

DWGHHA TOURNAMENT WITHDRAWAL POLICY

Withdrawal/Removal Fees

Teams withdrawing from the tournament are subject to the following administration fees, which will be deducted from the registration fee. The remaining balance will be refunded within 30 days of receiving the written withdrawal notice.

- **More than 60 days before the tournament start date:** \$300 fee
- **29-60 days before the tournament start date:** 50% of the registration fee
- **28 days or fewer before the tournament start date:** Fines as per OWHA rules

Division or Level Changes

Teams must notify the tournament of any changes in their division or level at least 60 days prior to the tournament start date. Failure to do so will result in the team's removal from the tournament.

OWHA Withdrawal Rules

According to the OWHA handbook, the following fines apply for withdrawals:

1. **Notice Period:** Written notice of withdrawal must be received by the Tournament Host at least four weeks prior to the tournament.
 - **Penalty:** \$200 fine payable to the OWHA within 30 days
2. **Additional Fines:**
 - **7-10 days before the tournament:** \$100 fine
 - **2-6 days before the tournament:** \$150 fine
 - **0-1 day before the tournament:** \$200 fine
 - **No show:** \$300 fine

These fines are split 60% to the OWHA and 40% to the tournament host, in addition to the initial \$200 fine.

3. **Appeals:** Teams can appeal these penalties on the grounds of unavoidable accidents or unforeseen circumstances as per the OWHA Appeal Procedures.
4. **Entry Fee Retention:** The Tournament Host may retain the entry fee for any team withdrawing four weeks or fewer before the tournament.

Cancellation by Tournament

If a division is cancelled by the tournament, no administration fee will be charged. The full registration fee will be refunded within 30 days of the cancellation announcement.