish to attend must obtain



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permission to attend (section A. part 13). All Board Members, Captains, and Team Representatives must be notified of each meeting one (1) week prior to the scheduled meeting time.

11. Team Captains

Those individuals wishing to serve as Team Captains must so indicate their wish to the Board prior to the draft. All Captains must be a member of the team they are captain of. The Board reserves the right to deny requests to serve as a Team Captain. No Goaltender may serve as a Team Captain. A Goaltender may assist a Captain in drafting as a Team Representative. Each Captain must wear a "C" on his team jersey as a designation of his position. No Board Member may serve as a Team Captain or Team Representative. Team Captains are responsible for knowing all rules applicable to them, whether contained in the Bylaws or in the Captains packets distributed before each new season.

12. Team Representatives

Those individuals wishing to serve as Team Representative must so indicate their wish to the Board prior to the draft. He must be a member of the team they represent. The Board reserves the right to deny requests to serve as a Team Representative. He may represent his team in the absence of the Captain or with the Captain. No Board Member may serve as a Team Representative or assist in the draft.

13. Board Meeting Guest

Any person wishing to address the Board shall petition the league President in writing at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting, stating the reason for his request. The Board may grant or deny such a request by majority vote, the outcome of the vote to be recorded in the minutes.

14. Publication

The League shall have a publication entitled "The Blueline" and will attempt to publish a minimum of four (4) issues a year. The Board shall decide the publication dates and will appoint the Publication Committee (Section G. part 4) to write and circulate The Blueline. The Blueline may be in print or online version, and may be mailed via United States Post Office or by email.

15. Committees

The Board shall have the power to create committees to help perform the necessary functions of the League. The members and chairman of each committee will be appointed by the Board except where noted in Section G. Committees may be temporary (to perform a single one time function) or permanent (to perform on going League functions). Permanent committees must be approved as a rule change under Section A. part 16. If approved the new committee is amended to Section G. Committees shall be responsible to report to the Board. The Board may request a committee report at any scheduled Board meeting with a least one (1) week notice to the committee chairman.

16. Rules of the League

Any request for rule changes affecting game play must be made by a Board Member. New rules must be approved by a two-thirds majority vote of the Board members and team captains



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present. If the vote is held during the off-season, team captains from the previous season will be considered the current team captains.

17. Board Member Compensation

For each year of service, board members receive credit for 1 year of free dues.

18. Confidentiality of Board Discussions

Decisions of the Board are to be publicized to the Membership at large in the manner determined by the Executive Board. This may be by mailing, email, Blue Line, through Vice Presidents, Captains, or by publication in the minutes of the Board and /or the Bylaws. Discussions at Board Meetings when meeting in executive session are confidential. To promote frank and open discussion amongst Board members, without fear of undue pressure from non Board members, upon the suggestion of the President, no disclosure of such discussions occurring in executive session are to be published outside of the Board, absent a majority vote of the Board to override the President's suggestion. The President will make such suggestion following the close of discussion as to any topic the President wishes to remain confidential to the Board. This will not prevent a Board member from reporting that he or she took or advocated a certain position at a Board Meeting, but that after discussion the position was either accepted not accepted by a majority of the Board members. Violation of this rule will be recorded confidentially by the Secretary upon complaint of the President, and a cautionary reminder will be issued to the offending Board Member. Upon a subsequent violation of this directive, the Board will meet to decide, by majority vote, upon an appropriate sanction for this conduct. This can range from a warning to a suspension of up to 30 days from voting participation at Board meetings. Upon a third violation of this directive, the Board can by majority rule impose sanctions again, or upon 2/3 vote of the Board, suspend the offending officer, and call for new elections within 45 days of such Board decision. All officers must sign the Confidentiality agreement which includes, but is not limited to non disclosure of Sportability passwords, databases, and the executive discussions as set forth in this paragraph.

B. LEAGUE DUES

1. Assessment

There shall be player dues assessed against all members of the league as determined by the Board of Directors.

2. First Time Players

A First Time Player, or new member (see D-1, below) will be required to pay an initiation fee not to exceed \$20.00. The exact amount of the fee will be determined by the Board prior to registration.

3. Dues Status

No player will play in any game or participate in any league event unless his dues are current. There will be NO EXCEPTIONS!

