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The Minor Hockey Association of Calgary (Hockey Calgary), is an organization committed to develop the sport of amateur hockey within Zone 9 which boundaries have been defined by Hockey Alberta (the City of Calgary and the area of Springbank). Hockey Calgary has the mandate to provide a hockey environment suitable for the enjoyment of the players, coaches, managers, officials, parents and administrators. Our goal is to encourage good sportsmanship and to help players form good character. The player and his/her welfare must be held paramount.

Hockey Calgary from time to time may bring in complementary programs and initiatives to help in the enjoyment of hockey for all participants. These programs such as Just Play and the Respect in Sport program introduced by Hockey Calgary, the Safety Program and Speak Out Program introduced by Hockey Canada, the Play Smart Program introduced by Hockey Alberta, and various other programs implemented by Hockey Calgary, Hockey Alberta and Hockey Canada should be familiar to all players, parents, coaches, managers, and administrators. For information on these programs and other initiatives brought forward by the Hockey Calgary, all participants should contact the Hockey Calgary office for documentation or visit our web site at www.hockeycalgary.com.

If there are questions, or if clarification is required with respect to the following rules and regulations, or if additional information is needed with respect to our programs, please contact the Hockey Calgary office at (403) 245-5773 or visit our website for a complete list of contacts.

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OUR VISION

"The Benchmark of Sports Associations...

Providing Leadership, Life Skills and Development of our members for the enjoyment and success of all."

OUR MISSION

"To provide a safe, fun, fair environment for all by building strong partnerships through shared leadership and support with our member organizations."

OUR CORE VALUES

The core values that we apply daily are:

- RESPECT – We expect our players, parents, coaches, officials, spectators, league organizers and facility operators to be respectful of each other at all times.
- ACCOUNTABLE – We are responsible for our own decisions and actions.
- APPROACHABLE – We listen to the concerns of our member organizations in response to their needs.
- COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIPS – We build mutually beneficial relationships with others.
- COMMUNICATIONS – We get the right message to the right people at the right time in the right way.
- CONSISTENCY – We will be open and consistent in our interpretation and application of the rules and policies.
- FAIR PLAY CODES – We support the principles of fair play and The Fair Play Codes.

We live these values through the daily application of the principles of the "Fair Play Code".

RULES AND REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL STREAMS

Hockey Calgary will comply with the Official Playing Rules of Hockey Canada and Hockey Alberta except as amplified by the Community, Female, Elite, High School Hockey, and Recreational Hockey rules, which follow.

1 Ages for Competition

Age Category	Age
Timbits	5 and 6 year olds
Novice	7 and 8 year olds
Atom	9 and 10 year olds
Pee Wee	11 and 12 year olds
Bantam	13 and 14 year olds
Midget Female	15, 16 and 17 year olds
Community Midget	15, 16 and 17 year olds
Minor Midget AAA	15 year olds
Midget AA	16 and 17 year olds
Midget AAA	15, 16 and 17 year olds
Junior Female	18, 19 and 20 year olds
Junior C	18, 19, 20 and a maximum of four 21 year olds
Junior B	18, 19 and 20 year olds
Recreational League	11 through 20 year olds

Note: Ages as of December 31

The Calgary Junior Hockey League (Junior B) allows a limited number of overage players pursuant to the Hockey Canada rules and as authorized for Junior hockey in Alberta by Hockey Alberta.

2 Residential Qualifications

- (a) Teams based in Zone 9 are restricted to registering only players who meet the residential qualifications as set out below.
- (b) All minor aged players (5 to 17 years old as of December 31 in the current playing year) must be permanent residents of Zone 9, or any Association from outside Zone 9, which, at the sole discretion of the Officers of Hockey Calgary, have been admitted for membership for a limited time. Minor age players registered with Hockey Calgary must play where their parent(s)/court appointed guardian(s) reside, residence of a player is defined as:
 - i) the parent's usual residence when parents live in the same house, or if one parent is deceased, the usual residence of the surviving parent.
 - ii) in cases where both parents do not live in the same residence, the legal residence is the usual residence of the parent having legal custody of the player;

or,

if both parents have legal custody, the usual residence of the parent with whom the player usually lives;

or again,

if the player lives equally with both parents, his/her place of residence shall be determined by Hockey Calgary

iii) when legal custody has been granted to a third person, the usual residence of that person.

