

MJMH Policy #103: Appeals Updated: October, 2025

1. PURPOSE

This policy outlines the structure, powers, and procedures of the Moose Jaw Minor Hockey Association (MJMHA) Appeals Committee. It establishes a formal, transparent, and fair process for members to appeal decisions made by the MJMHA Discipline Committee, ensuring all disputes are handled consistently and in compliance with the regulations of Hockey Saskatchewan.

2. APPEALS COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

- 2.1. The Appeals Committee shall be a standing committee of the MJMHA Board of Directors.
- 2.2. The Committee will consist of members of the Board of Directors who are not presently members of the Discipline Committee. This ensures impartiality in the appeals process.
- 2.3. Any Board member with a direct or indirect involvement in the incident being appealed must declare a conflict of interest and will be recused from the Committee for that specific case. The MJMHA President will preside over the determination of any conflict of interest.

3. APPEAL PROCESS

- 3.1. All appeals of decisions made by the MJMHA Discipline Committee must first be submitted to the MJMHA Board of Directors before any appeal is made to Hockey Saskatchewan. Anyone who bypasses this procedure may face an indefinite suspension until the next meeting of the MJMHA Board of Directors.
- 3.2. The appeal must be submitted in writing by registered mail or email. It must outline all particulars pertaining to the case and be delivered to the MJMHA office within seven (7) days of being notified of the Discipline Committee's decision.
- 3.3. All appeals must be accompanied by a \$500.00 fee. This fee will be refunded to the appellant if the appeal is successful and the original decision is overturned.
- 3.4. The Appeals Committee will not accept or consider appeals related to a referee's discretionary on-ice decision.

4. APPEAL HEARING

- 4.1. The affected player or member will be given the opportunity to be present at the appeal hearing.
- 4.2. The affected individual will be permitted to ask questions within reason during the hearing.
- 4.3. The appellant may be represented by a lawyer or an agent if they so choose.
- 4.4. Board members who participated in the original decisions being appealed shall be present at the hearing to provide information but shall not be a part of the appeal decision.

5. POWERS OF THE APPEALS COMMITTEE

- 5.1. The Appeals Committee has the authority to hear and rule on appeals from decisions of the MJMHA Discipline Committee.
- 5.2. The Appeals Committee may re-admit any team, player, team official, or referee, or may uphold or modify any decision previously made by the Discipline Committee.
- 5.3. The decision of the MJMHA Board of Directors, based on the Appeals Committee's recommendation, shall be final and binding at the association level for all parties concerned.
- 5.4. The final decision of the Board shall be provided in writing, with a copy given to the person(s) making the appeal and to the MJMHA Board of Directors.

6. APPEALING TO HOCKEY SASKATCHEWAN

Any further appeal of the decision of the MJMHA Board of Directors must be made directly to Hockey Saskatchewan in accordance with their official rules and procedures.

7. POLICY REVIEW

8. This policy shall be reviewed annually or as needed to align with organizational priorities and the regulations of Hockey Saskatchewan. Any amendments must be approved by the MJMHA Board of Directors.

9. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Hockey Saskatchewan Appeals Policy

Hockey Saskatchewan Appeals Guide: Regulations

Hockey Saskatchewan Appeals Guide: Appeal Application Form

Policy Updates	
October, 2025	Reformatted. Updated wording. Clarification of the flow of appeals. Clarifies
	the Appeals Committee as a subcommittee. Addition of supporting documents.