

USA Hockey Association Benefits

As a board member of a USA Hockey association, it's important to be familiar with all the tools and resources available to help you be the best youth sports program within your community.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

- Research, tools, resources and national events to grow your participation.
- Web-based registration and player management portal.
- Opportunities for grants through The USA Hockey Foundation and corporate partners to assist in growth and development.
- Discounted websites for your association with real-time scoring and statistics on the same platform as USAHockey.com.

RISK MANAGEMENT:

There is an extensive risk management and safety program in place that is dedicated to protect all participants with ongoing research and education. For players, referees, coaches and volunteers, world-class insurance coverage is in place to protect USA Hockey members.

Liability Coverage

Provides broad legal liability protection for USA Hockey and USA Hockey affiliated organizations, their officers, directors, coaches, managers, officials, players, sponsors and volunteers against lawsuits.

- Up to \$2,000,000 per occurrence

Directors & Officers Liability Coverage

USA Hockey members have coverage to protect themselves and their local associations, clubs or teams from the threat of a lawsuit. It is a prudent business decision to protect the organization, its assets and its membership, especially the organization's directors and officers. Lawsuits may arise from allegations of errors, omissions, negligent conduct, discrimination, improper decision-making, negligent retention of unfit personnel, and many more such claims. These lawsuits may threaten affiliates, leagues, local associations, teams and other operations.

- Liability limit of \$1,000,000
- Deductible of \$2,500
- Acts beyond granted authority
- Wrongful termination, rejection or suspension of players or coaches
- Failure to deliver services
- Discrimination (based on age, race, sex, etc.)
- Lack of supervision/improper supervision
- Libel, slander and defamation of character

Crime Coverage

Member organizations have a policy of Crime Insurance to protect themselves against a monetary loss caused by an employee or volunteer who might steal funds (theft, embezzlement, etc.).

- Limit of liability \$50,000



Excess Accident Coverage

This coverage protects USA Hockey participants that are skating in a sanctioned game or practice session. It covers participants while traveling to games and official tournament games.

- This is a secondary insurance which covers excess medical and dental costs after the primary insurance has been paid.
 - There will be pay out up to a maximum of \$50,000.
- Acts as primary coverage for anyone that doesn't have existing primary medical insurance.

Catastrophic Coverage

- Pays up to \$2,000,000 for the injured person

Background Screening:

Coaches, referees, employees and volunteers with regular, routine and frequent access to minor participants, who are 18 years of age or older, are required to consent to be screened and pass a criminal background check conducted by your Affiliate.

SafeSport:

The safety of its participants is of paramount importance to USA Hockey. USA Hockey SafeSport is the organization's program related to off-ice safety.

USA Hockey has long had systems in place to protect its participants from physical abuse, sexual abuse and other types of abuse and misconduct that can be harmful to youth hockey players and other participants. These include without limitation Physical Abuse, Sexual Abuse, Screening, Locker Room Supervision and Hazing Policies, in addition to Codes of Conduct applicable to administrators, coaches, officials, parents, players and spectators.

DEVELOPMENT:

American Development Model (ADM)

This is USA Hockey's long-term athlete development model. The ADM is based on the latest child development sport science and provides associations with the curriculum to help more kids play, love and excel in hockey.

Coaching Education Program

USA Hockey's Coaching Education Program is recognized as one of the top programs amongst youth sports. Having instructors that can provide age-appropriate, fun programming not only develops better players, but also improves player retention.

Officiating Education Program

The Officiating Education Program is an extensive training program to ensure appropriate knowledge of the rules and understanding of USA Hockey's focus on standard of play.

USA Hockey's Mission Statement

USA Hockey provides the foundation for the sport of ice hockey in America; helps young people become leaders, even Olympic heroes; and connects the game at every level while promoting a lifelong love of the sport.