4. Bad Check or Invalid Credit Card

A player who pays with a bad check or invalid credit card shall be assessed a \$20.00 fine and/or a one (1) game suspension at the discretion of the Board. A bad check or invalid credit card not



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taken care of within One (1) banking day after notification will be treated as a nonpayment of dues and that player will be removed from the team roster.

5. Waiver, Release and Indemnification

No player may participate in any league activity unless and until the league receives a signed waiver/release on the form provided by the league with the application form. Players under the age of 18 (Recreation League) must have a special waiver (provided by the league) signed by his parent or guardian.

C. LEAGUE COMPOSITION

1. Divisions

The league shall be composed of 10 separate divisions as defined by the Board (currently 3 Open, 4 Over 35, 1 Rec, 1 Beginner, 1 Adjunct (Lady Thrashers)). If there are not enough players registered to form any given division, the Board will decide the league composition. Depending on registration and available resources, the Board may amend, by addition, deletion or modification, the composition of any division.

2. Playing Season

Prior to the beginning of the regular season, the Board shall decide the length and scope of the regular season competition. Prior to the end of the regular season, the Board will announce the post season play-off schedule. It is contemplated that some divisions will not have post season playoff games. Games in the Adjunct Division will be scheduled between the designated representatives of the AAHL and the Lady Thrashers.

Other rules, regulations, limitations and responsibilities applicable to the Adjunct Division, are set forth in detail in a separate letter of agreement between the AAHL and the Lady Thrashers, and the substance of said agreement and all changes thereto, are deemed incorporated into these Bylaws by reference.

3. Registration

All individuals desiring to play in the league will be required to register and pay dues before the deadline established by the Board. This is an invitational league, and the Board reserves the right to decline the application of any registrant for any reason. Without the necessity of a previously imposed conduct sanction, upon the vote of 2/3 of the board, any player may be expelled from the league, but shall be entitled to a pro rata refund of dues prepaid for unpaid games. In no event will there be a refund of initiation or insurance fees.

4. Waiting List

After the draft has been completed to comply with the minimum/maximum number of players (Section F part 2), any remaining players who were not drafted will be placed on a waiting list. Players will be required to pay a \$25 fee to remain on the waiting list. This fee will be applied towards dues when they are selected. If a player is not selected the full \$25 fee will be refunded. There will be two supplemental drafts the first after approximately one-third of the regular season games and the second after two-thirds of the regular season games have been played. Teams in last place in their level will pick first. All players picked must be on the waiting list. Teams can pick new players until they reach the maximum number of players per team as set by the Board. Any team that does not have the minimum number of players (set by



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the Board) on its roster must participate in the supplemental draft or players will be assigned to that team. After the completion of the second supplemental draft, no new players will be added to the rosters of any teams.

D. LEAGUE PLAYERS

1. New Players

A new player is one who has never at any prior time played in the AAHL, but shall include any previous league player whose last regularly scheduled game in a previous season was greater than 36 months prior to the date registration opens for the season for which the current application is being made.

2. Evaluation of New Players

All new players are encouraged to be evaluated. Evaluations will take place after the registration and prior to the draft.

3. Player Level Designation

The Board will designate each player to a level within a division based on the evaluation for new players or based on their knowledge of the players from past seasons, and if appropriate, by date of birth. The designation will be used by the Board to determine the number of teams for each level and by the team captains as a guide in drafting their team. Players misrepresenting their age to play in a division not open to them will be suspended for the balance of division play for that season, and forfeit any dues paid for such illegal registration. Captains of such illegal players will be suspended for 5 games (See D 6, below). In any event, the Board reserves the right, at any time, to reassign a player to a different level, if in the sole judgment of the Board, the player has been incorrectly assigned after draft, evaluation, or otherwise.

4. Temporary Players

No temporary players will be permitted to fill in for an injured or absent player. If a player is injured, he may forfeit his roster spot on the team for the remainder of the season and a replacement player picked off the waiting list.

5. Temporary Shifting Between Levels Prohibited

Absent prior Board approval, no player may play for any team except for the one that he is assigned or drafted by. The only exception is for goaltenders which is covered under Section D part 8 "Goaltender Absenteeism." No player may play on two different teams in any Level.

