

HOCKEY



School Hockey Regulations

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The Hockey NL School Hockey Program (SHP) Governing Documents have been developed to provide guidance and assistance to Program Executive, School and Team Management, and Hockey NL for the successful operation of the Program. Interested parties must understand that it is impossible to cover every aspect of School Hockey within this document. Therefore, readers should be aware that the Respective Council/School Hockey Commission, supported by the Executive Director of Hockey NL, will be responsible for dealing with unusual occurrences that are not covered in this manual in a fair and dutiful manner that upholds the principles and objectives of the Program. All those involved with the Program should remember that everyone involved is working for the benefit of those who play the game, representing their School, and to enjoy playing the game we all love.

REGULATIONS

The Regulations are listed below and will outline the governance of School Hockey in accordance with Hockey Canada and Hockey NL unless otherwise stated within these regulations. Regulations **MUST** be followed by all persons involved in the administration, management, and operation of the SHP, and its teams. The Regulations may only be amended with the approval of Respective Council/School Hockey Commission and ratified by the Board of Directors of Hockey NL.

1. SCHOOL HOCKEY SANCTIONING REQUIREMENTS

The REGISTRATION PROCEDURE is as follows:

100. Registration will be done by every School Hockey Team on the Hockey Canada Registry (HCR) and will list all players and coaching staff members.
101. Each team is permitted to register up to **thirty (30)** players for the season. Notwithstanding this, each team may not dress and play more than **twenty (20)** players **eighteen (18)** skaters and **two (2)** goaltenders.
102. Each team is required to pay a **(\$400)** team fee to go towards the branch administration of the team. In addition, each team will be invoiced for any Players, coaching staff or teacher sponsors who are not registered with a minor hockey association or junior team (\$90.00 per player/\$70.00 per staff). **PLEASE NOTE THE DEADLINE FOR REGISTERING TEAMS IS no later than 4:00 pm NST on the last business day on or before January 10.**
103. School hockey teams must be registered before participating in any games and team rosters must be approved in the HCR. **PLEASE NOTE THE DEADLINE FOR REGISTERING PLAYERS IS the last business day on or before February 10th at 4:00 pm NST.**
104. For the purpose of registration, each team must meet Hockey NL qualification requirements, please [CLICK HERE](#) to view.
105. For the purpose of registration, a player may be registered to play with one school team only

2. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES/REGULATIONS

201. SUPERVISION

- (a) School administrators will ensure that all teacher-sponsors, coaches and student athletes are aware of their respective obligations under the Student Supervision, Volunteers in Schools and the Student Travel policies.
- (b) All Hockey NL activities are subject to the Bylaws, Regulations, and Policies of Hockey Canada and Hockey NL.

202. SCHOOL ATHLETIC GUIDELINES

- (a) All schools will establish Athletic Guidelines regarding eligibility for student participation on athletic teams, in accordance with NL Schools policy and corresponding regulations.
- (b) Hockey NL Rules and Regulations

203. HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS

- (a) A tryout and selection process must be in place for team selection. Schools will establish and follow the tryout and selection process for all athletic teams (e.g., number of tryouts, impartial selection process, number of players selected), as per their school's Athletic Guidelines.
- (b) Once a team has been selected, successful team members are informed in a way that respects the sensitivities of students not making the team.
- (c) Students are expected to follow all NL Schools athletic policies, school athletic guidelines for their team, and those of Hockey NL.
- (d) All players must wear the STOP Patch on the back of their jersey properly attached in the appropriate location, above the number and below the name bar.
- (e) All players must wear BNQ certified neck guard at all times, including practices.
- (f) For Risk Management reasons, any member of a coaching staff not wearing a C.S.A. certified hockey helmet with chin strap securely fastened during on ice activities will receive a one game suspension.
- (g) All on bench officials (except teacher-sponsors) must be fully compliant with Hockey NL Screening and registration processes prior to registration. Coaching

Certification requirements are as outlined by Hockey NL. Individuals shall only be eligible to coach who does meet the approved coaching certifications and are in "Good Standing" with Hockey NL and NL Schools.

- (h) All On Ice Officials (Referees and Linesmen) must be registered for the current hockey season with the Hockey NL Officials Program and are responsible to the Hockey NL Branch Referee in Chief (RIC). All officials must be in "Good Standing" with Hockey NL. Referees must be a Level Three Official or better and Linesmen a Level Two or better for Open High School Hockey. Any exceptions to this shall be approved by the RIC or their designate. All assignments of On Ice Officials are subject to approval by the RIC or their designate.
- (i) All exhibition games, tournaments, and travel must be compliant with the Hockey NL Sanction Guidelines. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to view the Sanctioning Guidelines. All Tournament Sanction Requests MUST be submitted at least **two (2) weeks** prior to any tournament/exhibition game. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to submit a Tournament Sanction Request Form. Any game that takes place without prior approval shall result in sanction for the team(s)/coaching staff involved as determined by the SHP and as per Hockey NL regulations. Scheduling of year end high school tournaments must not interfere with any Hockey NL Provincial, Atlantic, or National Championship. Teams may only be permitted to participate in one year end tournament. **Notwithstanding Hockey NL Sanctioning Guidelines, School Hockey Program on ice season ends May 31.**
- (j) Team formation and player pickup MUST follow School Sport NL Protocol and Hockey NL regulations.
- (k) Ice Time under the Ice Time Allocation Policy Discretion 2 is mandatory in all High School Hockey and Discretion 1 is mandatory in all Junior High School Hockey.
- (l) Eligible players are restricted to Level 1, 2, and/or 3 (Grade 10-12) for High School, and Grades 7-9 for Junior High, of the registering school team. All eligible players from one school MUST be registered before any other players from another school/team can be included in a roster.
- (m) **Notwithstanding paragraph (l), teams may make application as per Hockey NL Regulation 100(h), please [CLICK HERE](#) to view.**