NOTE: in the application of the above, the term "legal custody" and/or "legal guardian" refers to the granting of custody as determined by a Court of Law in one of the following circumstances:

- i) the application of the Divorce ACT,
 - ii) in the case of an order enforcing or recognizing a legal separation agreement,
 - iii) loss of parental authority,
 - iv) when it is deemed the child's development is compromised,
 - v) when both parents are deceased,
 - vi) married, or the equivalent of married.
- (c) If the minor aged player does not reside with either parent the player must reside with his/her legal guardian as defined under the Domestic Relations Act or the Child Welfare Act. Such player must have resided within the boundaries of Zone 9 as filed with Hockey Alberta for one full year prior to registration or must apply to Hockey Calgary for special consideration. Proof of guardianship and length of residency must be submitted and approved by Hockey Calgary prior to registration being accepted.
- (d) All Junior aged players (18 years or older as of December 31 in the current playing year) must be permanent residents of Zone 9, or any Association from outside Zone 9, which, at the sole discretion of the Officers of Hockey Calgary, have been admitted for membership for a limited time.
- (e) A minor aged player must play with a team representing the Rec Hockey, Community Hockey, Elite Hockey, Girls Hockey Calgary and High School Hockey in which such player's parent legally resides or is qualified to play.
- (f) A Junior aged player must play with a team representing the Community Hockey or Elite Hockey in which such player legally resides or is qualified to play. A Junior aged player playing in Zone 9 as per Rule Elite 7 is eligible to register with any of the Elite Quadrants.
- (g) A player who resides within Zone 9 shall be deemed for the purpose of registration, to reside in Rec Hockey, Community Hockey or Elite Hockey, Girls Hockey Calgary and High School Hockey which his/her parents or legal guardian have their legal residence (in the case of minor aged players) or have his/her legal residence (in the case of Junior aged players) as September 1, of the current playing year.
- (h) A minor aged player whose parents have joint custody and reside in different Elite Quadrants and / or Rec Hockey, Community Hockey, Girls Hockey Calgary, association Boundaries shall register in the Elite Quadrant or Hockey Association where they registered the previous season if one parent still resides within the boundaries of the previously registered Elite Quadrant and / or Rec Hockey, Community Hockey, Girls Hockey Calgary. If neither parent reside within the boundaries of the previously registered Elite Quadrant and/or Rec Hockey, Community Hockey, Girls Hockey Calgary Hockey Association then the player shall be deemed for the purposes of residency to reside with the parent where he/she first tries-out either for Elite or Rec Hockey, Community Hockey Girls Hockey Calgary (if a player attends try-outs for Elite hockey and does not make a team then he/she shall be deemed to be resident of the Community Hockey Association where his/her parent lives that was used for Elite try-out registration).
- (i) A player may not establish residency for the principal purpose of playing or practicing hockey. Any player (and parent or guardian in the case of a minor age player) who has a permanent residence within Zone 9 for a period less than six months (either before of after the date of registration) may not be eligible to register with Hockey Calgary at the sole discretion of Hockey Calgary.

3 Player Registration

- (a) No player shall participate in any game under the jurisdiction of Hockey Calgary before the player is either registered or in the process of being registered with the Hockey Calgary. This includes league and exhibition games after commencement of the regular league schedule, provided however, that the President of Hockey Calgary may waive this requirement of exhibition games if he/she feels it advisable to do so. Signed team sheets (or legible photocopies thereof) must be carried at all games sanctioned by Hockey Calgary.
- (b) The player's legal address must be indicated on the team sheet. The street address of the player's legal residence must be identified or if the street address differs from the player's mailing address; both the street address and the mailing address must be identified on the team sheet.

4 Coaching Qualifications

- (a) Timbits teams must have at least one member of the registered coaching staff on the bench during games and on the ice during practices who has completed the Intro to Hockey regardless of any other qualifications or certification they may have.
- (b) For the Divisions of Novice, Atom, Pee Wee Div. 2 - 10, Community Bantam, Community Midget and Junior C at least one member of the registered coaching staff with each team must have their Coach Level or higher as defined by Hockey Canada. Either this coach or his/her designate (who also must have their Coach level or higher) must be on the bench during games and on the ice during practices.
- (c) For the Divisions of Pee Wee Div. 1, Bantam AAA, Bantam AA, Midget AA, Minor Midget AAA and Junior B at least one member of the registered coaching staff with each team must have their Development 1 Level or higher as defined by Hockey Canada. Either this coach or his/her designate (who also must have their Development 1 level or higher) must be on the bench during games and on the ice during practices.
- (d) For the Divisions of Pee Wee, Bantam, Midget and Junior at least one member of the registered coaching staff with each team must have their Body Checking certification as defined by Hockey Canada. Either this coach or his/her designate (who also must have their Body Checking certification) must be on the bench during games and on the ice during practices.
- (e) Coaches must have their coaching qualification by December 31 of the playing year. Failure to have a Coach on the bench who has their qualification during games and on the ice during practices may result in the Head Coach being suspended pending a discipline hearing.
- (f) At registration, Rec Hockey, Community Associations, Girls Hockey Calgary, High School Hockey and Elite Quadrants must provide a list containing each team to be registered and the coach that has their Coach Level or higher to be on the bench, or the coach that will have their Coach Level or higher by December 31 of the current year. The appropriate authority from the Community Association, Elite, Female, High School Hockey or Recreational Hockey must sign the list.

