



## HOCKEY CANADA SENIOR MINIMUM SUSPENSION CHART

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The following minimum suspensions are not to be reduced; Members, Association and Leagues may strengthen any of the listed offences at their discretion.

### **NEW** RULE 11 – MALTREATMENT AND INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR

Rule #	Type	Penalty	Minimum Suspension
11.2	Game Misconduct	Disrespectful, Abusive, and Harassing Behavior	1 Game
11.3	Match	Spitting	2 Games
11.4	Gross Misconduct	Discrimination	Indefinite suspension pending a hearing (any suspension must be at least five games).
11.5	Match	Physical Harassment of Officials	Indefinite suspension pending a hearing.

#### Accumulation Sanctions – Player or Team Official

Receives two Game Misconducts under Rule 11.2 in a season.	2 Games
Receives three or more Game Misconducts under Rule 11.2 in a season.	Indefinite
Receives two or more Gross Misconducts under Rule 11.4 in a season.	Indefinite suspension pending a hearing.

### FIGHTING SITUATIONS

Rule #	Penalty	Minimum Suspension
6.7	Any player who engages in his 3rd fight in a season.	1 Game
6.7	Any player who engages in his 4th fight in a season.	2 Games
6.7	Any player who engages in his 5th fight in a season.	3 Games
6.7	Any player who engages in his 6th fight in a season.	Indefinite suspension
6.7	Third man in a fight (Rule 6.7 (h)).	1 Game
6.7	Any player receiving a fighting Major penalty, which is a result of a second or subsequent fight during the same stoppage of play.	1 Game

## REMOVING HELMET INFRACTIONS

Rule #	Penalty	Minimum Suspension
3.6 c	Any player who removes his chinstrap before or during a fight.	1 Game
3.6 c	If a player removes his helmet and releases his chinstrap to fight and the opposing player doesn't, the former will be assessed an additional two-minute Minor penalty.	1 Game
3.6 c	Any player who removes an opponent's helmet or releases an opponent's chinstrap before or during a fight.	1 Game

## LEAVING THE BENCH

Rule #	Penalty	Minimum Suspension
9.4 b	Any player identified as the first to leave the players' bench during a fight. (Rule 9.4 (b)).	2 games
9.4 b&d	Any player identified as the first to leave the penalty bench during a fight. (Rule 9.4 (b&d)).	3 games
9.4	The coach of team whose player is penalized under the above two points.	2 games plus a \$2,000 fine during Hockey Canada regional and national Championships, with Members to set the value of the fine for provincial play.
9.4 (c)	The coach whose player left the player bench but is not identified as the first to leave the players or penalty bench during an on-ice altercation. (Rule 9.4 (c)).	1 game plus a \$1,000 fine during Hockey Canada regional and national championships, with Members to set the value of the fine for provincial play.
9.4 a	Any player identified as being the first to leave the players bench to start a fight.	3 Games
9.4 a	Any player identified as being the first to leave the penalty bench to start a fight.	4 Games

## INSTIGATOR / AGGRESSOR

Rule #	Penalty	Minimum Suspension
6.7 b	First Offense	Game Misconduct
6.7 b	Second Offense	1 Game
6.7 b	Third Offense	3 Games
6.7 b	The coach of team whose player is penalized for a third offence of Instigator or Aggressor.	3 Games

## PRE-GAME/POST – GAME ALTERCATIONS

Rule #	Penalty	Minimum Suspension
6.7	Any player involved in pre-game or post-game altercations where Majors and Game Misconducts are assessed (max 5 per team).	1 Game
6.7	Coach of team whose players are so penalized.	3 Games plus a \$2,000 fine during Hockey Canada regional and national championships, with Members to set the value of the fine for provincial play.
6.7	Any team involved in a pre-game or post-game brawl.	Fine to be determined during Hockey Canada regional and national championships, with Members to set the value of the fine for provincial play.

## OTHER SITUATIONS

Rule #	Penalty	Minimum Suspension
6.1	Butt-ending (when a Match penalty is assessed).	2 Games
6.1	Deliberate Attempt to Injure	2 Games
6.1	Deliberate Injury	Indefinite Suspension
6.1	Grabbing the Facemask (when a Match penalty is assessed).	2 Games
6.1	Hair Pulling (when a Match penalty is assessed).	2 Games
6.1	Head Butting	2 Games
6.1	Spearing (when a Match penalty is assessed).	2 Games
4.7	Gross Misconduct	1 Game
6.4	Checking From Behind when a Major penalty and Game Misconduct is assessed.	1 Game
6.4	Checking From Behind when a Match penalty is assessed.	2 Games
6.5	Checking to the Head when a Major penalty and Game Misconduct is assessed.	1 Game
6.5	Checking to the Head when a Match penalty is assessed.	2 Games