



SafeSport and Screening Update

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New Screening Rules

The AHAI Screening Program has been discontinued.

Anyone that was Screened by AHAI in the 2019-20 season will be valid through the 2020-21 season and will not need a new Screening until 2021-22 season.

Anyone that has previously been screened through the AHAI Screening Program prior to March 31, 2019 must now be Screened through the new USA Hockey Screening Program.



New Screening Rules

Effective April 1, 2020, all Screening will be conducted exclusively by the new USA Hockey Screening Program.

This is the National Screening Program that has been mandated by the United States Congress to all National Governing Bodies (NGBs).

The United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC) is the NGB that directly oversees USA Hockey.



New Screening Rules

The Screening is good for 2-years, after which a re-screening must be done every two years.

The cost is \$30.00 per Screening.

The link for the new USAH Screening is on the USA Hockey website on the Member Registration page.

<https://www.usahockey.com/backgroundscreen>

The new USAH Screening can be completed entirely online from the USAH website. It does not include fingerprinting. Members will no longer be required to have fingerprinting done.

You must be registered as a member with USAH for the 2020/21 season to complete the screening.



New Screening Rules

Anyone over the age of 18 must be Screened:
Coaches/trainers/managers/board members/locker room monitors.

This does not include any players that are 18, unless those players are also referees or coaches.

AHAI Affiliate Board Members can register at no charge as a volunteer. Your organization's Registrar need to process all volunteers in your organization's USAH Registry.



New Screening Rules

It can take up to 48 hours for the screening to be processed and added to the member's profile in the USAH Registry.

Members that are not current with screening will be “greyed out” and they cannot be added to a roster.



Anyone can verify an AHAI screening date – theirs, or someone else's

Go to www.ahai.org.

From the list across the top of the page, select PROGRAMS, then select Screening Program from the dropdown list

On the Screening page that appears, click the button on the top right to access the search engine.

Simply type in the last name and hit SEARCH.

If the AHAI Member was not Screened in 2019, to be able to coach in the 2020-21 season, the member will need to be Screened using the new USAH Screening Program on the USAH website: www.usahockey.com



SafeSport Rules

All adults on a youth or HS roster must complete the SafeSport Training Program to be added to a roster.

All players born in 2003 or earlier must complete SafeSport Training to be added to a youth or HS Roster.

If a member has not completed SafeSport training, they will be “greyed out” and cannot be added to the team’s roster.



SafeSport Re-certification Requirements

The SafeSport Training and Refresher Training are each valid for one (1) season beginning on 4/1/20.

As of January 1, 2018, all relevant individuals who need to be SafeSport certified or are seeking recertification will need to complete the new SafeSport training, which features updated content.

Once you have completed the Core SafeSport Course, there will be a Refresher Course available for individuals who have previously completed the core SafeSport course and need to recertify. Users completing the SafeSport refresher course will be certified for an additional season.

SafeSport Rules

All players and coaches must be on the Official USAH Roster if they are participating with the team on or off the ice.

<https://www.usahockey.com/safesportprogram>

<https://www.usahockey.com/trainingfaqs>



SafeSport Billeting Requirements

Signed Agreement that complies with the terms and conditions of the Billet Policy, the USCSS Code and the USA Hockey SafeSport Handbook.

Power of attorney and/or guardianship (as necessary by Illinois state law) to the billet family adults to allow for them to make emergency medical and schooling decisions.



SafeSport Billeting Requirements

Each Member Program or team shall have a billet coordinator who shall be responsible for overseeing compliance with the Billeting Policy, the USCSS Code and all USA Hockey SafeSport Policies.

Link to the USAH SafeSport Handbook-

https://cdn2.sportngin.com/attachments/document/3e1e-2145880/2020_SafeSportProgramHandbook_Final.pdf#_ga=2.158684666.1952549750.1591627609-1640500756.1563894100



SafeSport Billeting Requirements

Owners, coaches, team/program management and staff are not allowed to host or billet players.

Minors must be placed with a billet family and may not reside in an apartment or home solely with other players.

It is strongly recommended that all billet families be two-parent homes. Single parent billet families may be acceptable, but additional reasonable steps must be taken to regularly monitor the billeting arrangement and its compliance with the USA Hockey SafeSport Policies.



SafeSport Billeting Requirements

All adults living in the household of the billet family must be registered with USA Hockey, screened in accordance with the USA Hockey Screening Policy, and must complete the SafeSport Training.

Proof that these requirements have been met must be received by the team's billet coordinator prior to the player moving in with the family.



Officer and Board Member Credential Requirements

- ✓ Register as a Volunteer with USA Hockey (Free) and be added to the organization's USA Hockey Registry Portal by their Registrar
- ✓ Current SafeSport
- ✓ NCSI Screening



Safe Sport Process

- ✓ SafeSport report is filed by Claimant
- ✓ Investigation is conducted
- ✓ Findings are reviewed
- ✓ Resolution
- ✓ Results of investigation are discussed with Claimant

Link to the US Center for SafeSport's Investigation Process:

https://cdn3.sportngin.com/attachments/document/7e7d-2027034/USCSS_one-pager_on_Process.pdf#_ga=2.38130531.1592812190.1593127313-168116410.1590679496



Questions & Answers





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