Teams in Novice and above will have the team registration revoked unless a coach assigned to the team has their Coach level or higher, or is registered in an accredited program to receive their Coach level or higher prior to December 31st.

Clarification of Terms

Qualified – an individual of the registered coaching staff who has successfully completed the course material is said to be qualified.

Certified – an individual of the registered coaching staff who has successfully completed the course material and having finished any post tasks and/or grading requirements by the instructor upon being updated in the NCCP database is said to be certified.

Hockey Calgary registered coaching staff need to be qualified to be eligible to coach in Zone 9 for Minor Hockey Week, regular season and playoffs.

5 Hockey Canada Safety Program (HCSP)

The goal of the Hockey Canada Safety Program is for all hockey teams to implement effective risk management programs with their team where safety is the first priority both on and off the ice.

- (a) For the current season, in all Divisions of Hockey, one member of the registered team officials must hold a valid Hockey Canada Safety Program Certification by December 31 of the current playing season and must be present at all games and practices.
- (b) Teams failing to have a registered team official with a valid HCSP program certification present at all games and practices will jeopardize their eligibility for Minor Hockey Week, play-offs and/or Provincials and the Head Coach may be suspended pending a discipline hearing.
- (c) The HCSP certification is valid for a period of three hockey seasons. During the third season the holder may recertify their HCSP certification for an additional three hockey seasons by attending a HCSP recertification clinic. HCSP certification is based on successful completion of the one day course. There is no equivalency for this course.

6 'Speak Out' / Respect in Sport Coach Level

- (a) For the current season, in all divisions of hockey, one member of the registered team officials must have completed the Hockey Canada 'Speak Out' Abuse and Harassment Program or the Respect in Sport Coach Certification by December 31 of the current playing season and must be on the bench at all games.
- (b) Teams failing to have a registered team official with 'Speak Out' Abuse and Harassment or Respect in Sport Coach certification on the bench at all games will jeopardize their eligibility for Minor Hockey Week, play-offs and/or Provincials and the Head Coach may be suspended pending a discipline hearing.
- (c) The 'Speak Out' Abuse and Harassment or Respect in Sport Coach certification is valid for life. Certification is based on successful completion of the one day course. There is no equivalency for this course.

7 Respect in Sport Parent Level

- (a) For the current season, in all divisions of hockey, one parent of every registered player must have completed the Hockey Calgary Respect in Sport Parent Program by October 15 of the current playing season.
- (b) Players failing to have a parent certified with the Respect in Sport Parent certification will jeopardize their eligibility to play until certification has been achieved.
- (c) The Head Coach may be suspended pending a discipline hearing should he/she play a player who's parent has not achieved the Hockey Calgary Respect in Sport Parent certification.

The 'Speak Out' Abuse and Harassment or Respect in Sport Coach certification is valid for life. Certification is based on successful completion of the online course. There is no equivalency for this course.

8 Safe Checking Program

Hockey Calgary has adopted a safe checking program for all age categories and Divisions within Zone 9. The program is intended to help eliminate serious injuries by addressing the serious concerns all participants in the game of hockey have with checking from behind. A "Stop" or "Respect" symbol and its placement are designed to help discourage checking from behind by having a reminder on the back of each player's jersey, to Not check the player in the back. Every player registered with Hockey Calgary Must wear the "Stop" or "Respect" logo on the back of his/her jersey. The "Stop" or "Respect" sign is recommended to be 3" in diameter and should be placed above the player's numbers so it is clearly visible.

