



## **6.50 On-ice Officials Green Armband Policy (H.E.O. Officiating Program)**

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### **General**

Abuse and harassment of officials continues to be an issue for officials working in H.E.O. While the vast majority of coaches, team officials, and spectators treat officials with respect, there continues to be some challenges. As a way to raise awareness about the age of many of our officials as well as clearly identify these minors for all involved in our game, all officials under the age of 18 are 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.

### **Specification**

1. A green armband must be worn by any on-ice official under eighteen (18) years of age.
  - a. The official may only stop wearing the green armband for their games on 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 age of players involved in the game.
4. The green armband is to be worn regardless of the competition level of the game.

This policy will remain in effect until cancelled in writing or superseded by a revised policy.