

## **RMHA Mandatory Equipment Policy**

All players are required to wear protective equipment as required by Hockey Canada while participating in any Renfrew Minor Hockey Association (RMHA) sanctioned event.

While on the ice, all players and goaltenders must wear properly fitting equipment including, but not limited to, a CSA certified hockey helmet with facial protection and a BNQ certified neck protector. All goalies must also wear a dangler. Hockey gloves must be worn at all times. Mouth guards are recommended but not mandatory. This equipment must be worn at all times and at all levels.

In the event that a player is found to be in violation of this policy, on a first offence, they will be given a warning by a person in authority and removed from the ice for the remainder of the ice time. On a second offence, they will be given an automatic suspension from all hockey activities until a formal hearing is held by RMHA's Risk and Safety Director. On a third or subsequent offence, the player will receive an automatic suspension from all hockey activities until a formal hearing is held by the District's Discipline and Appeals committee.

All coaches, trainers, volunteers or clinic instructors who are on the ice for practices, clinics or any sanctioned event, must wear hockey gloves and a CSA approved hockey helmet.

In the event that an on-ice participant is found to be in violation of this policy, on a first offence, they will be made aware of the equipment policy and asked to wear a helmet. On a second offence, they will be given a verbal or written warning by a person in authority, which shall be reported to RMHA's Risk and Safety Director. On a third offence, they will be given an automatic suspension from all hockey activities until a formal hearing is held by RMHA's Risk and Safety Director. On a fourth or subsequent offence, they will be given an automatic suspension from all hockey activities until a formal hearing is held by the District's Discipline and Appeals committee.