9 Helmets

- (a) Any coach, trainer, assistant coach, guest coach or volunteer who is on the ice at practice must wear a CSA approved hockey helmet affixed and securely fastened to their head.
 - i) First Offence - Any on-ice participant found to be in violation of this Regulation will be given a warning by a person in authority (Association Coordinator, Association Director, League Chair, Arena Staff and or any Governor of Hockey Calgary). This warning may be verbal or written, and shall be reported to Hockey Calgary. Violator will be removed from the ice and not return until a CSA approved hockey helmet is affixed and securely fastened to their head.
 - ii) Second Offence - An automatic suspension from all hockey activities until a formal hearing is held by the violators own Hockey Associations Special Committee.
 - iii) Third Offence - An automatic suspension from all hockey activities until a formal hearing is held by the Hockey Calgary Special Committee.
- (b) All player's while on the players' and/or penalty bench must wear their approved helmet and facial protector. Any goaltender on the bench, as a minimum, is required to properly wear the same protective head equipment as players.
- (c) Players shall remove their helmet during the playing of the national anthem(s).

10 Throat Protectors

- (a) The use of approved throat protectors is mandatory (the protectors to be defined as "a device which is commercially manufactured for the purpose of protecting a player against cuts or abrasions to the throat or neck") for all minor hockey players registered with Hockey Alberta in the province of Alberta. The throat protector must be worn during all games and practices.
- (b) The wearing of a BNQ approved throat protector is compulsory for players registered in minor and female hockey. When a player fails to wear or properly wear a throat protector at any time on the ice during the game, the team shall receive one warning and any subsequent infractions by the same team will result in a Misconduct. Referees are encouraged to deliver this warning directly to the coach.
- (c) Any officer of Hockey Calgary, Elite Council, Female Council, Rec Hockey, Community Hockey or High School Hockey member or assigned game official is empowered to have a player removed from the playing area of the rink until such time as the offenders throat protector is produced. Any throat protector infractions must be reported to the League Chairperson/Coordinator ASAP who will keep a record of occurrences and apprise the President of same.
- (d) All player's while on the players' and/or penalty bench must wear their BNQ approved throat protector. Any goaltender on the bench, as a minimum, is required to properly wear the same BNQ approved throat protector as players.

11 Mouth Guards

- (a) The use of a colored (preferred) mouth guard is mandatory (excluding Timbits) for all players (including goaltenders) in all categories of hockey operating under the jurisdiction of Hockey Calgary. The term mouth guard is defined as a device, commercially manufactured for the purpose of protecting a player's mouth, teeth and as an aid in reducing the effect of trauma causing concussion. The mouth guard must be worn during all games and practices.
- (b) When a player fails to properly wear a mouth guard at any time on the ice during the game, his team shall receive one warning. Any player on that team who commits a subsequent infraction will receive a Misconduct penalty. Referees are encouraged to deliver this warning directly to the Coach.

- (c) Any officer of Hockey Calgary, Elite Council, Female Council, Rec Hockey, Community Hockey or High School Hockey member or assigned game official is empowered to have a player removed from the playing area of the rink until such time as the offenders mouth guard is produced. Any mouth guard infractions must be reported to the League Chairperson/Coordinator ASAP who will keep a record of occurrences and apprise the President of same.
- (d) A player may be allowed to participate in a Hockey Calgary sanctioned game without the use of a mouth guard provided they have received written permission from their family dentist and/or orthodontist stating that a mouth guard may not be worn. This written permission must be kept on file with the hockey team and should the on ice official ask to see it, the permission form must be presented before the player will be allowed to participate on ice.
- (e) Teams from outside Calgary who are not required to wear mouth guards in their home Association are exempt from wearing them while playing in Tournament games that have been sanctioned by Hockey Calgary.

12 Team Sheets

Hockey Canada team sheets will be completed in all details in the Hockey Canada Registry. Failure to correctly complete all details of the HCR Team Sheet may result in such player and/or teams being ineligible for further play. Copies of all signed Hockey Canada Team Sheets (including players and team officials) must be available at all games sanctioned by Hockey Calgary (photocopies accepted).

13 Composition of Teams

A Minor team may neither sign nor register, at any one time, more than nineteen (19) eligible players with exception to Midget AAA in which case twenty (20) may be signed.

For registration within Hockey Calgary a Junior C team may neither sign nor register, at any one time, more than twenty-one (21) eligible players. A Junior B Team registering in the Calgary Junior Hockey League may neither sign nor register, at any one time, more than twenty-five (25) eligible players.

If the maximum numbers of players are registered in the age categories of Bantam and above, at least two must be goalkeepers. Notwithstanding the above, only seventeen (17) skaters can dress for any given Hockey Canada, Hockey Alberta or Hockey Calgary game with the exception to Midget AAA in which case eighteen (18) skaters may dress.

