

On-Ice Officials Green Armband Policy

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Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to raise awareness of the age of many NOHA Officials and clearly identify those who are minors for all involved in the game. By requiring Officials under 18 to wear a green armband, the NOHA aims to reduce instances of abuse and harassment toward younger Officials and promote a respectful environment.

General

Abuse and harassment of Officials remain an issue within the NOHA. While the vast majority of Team Officials and Spectators treat Officials with respect, this is not always the case.

In an effort to raise awareness of the age of many of our Officials, as well as to clearly identify these minors for all involved in the game, all Officials under the age of 18 will be required to wear a green armband. It is hoped that this action will cause those who wish to abuse and harass Officials, particularly those minor officials, to refrain from doing so.

Policy

- 1. A green armband must be worn by any On-Ice Official under the age of eighteen (18) years of age.
 - a. The Official may stop wearing the green armband as of their 18th birthday.
- 2. The green armband is to be worn on the left arm, between the elbow and shoulder.
 - a. If in the role of Referee, the green armband is to be worn over the red armband.
- 3. The green armband is to be worn regardless of the age of the players involved in the game and of the competition level of the game.