

PLAYING REGULATION 9.1 - HOCKEY (JUNIOR)

1. **SAFETY GUIDELINES:** Each HSSAA Member School shall ensure that the Physical Education Safety Guidelines - Secondary Inter School Module 1999, outlined according to the following Critical Components: EQUIPMENT, CLOTHING / FOOTWEAR, FACILITIES, SPECIAL RULES / INSTRUCTION and SUPERVISION be adhered to at all times. Specific details on the Critical Components will be provided at the Pre-Season Coaches Meeting.
2. **AGES:** The individual's birth certificate indicates that he/she has not reached his/her 15th birthday by January 1st, prior to the school year in which the competition is held.
3. **EVENTS:** Junior Hockey shall be organized as a single or series of Invitational Tournaments, beginning in the month of March, following the conclusion of Varsity Hockey, and concluding no later than the 15th of April. All costs of such events are to be assumed by the participating schools in each Tournament.

All Tournament Convenors must advise the HSSAA Executive Council in writing of their Intention to operate and schedule a tournament event, including proposed dates and Confirmation that rules of eligibility have been circulated in writing to all invited teams With a copy provided to each school's Physical Education Department Head.

4. **ELIGIBILITY:** Junior Hockey may not begin practice or play prior to the end of the Varsity Hockey regular season schedule. Schools without a Varsity Hockey program may seek permission from the Athletic Association to begin Junior Hockey prior to this time. Such permission must be granted by November 15th of the current school year.

A student who represents an H.S.S.A.A. Member School in Junior Hockey competition shall be eligible for no more than two (2) consecutive years from date of entry into Grade 9. Appeals may be made through the recognized appeals process as outlined in ARTICLE XI, SECTION III of the H.S.S.A.A. Constitution.

No student is eligible for Junior Hockey competition whose name has appeared on a game sheet, and has dressed, after December 1st of the current school year, for a team in A, B, C or D Junior Division in any Nationally or Internationally affiliated association.

5. **ENTRIES:** Each H.S.S.A.A. Member School may enter one team.
6. **RULE BOOK:** C.H.A. Rules for the current year shall apply.
7. **QUALIFIED OFFICIALS:**

REFEREES: Junior Hockey shall be officiated by a two-person system. Games must be rescheduled if a sufficient number of officials are not available.

FIRST AID: A qualified First Aid person must be on site for all Junior Hockey games. Games must be rescheduled if a qualified First Aid provider is not present.

8. **STARTING TIME:** As specified by the Convenor of each of the Tournament event(s).
9. **AWARDS:** As specified by the Convenor of each of the Tournament event(s).
10. **GHAC REPRESENTATION:** Not applicable.

11. **GENERAL REGULATIONS:** (A) HOCKEY MANAGEMENT TEAM

- a) Hockey disciplinary and monitoring functions shall be administered by a Hockey Management Team, further referred to as "H.M.T."
- b) The H.M.T. shall consist of the HSSAA Convenor and the In-School Convenor(s). The In-School Convenor shall carry out all normal administrative functions.
- c) The In-School Convenor(s) shall be voluntary in accordance with the desire to schedule and operate a tournament event.
- d) The H.M.T. shall monitor game sheets regularly and identify players who accumulate a significant amount of penalties. The H.M.T. shall take special note of penalties that appear to reflect a hostile attitude or loss of composure. Whenever a player is so identified, the H.M.T. shall inform the coach in writing. If the player's behaviour is not corrected promptly, the H.M.T. shall again inform the coach in writing with copy to the Head of Physical Education and Principal of the school. The responsibility for correction of the player's behaviour rests with the school.
- e) The H.M.T. shall review all suspensions imposed under Playing Regulations. The H.M.T. shall have the authority to extend a suspension beyond the minimum number of games specified in the Playing Regulations, if warranted by the facts of the case. The H.M.T. shall review every case within ten days of the offence. In the case of a match penalty, which bars the player from play until the case is heard, the H.M.T. shall meet as promptly as possible to avoid unwarranted extension of the suspension.
- f) Should specific incidents at arenas not be reported on game sheets, the H.M.T. shall investigate any hockey related matter brought to it that may have been a violation of the H.S.S.A.A. Constitution or Playing Regulations, or a departure from good school citizenship. The H.M.T. may bring its findings to a Board of Reference and/or the Principal(s) concerned

(B) SUPERVISION

Each team using a non-teacher as a coach must have a teacher supervisor in attendance at all games.