14 Mandatory National Liability Insurance

Liability insurance is mandatory of all Hockey Alberta players, teams, coaches, managers, referees, administrators and minor officials performing under the umbrella of Hockey Alberta and Hockey Canada. All players, teams, coaches, managers, referees, administrators, and minor officials are members of Hockey Alberta in accordance with Hockey Alberta rules, regulations and bylaws.

15 Ice Rentals

Hockey Calgary will handle the rental of ice from the City of Calgary in conjunction with Community and Elite Association Ice Coordinators. If ice that is scheduled for use is not to be used, the Hockey Calgary office must be advised by 10:00 AM seven business days in advance of the booking.

16 Theft and Vandalism

Any team members who are found responsible for theft of private or Community property, or who damage or deface rinks, City arenas, Community property or private property, on or adjacent to the City or Community property, will face suspension.

17 Damage to City and Community Owned Arenas

Communities and Associations will be held responsible for damages to City or Community owned arenas caused by any team or team members. Further, any player or team, which shall cause damage or deface City or Community owned arenas will be suspended until such time (and may be longer) as the damages are paid in full.

Hockey players, coaches, team officials and spectators are forbidden from using any tobacco products in City and Community arenas.

18 Officials

Hockey Calgary requires that qualified and certified officials referee all levels of hockey.

- (a) All major officials (referees and/or linesmen) will be assigned by the Central Zone Referees Committee (CZRC) in cooperation with Hockey Calgary for all levels of Bantam, Midget and Junior as well as Pee Wee Divisions 1 through 4. For Pee Wee Division 5 and lower as well as Pee Wee Girls, the CZRC will assign a Referee and the Home Association will be responsible for supplying two linesmen. The referee's duties are as described in the Official Rule Book of the Hockey Canada, Section 5, Rule 41, titled "Referee and Linesmen" (Note: in a 2-man system, the referees have equal status). In the categories of Novice and Atom the Home Association will be responsible for supplying all officials (minimum 2 man system) for their exhibition and regular season home games (including the seeding round).
- (b) For Community hockey, each team must supply two off ice officials for all home games. Home Team will be responsible for the Timekeeper and Home Penalty box; the Visiting team will be responsible for the Scorekeeper and Visitor Penalty box. In Bantam AA, Bantam AAA, Minor Midget AAA, Midget AA, Midget AAA and Junior B the Home team must supply all off ice officials described above.
- (c) All Off Ice Officials are responsible for conducting their duties in a manner that displays sportsmanship and shows fair play and respect to all participants. As neutral off ice officials assisting the referee in proper conduct of the game they are significant contributors to the management of the game. Should their behavior warrant disciplinary action they may be relieved of their duties by the Referee or other Hockey Calgary official.
- (d) Should any off ice official be removed from their duties during a game, due to their behavior before, during or after the game has been played, they will be automatically suspended from attendance of the next two games of that team.
- (e) A suspended Off Ice Official is not permitted in the arena or adjoining building to the arena while he/she is under suspension. The use of any or all communication devices cannot be used between any suspended coach, manager, non player team official, spectator or player and the team is prohibited. Nor can any person so suspended utilize an intermediary to conduct such communication, either verbally or via a device. The suspension will include 1-hour prior - until 1 hour after the suspended game.
- (f) Any off ice official who is suspended a second time pursuant to this rule, will in addition to the suspension, not be allowed to continue their duties as an off ice official for the remainder of the season and is subject to a discipline hearing by Hockey Calgary which could result in a suspension from all hockey activities for up to one year.
- (g) Any complaints about referees or other major officials by coaches, managers, players or spectators must be sent to the Community Association President for endorsement and onward delivery to Hockey Calgary for possible action.

19 League Chairpersons/Coordinators

- (a) It will be the duty of the League Chairperson/Coordinator to supervise and direct the conduct of the teams, managers, coaches, players and spectators coming under his/her jurisdiction. He/she has the authority to rule on any team, team official, player or spectator who contravenes or breaks any of the rules and regulations established by Hockey Calgary.

