

Western Valley Minor Hockey Association Risk Management Report

2023-2024

This season there were eight incidents that were directed to the WVMHA Risk Management Chair for resolution and about a dozen others where I was asked to offer suggestions prior to a complaint being submitted with the hope to resolve things at the lowest level. One of the larger incidents was referred to Hockey Nova Scotia. The final conclusions of this investigation have still not been completed at this time. The other incidents were resolved locally, via emails, interviews, meetings and phone calls to conclude the process. One of them resulted in a suspension to the coach.

Again this year, we partnered with the Valley Wildcats for the WVMHA team of the month. The selected team and bench staff selected a game for their team to attend and they received free tickets and popcorn for the game. It was more of a challenge to get teams to put their name forward for this year. We had four teams participate this year and they all reported enjoying the experience.

Following the season, I met with Mike Trinacity from the Wildcats and discussed what we could do moving forward. It sounds like they will be hosting divisional nights for players and if you wear your jersey, you will get in free. Ex WVMHA U9 Night

Looking forward to the 2024-2025 season, a continued focus will be the 2 Deep rule to minimize potential risk for players and bench staff as well as increase the number of bench staff with First Aid qualifications.

Respectfully submitted,

Isaac Schurman, WVMHA Risk Management Chair