

FAHL Disciplinary Responsibilities

On-Ice Officials

Powers

- Issue in game penalties to players causing infractions in accordance with USA Hockey rules.
- Issue 10-minute misconducts, game misconducts, or match penalties in accordance with USA Hockey rules.
- Issue 10-minute misconducts and game misconducts in accordance with FAHL penalty progression and checking rules.

Limitations

- May not change a call after the game.
- May not determine the length of a suspension.

Player Safety Team

Powers

- Review plays for safety issues as requested by players in the league.
- Review safety-related major penalties, 10-minute misconducts, and game misconducts.
- May issue supplemental discipline if determined that a player's safety was jeopardized.
- Follow penalty progression rules when issuing supplemental discipline.
- Provide recommendations to Disciplinary Team to suspend a player for longer than the Penalty Progression rules permit.
- Create incident reports to communicate the outcome of the reviews.

Limitations

- May not overturn a call on the ice.
- May not issue supplemental discipline unless the action jeopardized a player's safety.
- May not issue supplemental discipline beyond what the Penalty Progression rules permit.

Disciplinary Team

Powers

- Review non-safety related major penalties, 10-minute misconducts, and game misconducts.
- Receive recommendations for and issue additional supplemental discipline beyond penalty progression rules.
- Enforce penalty progression rules.
- Meet with players/officials for feedback, mediation, and disciplinary issues.
- Issue suspensions to players lasting up to two full seasons.
- Provide recommendations to Board to suspend a player for longer than two seasons.
- Provide recommendations to Board to remove board member.
- May suspend or remove officials for incompetence or policy violations.
- Create incident reports to communicate the outcome of the in-game incidents.

Limitations

- May overturn a game misconduct or match penalty, but must have very good reason to do so.
- May not suspend a player for more than two seasons.

Board

Powers

- Receive recommendations and issue player suspensions lasting more than two seasons.
- Request Disciplinary Team review any member of the league for disciplinary concerns.
- Vote on disciplinary removal of Board members.

Limitations

- May not overturn a call on the ice.
- Will not get involved in disciplinary issues that are within the scope of the Referees, Player Safety Team, or Disciplinary Team.