

USSF Bylaw 701. Hearing Procedures

In all hearing conducted under these bylaws, the parties shall be accorded:

1. Notice of the specific charges or alleged violations in writing and possible consequences if charges are found to be true;
2. Reasonable time between receipt of the notice of charges and the hearing within which to prepare a defense;
3. The right to have the hearing conducted at a time and place so as to make it practicable for the person charged to attend;
4. A hearing before a disinterested and impartial body of factfinders;
5. The right to be assisted in the presentation of one's case at the hearing;
6. The right to call witnesses and present oral and written evidence and argument;
7. The right to confront witnesses, including the right to be provided the identity of witnesses in advance of the hearing;
8. The right to have a record made of the hearing if desired;
9. A written decision, with reasons for the decision, based solely on the evidence of record, issued in a timely fashion;
10. Notice of any substantive and material action of the hearing panel in the course of the proceedings; and
11. Equality concerning communications, and no ex parte communication is permitted between a party and any person involved in making its decision or procedural determination except to provide explanations involving procedures to be followed.