6. Use of an Ineligible Player

The only players authorized to play in a game are those listed on the league official roster. If an ineligible player is found to be playing in the league, the Captain of the team shall be suspended for not less than five (5) games.

7. Age

All players must be 18 years of age or older as of the date of the draft to be eligible to play in the League. Note that players under the age of 18 may be allowed to play if skating with a parent and the appropriate waiver has been signed by the parent. Players must be 35 years of



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age or older by the end of the playing season, to be eligible for play in the over 35 division. (See D 3,6,above)

8. Notice by email

All League members consent to receive email notices about or of interest to the League, from the League, Sportability, and The Atlanta Amateur Hockey League Foundation, Inc., via the email address they provide to the league at the time of registration or thereafter.

9. Goaltender Absenteeism

If a goaltender is not going to be able to be present for a game, he must notify his captain as soon as possible. The captain may use a goaltender from his level or a lower level if available without approval or any league approved goaltender with approval from that games opposing team captain prior to the start of the game. Use of unapproved goaltenders may cause game forfeiture and result in a suspension as decided by the league President, Vice President or the Board.

E. LEAGUE TEAMS

1. Established Teams (all divisions)

An established team is one that has participated in the league in the prior season. Such a team must be drafted and headed by a player who was a player on that team in the prior season. Should a reduction in the number of teams be necessary for any unforeseen reason, changes in the league structure will be decided by the Board. If in extraordinary circumstances a player has missed evaluation, the Board may assign not less than three Board members to evaluate and, subject to D-3 above, place the said player on a team..

2. New Teams

A new team is one that has not participated in the league in the prior season. Entry into the league requires approval of the Board.

3. Intra-Level Trades (all levels)

Intra-level trades must be completed prior to six weeks prior to the end of the season. All trades must be for an equal number of players. The league President or Level Vice President must be notified and approve the trade before players can change teams.

4. Inter-Level Trades (all levels)

Any trades between two (2) teams from different levels requires the approval of the league President and Level Vice Presidents. No player may be involved in more than one (1) inter-level trade in the same season.

5. Roster Changes of Level Vice President's Team

Any and all roster changes regarding the team that the Level Vice President plays on will require the approval of the Board.

6. Team Jerseys

Each team must use the color that is assigned to them. However, the League will allow any team to use the color of its choice as long as it does not conflict with another team in the same level. Each player must have a number on his jersey and only one player on each team may use



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a given number. Jersey colors that have been taken by established teams are not available. Every player must have the same color jersey or that player will not be allowed to play until a matching jersey is found. Referees officiating games have the final word as to uniform compliance at that game. Captains and Assistant Captains should wear respectively, a letter C or A on his or her jersey.

7. Number of Teams

The League will try to maintain at least the same number of teams in each level as played in the prior years' season. Each level will consist of six (6) teams if there are enough players. If there are not enough players the number of teams will be decided by the Board.

8. Team Rosters

A team roster will be supplied to the scorekeeper prior to each game by the league administrator. The team captain is required to supply the jersey numbers of the players listed on the roster.

F. PLAYER DRAFT

1. Evaluation of Players

The captains, team representatives, and board members present at the evaluation shall evaluate each player to determine which level he should play in. Players are placed on the appropriate level list of eligible players for the upcoming draft.

2. Division Level Draft

The Level Vice President, Team Captains, and Representatives shall decide prior to the time of the draft how the draft shall be conducted. The Board shall set the minimum and maximum number of players per team. Players must be selected from the appropriate level list of eligible players. If this list is exhausted then a team may select any non drafted member in good standing.

3. Protected Players

Prior to the evaluation a Team Captain may turn in a list of protected players. A player must be a member in good standing in order to be eligible to become a protected player.

G. COMMITTEES

1. Active committees

There are currently no permanent committees.

2. Auditor

The President shall appoint a League member to serve as an auditor of the books of the League. The Treasurer is not eligible to serve as auditor. The auditor shall not have check writing authority for the League accounts being audited.



H. PLAYING RULES

1. Game Rules

League games will be played using the current rules as set forth by USA Hockey for adult non-check ice hockey as a guideline. Exceptions and highlights are listed below. The Bylaws and Division specific rules of the AAHL may be amended, from time to time, to change the rules of play or rules governing the conduct of the players and officers of the AAHL. Such changes shall be made by majority vote of the board, and may be made effective immediately upon said change whether or not such rule changes are printed herein. The secretary shall keep minutes of all such rule changes, and the minutes shall be considered the official record of any such changes.

