

WHOA COVID-19 Directive of August 20, 2021

The Wisconsin Hockey Officials Association (WHOA) recognizes the seriousness of the COVID-19 pandemic and the impact on ice hockey participants and spectators. The WHOA requires all USA Hockey/WAHA/WHOA officials to fully comply with all state and local COVID-19 orders and requirements.

The enforcement of any state or local orders or requirements is the responsibility of the government agency issuing the order or requirement or the facility management (i.e. ice rink or classroom). Enforcement of any state or local orders or requirements are NOT the responsibility of any on-ice game official.

On-Ice game officials shall not be required to enforce any COVID-19 mask mandate for any player, coach, off-ice official or spectator. Complaints of COVID-19 mask non-compliance directed to WHOA officials shall be referred to the government agency issuing the order or requirement or the facility management.

On-ice game officials may report observed COVID-19 mask violations through the Incident Reporting System.

This Directive was adopted unanimously by the WHOA Board of Directors on August 20, 2021.