- (b) A League Chairperson/Coordinator or other Hockey Calgary official may deal with anyone associated with a Hockey Calgary registered team who, in his/her opinion, is guilty of conduct unbecoming the game of hockey. He/she may suspend a team, team official, player or spectator for up to three games. The Chairperson/Coordinator, in liaison with the Category Governor, may extend the suspensions to five games. Any suspension that might warrant longer duration will be referred to the Hockey Calgary Special Committee for judgment.
- (c) A League Chairperson/Coordinator or other Hockey Calgary official has the authority during a game or other activity under the auspices of Hockey Calgary to ask any participant or spectator to leave or not to enter a City of Calgary or Community Arena if in his/her sole opinion the participant or spectator is exhibiting behavior deemed to be unbecoming or detrimental to the game of hockey. Any individual asked to leave an arena for any reason may also face further sanctions or suspension from viewing future games or other Hockey Calgary activities.

20 Suspensions

- (a) When a player, team official or spectator has received a penalty or ejection that carries an automatic suspension (as described in the Minimum Suspension Guidelines) the Head Coach or his designate is responsible for informing the League Chairperson/Coordinator of the infraction and to automatically abide by the Minimum Suspension Guidelines. In the event of a suspended player playing in, or a suspended team official participating in a game, the game will be forfeited and the Head Coach will be suspended pending a hearing by Hockey Calgary.

The penalty for a Head Coach that allows a suspended player or team official to participate in any game is up to a three year suspension.

- (b) Any suspensions under the Minimum Suspension Guidelines or levied by a League Chairperson/Coordinator or Hockey Calgary official, will be for a designated number of League, Minor Hockey Week, Playoff, Pre-season or Tournament Games, and will preclude the player and/or team official from participation in league, Minor Hockey Week, Playoff, Pre-Season, Tournament, and exhibition games in any and all age categories or divisions during the period of his/her suspension.

Please note that a player cannot participate in any exhibition game(s) while under suspension and exhibition games do not count as games served for any suspension.

- (c) Players or team officials receiving a game or gross misconduct for any reason must contact their League Chairperson/Coordinator prior to participation in their next League, Minor Hockey Week, Play-off, Tournament or Exhibition game. In almost all cases a one or two game suspension will be assessed which will be applied to the next scheduled game and will follow the criteria set out (b) above. If the League Chairperson/Coordinator or other Hockey Calgary official are not available, the player or team official(s) cannot participate in any League, Minor Hockey Week, Play-off, Tournament or Exhibition games until he/she/they has sat out one League, Minor Hockey Week, Play-off or Tournament game in the case of a Game Misconduct or two games in the case of a Gross Misconduct. The player or team official(s) cannot participate in any Exhibition games until the suspension has been served.
- (d) When a match penalty resulting from assault on an official has been assessed and after the Special Committee of Hockey Calgary has held a hearing and is satisfied that the assault was deliberate, then the suspension levied will be at least one year or more from the date of the offence.
- (e) A suspended coach, manager, non-player team official or spectator, is not permitted in the arena or adjoining building to the arena while he/she is under suspension. The use of any or all communication devices cannot be used between any suspended coach, manager, non player team official, spectator or player and the team is prohibited. Nor can any person so suspended utilize an intermediary to conduct such communication, either verbally or via a device. The suspension will include 1-hour prior - until 1 hour after the suspended game.
- (f) A suspended player shall not be allowed within fifty feet of any player's bench nor allowed in the dressing room 1 hour before and 1 hour after the game. Also, a suspended player may not be allowed within twenty-

five (25) feet of the Referees change room or within twenty-five (25) feet of where the Officials enter or exit the ice surface

- (g) A player or team official that has been suspended will be notified in writing by the Vice President, Operations and/or General Manager (other than automatic Minimum Suspensions Guidelines which are outlined in this manual and must be followed). In the event of a suspended player or team official participating, the game will be forfeited to the non-offending team and the coach shall be suspended indefinitely, until the matter is ruled on by the Special Committee of Hockey Calgary.

21 Overtime

No overtime will be played in seeding round or regular season league games, including the Calgary Junior Hockey League. In the event of a tied seeding or league game, one point will be awarded to each team.

22 Cancellation of Games

If a team does not appear for a regularly scheduled game, the team in attendance will fill out the game sheet, have the Referee sign same, immediately telephone the League Chairperson/Coordinator and explain the situation and mail the game sheet to the League Chairperson/League Coordinator. If a team fails to present itself at the time and place appointed to play in any game, unless such failure is caused by an unavoidable accident or an unforeseen contingency, the game will be awarded to the opposing team. The manager, coach or official and/or players of the team, which is responsible, will be suspended for a minimum of six games and may be suspended for one year or more.