2. Team Assignment

Once a player has been drafted or assigned to a team, he will remain with that team for the entire season unless (1) he volunteers to drop out of the league, or (2) he is traded to another team with approval of Level Vice President(s), or is reassigned by the Board. A player may only play for one team.

I. Penalties

1. Definitions

a. Minor Penalties

This will be 2 minutes during stop time, or 2 ½ minutes during running time except in the over 35 division where minor penalties shall be of 1½ minutes duration.

b. Double Minor

A Double minor is equal to two minors, but if opponent scores a goal before the expiration of the first penalty, the first penalty immediately ends, but the player must serve full second penalty unless there is a subsequent opposing goal.

c. Major penalty

This is a 5 minute penalty with no expiration before the expiration of time, no matter how many opposing goals are scored.

d. Misconduct Penalty

Ten minutes for the player. No early termination in the event of opposing goal, but penalized team does not skate shorthanded.

e. Game Misconduct

Player may not play in balance of game. Team is not penalized except for accompanying minor penalties assessed by the Referee. Player must miss the next game.

f. Match Penalty

This is the most severe sanction, assessed for most serious offenses, and is reviewed by Board at its next meeting. Penalties can range up to a lifetime suspension from the league.



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2. Suspensions and Probation

a. Life Suspension

A life suspension can be given only with unanimous consent of the Board. If such is assessed at any Board meeting where board members are not present, the presiding member of the Executive Board may assess a temporary suspension to run through the next meeting attended by the full Board. The President, in his discretion, may contact the missing Board members by telephone, review the minutes of the suspension hearing with such Board members, and solicit a vote on the action taken in the said Board member's absence. If all absent Board members consent, the temporary suspension shall immediately be converted to a life suspension, and the offending player notified of the result.

b. Match Penalty

Match Penalty calls require the Match Penalty Report to be filled out immediately after the game in which the Match Penalty was called, and that the report be given to the scorekeeper immediately after the game. If there is no scorekeeper, it must be mailed to the League or given to one of the League officers within 24 hours of the game. Any Match Penalty call which is not made in compliance with this requirement will automatically be considered by the League as having been a Game Misconduct Penalty.

c. Temporary Suspension

A temporary suspension may be given by the President, any Level Vice President, or the Board. Such suspensions shall be reviewed at the next scheduled Board Meeting, or at the conclusion of such Board meeting, said suspension will expire. The Board may, but is not required to, review the temporary suspension by telephone, mail, or email, and vote as if the Board had met in regular session.

d. Probation

Same as a temporary suspension.

e. Expressed Duration

All suspensions and probations (except life suspension) shall be for a given number of games or seasons as opposed to any other criteria.

3. Observation of the Rules and Regulations of the League

Subject to confirmation as set forth in I. 2a-2d, any player who does not observe any rule or regulation of the league may be immediately and temporarily suspended by any member of the Board, as affirmed by a confirming vote of the Board. Immediate temporary suspensions may be assessed by any officer, pending review at the next Board Meeting.

4. Hearing before the Board

Any player may request a hearing on any suspension that exceeds three games in length. If no Board meeting can be scheduled before the passage of 3 games, the suspension shall be abated until such time as the Board may schedule a hearing for the affected player to appear and challenge the ruling of the Board.



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J. Penalty Guidelines

1. League Specific Penalties

Penalties shall be in conformity with the guidelines applicable to USA Hockey as modified by the League. Unless otherwise indicated, minor penalty duration shall be 2½ minutes during running time or two minutes during stop time. Recreational minor penalties are 2 minutes, and Over 35 League minor penalties 1½ minutes during running time, or 1 minute during stop time.

a. Conduct of Players after Penalty Call

1. Discussion of any call with the Officials may only be made by team captain or assistant wearing a 'C' or 'A' on his Jersey. If neither are in attendance at a game, the team must designate a player representative to the Officials prior to the start of the game. Violation of this rule by attempting to argue a call by other than the designated representative may result in an additional call of unsportsmanlike conduct.
2. Following a call which results in a major penalty, a player may not return to the bench or other areas of the ice for equipment, but must skate directly to the door. Officials or a team mate will retrieve equipment from the ice or the bench and transport it to the player at the door.
- 3A Match Penalty call requires a Match Penalty report form to be completed immediately after the game, and turned in to the scorekeeper at that time, or if there is no scorekeeper, given to a league officer or mailed to the League, within 24 hours of the call. If a Captain does not fill out the form prior to its submission to the League, he is deemed to agree with the Official's recitation of facts contained therein.

