

## **RESTON RAIDERS HOCKEY CLUB**

### **STANDARDS OF CONDUCT**

What follows are the rules and guidelines prescribed for the players and teams of the Reston Raiders Hockey Club.

These rules and guidelines are distributed to create understanding and expectations as to the operation of the Standards of Conduct Committee. The standards set forth here are not goals but rather establish levels of unacceptable conduct that will require the involvement of the Standards of Conduct Committee.

- I. All Team Managers (House, Select and Travel) must report any one or more of the following to the Chairman, Standards of Conduct, within 72 hours of occurrence:
  1. Any incident involving any Reston Raider player in the destruction of property or the possession of weapon, alcohol or illegal drugs.
  2. Any incident involving any Reston Raider player in the making of a threat of any kind of bodily harm to any other player, coach, spectator or game official.
  3. Any conduct for which a penalty is assessed to a player or coach under Rule 601(f)(2) or (i)(1) of the USA Hockey rules
  4. Any game misconduct or match penalty assessed against any Reston Raider player or coach.
  5. Any game in which a Reston Raider team (House, Select or Travel) is assessed 15 or more penalties.

Reports may be made by telephone or electronic mail.

- II. For purposes of these rules a season begins on August 1 and ends on the following March 31 and includes all league, non-league and tournament games.
- III. Any player who is assessed a second game misconduct and/or match penalty in a season must meet with the Chairman, Standards of Conduct, within seven (7) days of the day on which the second game misconduct and/or match penalty was assessed. This rule applies whether the game misconduct and/or match penalties were assessed in league, non-league or tournament games.
- IV. All players who are assessed a third game misconduct and/or match penalty in a season must meet with the Standards of Conduct Committee prior to playing in any subsequent game. This rule applies whether the game misconduct and/or match penalties were assessed in league, non-league or tournament games. The purpose of the meeting will be to determine what supplementary discipline will be imposed by

Standards of Conduct Committee pursuant to Rule 410 of the USA Hockey rules in addition to the penalties imposed by operation of USA Hockey rules.

- V. Any player who is involved in any incident involving a threat to any other player, any coach, spectator or game official, is involved in any incident involving the destruction of property or is involved in any incident involving the possession of a weapon, alcohol or illegal drugs must meet with either the Chairman, Standards of Conduct or the Standards of Conduct Committee within seven (7) days of the day of the threat or incident.
- VI. The Head Coach of any team which is assessed fifteen (15) or more penalties in a single game (league, non-league or tournament) must meet with the Chairman, Standards of Conduct, within seven (7) days of the day of the game in which the penalties were assessed.
- VII. The Head Coach of any team which is assessed fifteen (15) or more penalties in a single game (league, non-league or tournament) for a second, or subsequent, time in a season must meet with the Standards of Conduct Committee, within seven (7) days of the day of the second or subsequent game in which the penalties were assessed.
- VIII. Any player who is assessed three (3) or more penalties in any game during which the player's team is assessed a total of fifteen (15) or more penalties shall be suspended for the team's next already scheduled game (league, non-league or tournament) as defined in USA Hockey Rule 404(c). All tournament games (including semi-final and final games) will be considered to be already scheduled for purposes of this rule. In the event that the application of this rule requires the suspension of more than three (3) players, the suspension of the fourth and subsequent players may (at the option of the Head Coach) be deferred to the next subsequent already scheduled game. The order in which the suspensions are to be served if one or more is deferred must be alphabetical. For example, if five (5) players took three or more penalties in a game all five (5) may serve the suspensions in the next already scheduled game or, at the Head Coach's discretion, the suspensions of Players A, B and C may be served in the next already scheduled game while the suspensions of Players G and H can be deferred for one game. However, in determining the order in which the suspensions will be served, all penalties mandated by USA Hockey rules must be served prior to any suspension required by this rule. For example, if one of the three or more penalties assessed to Player H was a game misconduct, Player H must serve his USA Hockey in the next already scheduled game or games. USA Hockey penalties cannot be deferred under this rule. Player H would have to serve an additional suspension resulting from the application of this rule upon completion of the USA Hockey suspension.
- IX. The Head Coach of any team which has been assessed, on average, 15 or more PIM in league games at any point in time after one-quarter of the league schedule has been played will be required to meet with the Chairman, Standards of Conduct or the Standards of Conduct Committee. This meeting required by this rule may be waived

by the Chairman, Standards of Conduct, if a team that has incurred in excess of 15 PIM per game is not among the highest one-third of the teams in PIM in the age-division of the league in which the team plays.

- X. Any player or coach assessed a penalty under Rule 601(f)(2) or (i)(1) of the USA Hockey rules must meet with the Chairman, Standards of Conduct or the Standards of Conduct Committee within seven (7) days of the day on which the penalty was assessed.