

## 17.0 COACHING HELMET POLICY

### SPECIFIC WORDING OF PROPOSAL:

(As it should appear with New Wording-**bold**, Deletions-~~striketrough~~)

All Registered Member Associations shall enforce the following discipline policy for coaches who fail to wear a helmet ~~while participating in any on-ice USA Hockey activity such as practice, controlling a scrimmage, power skating, skills development or any other similar on-ice activity:~~

~~1st Offense—~~ immediately put on a helmet or leaves the ice

~~2nd Offense—~~ immediate 15 day suspension from all USAH activities

~~3rd Offense—~~ immediate suspension from all USAH activities until CAHA holds a supplemental discipline hearing which could result in the elimination of all future coaching privileges [CAHA will make every effort to hold a hearing within 30 days].

**All ice hockey coaches and instructors of registered USA Hockey Youth 18 & Under and below, high school, girls'/women's 19 & under and below, and disabled programs must properly wear an approved ice hockey helmet during all on-ice sessions, including practices, controlled scrimmages and all Coaching Education Program clinics and/or workshops. Failure to comply will result in a 30 day suspension from all activities involving USA Hockey registered programs.**

Member Associations may impose additional suspensions or fines above and beyond ~~these~~**this** minimum requirements. Member Associations will report any violations of this rule to the CAHA Vice President of Discipline ~~and the Southeastern District Associate Coach in Chief~~ within 72 hours of an incident and will report when the individual has completed their suspension.

### PURPOSE:

Update to the new USA Hockey rule adopted at the June Annual Congress.