b. General Conduct of Players

Not all conduct which is unacceptable can be specified in writing in advance, nor controlled by the Officials. Conduct related to the game, which is unacceptable to the League, even if occurring prior to, or following the game itself, and whether on or off the ice, may generate a League instituted sanction. This will generally be a suspension or expulsion. This conduct would include, for example, such things as damaging the rink property, fighting off the ice, or spitting at players in the locker room or in or around the rink. Officiating referees also have discretion to bar a player from a game if in their opinion he might constitute a danger to himself or others (e.g. under the influence). A player's conduct from the time of entering the ice rink parking lot, during the game, in the locker room or the rink, whether before, during or after the game, and until said player leaves the parking lot, is a reflection of the league and subjects the league to obligations pursuant to its agreements with the ice rinks with which it contracts. Therefore any conduct of league members which would be subject to discipline during a game will likewise be subject to discipline if occurring while on rink property or adjacent parking lots. The league cannot control the conduct of guests of players who watch the teams play, but obvious misconduct by supporters of a playing team will be held against the team itself, either through a personal penalty, team penalty, or in extreme cases, forfeiture and /or termination of the game. This may be enforced by the officials refereeing the game, or by any league executive officer then at the rink.

i. Damage to Property

If there is any damage to any league or rink property by members of a team whose identity cannot be ascertained, the entire team will be responsible for payment of such damages. The entire team, in the discretion of the president, may be suspended from further play until such damages have been paid, upon such timetable as set forth by the league president.



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j. Determination of Discipline to Be Assessed

Disciplinary sanctions may be summarily assessed pursuant to §I. 2 b of the Bylaws. All other disciplinary sanctions, except sanctions pursuant to § I. 2 a, shall be by majority vote of the board, upon such rules as the shall be set forth by the president from time to time, The individual votes of the board members shall not be required to be made public.

k. Coincidental Minor Penalties

When coincidental minor penalties of equal time are called there shall be immediate substitution for the penalized players. The penalized players must stay in the box until the first stoppage of play following the expiration of their penalties.

l. Power Play Goals

When a power play goal is scored the penalized player immediately comes out of the box and the remainder of the penalty time is washed out.

m. Mandatory Ejection

Four penalties or a total of 10 minutes in penalties (e.g., one 10 minute misconduct) and the player is gone for the remainder of the game with no additional game suspension.

n. Mandatory suspensions

All game misconducts result in an additional one game suspension. A second game misconduct in the same season will result in a minimum three game suspension. A third game misconduct in the same season will terminate a player's season without refund. Gross misconduct will be called as a match penalty, with the penalty subject to Board review.

o. Miscellaneous Rules

1. Tie Breaker - The League will use the following system to determine final standings.
 - a) Intra level Record
 - b) Total Number of Wins
 - c) Head to Head Record
 - d) Plus Minus in Head to Head games.
 - e) Overall Plus Minus
 - f) Coin Toss

p. Other Matters

1. Tournaments - The League may from time to time sanction tournaments at the discretion of the Board.
2. Fund Raising Activities - All fund raising activities by any team or league member shall be prohibited unless prior approval by the Board is granted. Fund raising for the benefit of and with the approval of the Board of the Atlanta Amateur Hockey League Foundation, Inc. is excepted from this prohibition. Obtaining sponsorship of an individual or organization for to defray the cost of a team's equipment shall also be exempt, subject to regulation by the Board.

K. INTERPRETATION OF BYLAWS

1. Conflicts in Rules

If there is any conflict between provisions of the Bylaws as amended and/or any other published League Rule documents, the Board shall determine the priority or interpretation that is to be followed.



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2. Other rules, regulations, and procedures

Other rules, regulations, and procedures are enacted by the Board on an ongoing basis. Not all such changes are incorporated into these Bylaws. All such changes are recorded in the minutes of the Board meetings, as they occur, which shall take precedence over the Bylaws.