23 Travel Permits

- (a) A travel permit must be obtained to play in any exhibition or tournament game outside Zone 9. (Zone 9 being the city of Calgary and the area defined as the Springbank Minor Hockey Association).
- (b) Before a travel permit is issued by Hockey Calgary, the team requesting a travel permit must apply on line at www.hockeycalgary.com and select the "Travel Permit" link under the "Forms" tab which can be found on the Home page. In submitting the associated web form, the requestor is certifying that they have the authority to request the permit on behalf of the team indicated. The team's obligation and responsibility to play all league games as scheduled, which fall within the dates of travel, must be fulfilled. Failure to play a game as scheduled by Hockey Calgary will result in the Head Coach of the team being suspended pending a hearing before the Hockey Calgary Special Committee.

All Travel Permits will be generated by Hockey Calgary via our web site. The process is as follows:

- 1) Team Official will request the Travel Permit using the Hockey Calgary Web form.
- 2) A Travel Permit will automatically be returned to the person requesting the travel permit.
- 3) The Travel Permit will also be forwarded to the Hockey Calgary Office where it will be forward to Association President and League Coordinator.

Failure to comply with the conditions described on the Travel Permit will result in future permits being denied the team requesting the permit.

Teams under the jurisdiction of the Elite Council may be subject to Blackout Dates when applying for Travel Permits.

24 Exhibition and Tournament Games

- (a) Teams must not play any games against teams not registered with Hockey Alberta or affiliated branches of Hockey Canada. This applies to tournaments not sanctioned by Hockey Alberta or Hockey Canada. Coaches and team management may be subject to suspension by Hockey Calgary for violation of this rule.
- (b) Permission of the League Chairperson/League Coordinator is required for exhibition games including those with other teams registered with Hockey Calgary. Failure to obtain permission may result in a minimum three game suspension for the coach and manager.
- (c) A team given permission to play exhibition or tournament games must use only those players registered with their team, except that eligible affiliate players may be added in accordance with Community 10-13, High School Hockey 14, Recreational hockey 3 and Elite16.
- (d) Copies of the game sheet(s) for all exhibition and tournament games played within Zone 9 must be sent to the League Chairperson/ Coordinator within five days of the game or completion of the tournament.
- (e) Copies of the game sheet(s) for all exhibition and tournament games played outside Zone 9 must be sent to the League Chairperson/ Coordinator within five days of the game or return from the tournament. Failure to do so will result in teams from the Association not being granted future permission to travel until the matter is resolved.
- (f) All exhibition games for teams in body checking must be officiated by registered Hockey Canada officials who are qualified for that level of hockey.
- (g) Associations or communities wishing to run tournaments must obtain the necessary permit from the Hockey Calgary office, and all score sheets must be turned in to the appropriate League Chairperson/ Coordinator.
- (h) League games must be played as scheduled and tournament permits will not be issued to communities that reschedule games for tournaments or fail to provide the necessary ice allotment for the scheduling of league games. Window requests are to be for out of town tournaments or tournaments within Zone 9 deemed by Hockey Calgary as “Special Events” only, with a maximum of one request per team for each of the Seeding Round and the Regular Season.
- (i) The deadline for tournament ice booked through Hockey Calgary is November 1st for December tournaments and January 10th for March tournaments.

25 Hosting Tournaments

- (a) An Association planning to host a tournament in the current season shall submit a “Hockey Tournament Application” to Hockey Calgary.
- (b) The application must be approved by Hockey Calgary and a tournament sanction number issued.
- (c) The tournament shall be played under Hockey Calgary rules, and the tournament committee must agree to follow the minimum suspensions as set out by Hockey Calgary. Failure for the tournament to follow Hockey Calgary rules or minimum suspensions may result in all tournament permits being revoked for the Host Hockey Association.
- (d) All games involving teams in body checking must be officiated by referees who have been certified in the current year and are qualified for that level of hockey.
- (e) Within ten days after the completion of the tournament all official game reports, a copy of the tournament draw, and the Tournament Suspension Form must be submitted to the League Chairperson/Coordinator.

26 Minor Hockey Week

During Minor Hockey Week the Officers shall appoint a Chairman who will have special powers to deal with protests, complaints or additional games to be played.

