

# BRAMPTON MINOR LACROSSE ASSOCIATION SUSPENSIONS AND HEARINGS POLICY 2023

“Organization or Association” refers to: Brampton Minor Lacrosse Association

## ARTICLE I                      GENERAL

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- 1.1                      The Association will abide by all rules, penalties and fines of the OLA, OMFL and OWFLA for Representative and Field Lacrosse games and in the absence of specific rules to the contrary for all recreational level Houseleague games.
- 1.2                      Any penalties, activities or expressions of racial/ sexual or cultural bias by members of the Association which violates the OLA Policy on Harassment, Race and Discrimination shall be brought immediately to the attention of the Management Committee. Imposition of a suspension, or other action as deemed appropriate, shall follow a hearing of the Management Committee. The decision of the Management Committee is subject to appeal to the Executive. The appeal shall be heard at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Executive.
- 1.3                      Coaching staff must report immediately all suspensions and fines incurred during OLA, OMFL or OWFLA sanctioned games to the Box Representative or Field Coordinator, as appropriate.
- 1.3.1                      Items referred to the Representative or Field Lacrosse Hearings Committees for review shall be heard within 6 days of the referral. The decision of the Committee is final and not subject to appeal.
- 1.4                      During recreational Houseleague play the Association will abide by all rules and penalties of the OLA with the exception of the following;
- 1.4.1                      The following infractions shall be subject to suspension from the remainder of the game the infraction occurred in plus the following game: • Any major penalty, including fighting, spearing, butt-ending • 5 minor penalties in a single game • misconduct penalties
- 1.4.2                      For recreational Houseleague play all suspensions, gross misconduct penalties shall be immediately reported to the Houseleague Coordinator.
- 1.4.3                      Appeals of the Suspension must be submitted in writing to the Houseleague Coordinator. The Houseleague Hearings Committee shall hear the appeal within 6 days of the appeal being filed. The decision of the Committee is final and not subject to appeal.

- 1.4.4 Any Gross Misconduct penalties, or second offenses of the above noted infractions, which result in suspension, shall be referred immediately to the Houseleague.
- 1.4.5 Coordinator to bring before the Houseleague Hearings Committee or Board of Directors for review. The review will be conducted within 6 days of the notice. Imposition of an appropriate suspension shall follow a hearing of the Committee. The decision of the Committee/board of directors is final and not subject to appeal.
- 1.4.6 Fines shall not be imposed as a result of activities associated with the recreational Houseleague, though awards based on actual damages assessed may be imposed.
- 1.5 All of the above is subject to amendments based on the governing body's decision or their policies (OLA, OMFL or OWFLA).