

*City of
Tonawanda* 
Parks & Recreation Department

INCIDENT SUSPENSION POLICY

1. EJECTION FROM A GAME (in any one season)

(Examples include ejection from disputes over calls, etc. with no physical violence or verbal threats).

- 1st Offense - 1 game
- 2nd Offense - 3 games
- 3rd Offense - 5 games continuing into the following sports program

2. VERBALLY THREATENING AN OFFICIAL, PLAYER OR SPECTATOR.

- 1st Offense - 3 games
- 2nd Offense - 5 games
- 3rd Offense - Indefinite (hearing with a minimum 1 ½ seasons).

3. FIGHTING WITH ANOTHER PLAYER

- 1st Offense - 3 games
- 2nd Offense - 5 games
- 3rd Offense - Indefinite (hearing with a minimum 1 season).

4. PHYSICALLY TOUCHING AN OFFICIAL OR SPECTATOR

- 1st Offense - 1 ½ seasons (hearing if requested)
- 2nd Offense - suspension with a 3-year minimum (hearing if requested).

5. TEAM WARNINGS (team probation)

- 1st Offense - team warning that **any** additional problems will result in elimination from the program and forfeiture of any entry fees, etc.
- 2nd Offense - elimination as a team from the program.

6. CONTINUED ABUSERS

Players appearing on the suspension list for a minimum of five times in five years may be permanently eliminated from the program.

SUSPENSION RULES:

- a. Suspensions include playing, coaching or speculating in the vicinity of a playing field or gymnasium.
- b. Suspensions may carry over from season to season, and sport to sport.
- c. Hearings may include statements by the officials, players involved, Department of Recreation staff as well as spectators.
- d. All decisions on suspensions will be rendered by the Tonawanda Recreation Department.