(C) RULES REVISIONS

RULE #28: MINOR PENALTIES

- f) Any player incurring a total of six minutes or more in penalties, shall be ejected from the game. A player on the ice at the time of such an infraction/ejection, shall be designated to serve the penalty. If a player is ejected from a game for a six minute penalty violation and that player had been ejected for the six minute penalty violation in one of the last four tournament games in which that player played, a further one game suspension shall be imposed against that player. The responsibility for compliance with this rule lies with the offending player's team and school. Violation of this rule shall result in an additional one game suspension against the player in question.

RULE #30: MAJOR PENALTIES

- a) A Major Penalty, other than fighting, assessed to any player, including a goaltender, shall result in the penalized player being ejected from the game. A further one game suspension shall be imposed against any player so penalized. It shall be necessary to place a designated player from the ice at the time of the infraction/ejection, on the penalty bench immediately. The substitute player shall be allowed to return to the ice after five minutes playing time has elapsed.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) Not applicable.

RULE #31: MISCONDUCT PENALTIES

- a) Any player, including a goaltender, incurring a Misconduct Penalty, shall result in the penalized player being ruled off the ice for the remainder of the game. A substitute for the penalized player shall be permitted immediately. A total of ten minutes shall be charged against the record of the penalized player. When a player is assessed a minor and a misconduct or a major and a misconduct penalty at the same time, the penalized team shall immediately place a designated player from the ice at the time of the infraction/ejection, on the penalty bench to serve the minor or major penalty.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) Not applicable.

RULE #32: GAME MISCONDUCT PENALTIES

- a) Not applicable.
- b) Any player, including a goaltender, incurring a Game Misconduct penalty, shall result in the penalized player being ejected from the game. A total of ten minutes shall be charged against the record of the penalized player. Any player incurring a Game Misconduct Penalty shall be suspended from the next scheduled tournament game. The referee shall report the offence and full details of the violation to the H.M.T.
- c) Not applicable.

RULE #33: GROSS MISCONDUCT PENALTIES

- a) Any player or team official incurring a Gross Misconduct Penalty shall be ejected from the game and shall be suspended from at least the next tournament game. A total of 10 minutes shall be charged against the record of the penalized player. The referee shall report the offence and full details of the violation to the H.M.T.
- c) Not applicable.

RULE #43: GOAL JUDGES

Goal Judges shall not be used for tournament play.

RULE #44: PENALTY TIMEKEEPER

The penalty/game timekeeper shall be provided by the Convenor of each tournament event.

RULE #45: OFFICIAL SCORER

- c) At the conclusion of each game, the official scorer shall:
- Sign the official game sheet.
 - Have the referees sign the game sheet.
 - Provide the Pink copy to the visiting team.
 - Provide the Yellow copy to the home team.
 - Provide the White copy to the Tournament Convenor.
- f) The official scorer shall immediately advise the referee when a player has incurred six minutes or more in penalty violations during the same game.

RULE #46: GAME TIMEKEEPER

The game timekeeper and penalty timekeeper shall be one and same person.

RULE #59: FIGHTING AND ROUGHING

- f) Any player, including a goaltender, incurring a major penalty for fighting, shall be ejected from the game and suspended for the balance of his/her team's tournament games. The Referee shall report the details of the violation to the H.M.T. If a player from a team that has been virtually eliminated from tournament playoff competition starts a fight the other team and/or player may appeal his/her suspension if the official has assessed an instigator penalty to the offending player from the eliminated team. Such an appeal shall be dealt with by the H.M.T. If a player is assessed a second fighting major penalty in the same tournament season, that player will be suspended for the remainder of any scheduled games on behalf of his/her team for the current Tournament season.

RULE #73: PASSES AND OFF-SIDE PASSES

For H.S.S.A.A. Junior play, the Centre Red Line shall not be used in determining an offside pass and thus, the following shall apply:

- (b) The legal number of players must be on the ice for each faceoff (to prevent gaining positional advantage after the drop of the puck).

RULE #82: THROWING STICK

- d) A major penalty shall be assessed to any player who deliberately throws a stick or any part thereof or any object outside the playing area.

RULE #83: TIED GAME

Tie breaking procedures in Junior Hockey tournament play shall be determined by each Tournament Convenor, consistent with standard tournament practices.

RULE #84: TIME OF GAME

The time allowed for Junior Hockey tournament play shall be determined by each Tournament Convenor, subject to ice availability, facility cost etc.