Officials Green Shirt Policy

To support and encourage participation as an on-ice official, IHACT has developed the Green Shirt Programme. The programme is targeted at new officials to help them feel comfortable on the ice and assist in the transition of becoming a new official.

1. All first-year officials will be required to wear a Green Jersey to identify then as a new official.

2. As a guide, officials will wear the Green Jersey for a full year, however, this can be reduced or extended based on performance and comfortability in the role as determined by the Referee in Chief in consultation with the official.

3. Any abuse of a Green Shirt Official by a player, coach or team official will not be tolerated and a Game Misconduct will be issued by the on-ice referee.

    3.1 A second offence in the same game or any future games in the same membership year will result in the player receiving an automatic 1 game suspension.

    3.2 A third offence in the same game or any future games in the same membership year will require the player to appear before a Tribunal convened by IHACT. The Tribunal will have the sole discretion of issuing a penalty as it sees fit as per the IHACT Tribunal and Suspension Guidelines.

4. Any abuse of a Green Shirt Official by a spectator, who is a registered member of the association, will immediately be referred to the Tribunal to be dealt with under the IHACT Tribunal and Suspension Guidelines.

    4.1 A minimum one (1) match suspension applies for abuse of a Green Shirt Official by a spectator.

5. Any abuse of a Green Shirt Official by a spectator, who is not a registered member of the association, will be asked to leave the venue.