



CALGARY BUFFALO HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

DRUG AND ALCOHOL POLICY



The Calgary Buffalo Hockey Association (CBHA) supports the idea that for the good of the “individual” and the “game”, CBHA members have a responsibility to protect each other. To this end, elimination of the use of drugs, alcohol and tobacco products is critical and mandatory.

DRUGS, ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO PRODUCTS

The use of illegal drugs, alcohol and controlled substances, including all tobacco products, chewing tobacco, electronic cigarettes and non-prescribed pharmaceuticals, including ammonia-based “smelling salts” is prohibited at all CBHA games, practices and team sanctioned events. CBHA Players who are proven to be engaging in the described activities will face the following:

- First penalty includes up to a two-game suspension. During the suspension period, the player’s attendance to team activities including games, practices, team building and dryland will be decided by the CBHA Discipline Committee based on circumstances of the violation. The player and guardian may be required to arrange an assessment with an accredited addictions counsellor.
- Second penalty includes a minimum of 3 games and up to an 8-game suspension. During the suspension period, the player’s attendance to team activities including games, practices, team building and dryland will be decided by the CBHA Discipline Committee based on circumstances of the violation. The player and guardian **MUST** arrange an assessment with an accredited addictions counsellor (e.g., AHS Youth Addiction Services) within 3 business days of the infraction. The CBHA Discipline Chair is the point of contact to confirm the provider qualifies and to receive proof of attendance. Confirmation of attendance is mandatory before the player may return to competitive play.
- Third infraction of the player conduct policy will be an immediate indefinite suspension to be reviewed by the Discipline Committee and the President of the CBHA to render an appropriate course of action.

All decisions regarding discipline shall be at the discretion of the Discipline Committee whose decision will be final.