27 Appeals

Decisions made by Hockey Calgary League Chairpersons/Coordinators, Governors, Elite Council, Female Council, High School Hockey Council, Rec Hockey Council or other Hockey Calgary officials can be appealed (with the exception of Minimum Suspensions) to the Hockey Calgary Special Committee after all other avenues of appeal have been taken. The procedure below must be followed in order for an appeal to be heard:

- (a) Appeals shall be in writing and shall set forth the decision appealed from and contain a concise statement in numbered paragraphs of the grounds of appeal and the facts in support of such appeal.
- (b) A letter must accompany an Appeal from the President or his/her designate of the appellant's home Hockey Association stating that they are aware of the appeal.
- (c) Appeals shall be filed in the office of Hockey Calgary within Seven days of receipt of the decision in the matter being appealed.
- (d) Appeals made to the Special Committee of Hockey Calgary shall be accompanied by a cash payment or certified cheque (non-refundable) for the sum of \$150.00 payable to Hockey Calgary.

In Rec, High School, BB Community and Female Hockey decisions made by League Chairperson or other League Official should first be appealed to the Category Governor and then the Vice President of Operations. In Elite Hockey, decisions made by the League Coordinator or other League Official should first be made to the Elite Chairman or his/her designate as set out in the rules for Elite Hockey (Rule Elite 26 Appeals of Suspensions).

28 Dressing Room Supervision

The Head Coach will be responsible to ensure there is at least one and preferably 2 responsible adults in the team dressing room before and after each ice time. They will endeavor to prevent disorderly conduct, bullying and vandalism in any form. These adults may be any team official or adult selected by the Head Coach or team manager. Failure to comply with this supervision may result in the suspension of the Head Coach for a period of at least one game. Any adult found complicit with any undesirable activity will be suspended for a period of at least one year. This applies within all five streams of Hockey Calgary sanctioned hockey with the exception of Junior 'B' and Junior 'C'.

29 Minimum Suspensions

It is the responsibility of each team official to ensure their players sit out their appropriate suspensions. When in doubt as to the relevant suspension, contact your Association President or League Chairperson. The Local Minor Hockey Association's President or Hockey Calgary Age Category Governor and / or League Chairperson, should they require, will contact the Hockey Calgary Vice President, Operations for further clarification.

THESE SUSPENSIONS ARE IN ADDITION TO GAME INCURRED AND ARE NON APPEALABLE. ADDITIONAL SUSPENSIONS MAY BE IMPOSED WHEREVER CONDITIONS AND CIRCUMSTANCES WARRANT.

Match Penalty reports will be forwarded to Hockey Alberta for further review.

RULE #	INFRACTION DESCRIPTION	MINIMUM SUSPENSION
INELIGIBLE PLAYERS		
2.2 (c, g, h)	Coach Playing Ineligible Player Or Player Under Suspension	Indefinite
EQUIPMENT		
3.5 (d)	Goaltender Refusing to Remove Mask for Identification	2 Games
3.6 (c)	Removing Helmet	2 Games
PRE/POST GAME ALTERCATIONS		
4.1 (b)	Pre or Post Game Altercations	Indefinite
MISCONDUCT		
4.5 (c)	Second 10 Minute Misconduct - Same Game	1 Game
GAME EJECTION / GAME MISCONDUCT		
4.6 (c)	Game Misconduct In The Last 10 Minutes of Play	1 Game*
*PROVIDED THE ORIGINAL INFRACTION DOES NOT CALL FOR MULTIPLE GAMES		
GROSS MISCONDUCT		
4.7 (a, b, c)	Gross Misconduct	2 Games
GOALTENDER PENALTIES		
4.11 (f)	Goaltender Drop Kick Puck (Major + Game / Injury Involved)	1 Game
ATTEMPT TO INJURE / DELIBERATE INJURY		
6.1 (a)	Attempt to Injure / Deliberate Injury	Indefinite
6.1 (a)	Use of Blocker	3 Games
6.1 (b)	Head Butting	2 Games
6.1 (c)	Kicking	3 Games
6.1 (d)	Hair pulling, Grab Face Mask / Helmet / Chin Strap (Major + Game)	2 Games
6.1 (d)	Grabbing Face Mask / Helmet / Chin Strap / Hair Pulling (Match + Game)	2 Games
6.1 (e)	Facial Protector as a weapon	3 Games
6.1 (f)	Butt Ending or Spearing	3 Games
6.1 (h)	Attempt to Injury through Slash, High Stick or Cross-Check	3 Games

BOARDING AND BODY CHECKING		
6.2 (a, b)	Boarding / Body Checking / Elbowing / Charging / Tripping (Major + Game)	1 Game
CHARGING		
6.3 (a, b)	Charging (Major + Game)	1 Game
CHECKING FROM BEHIND		
6.4 (a)	Checking from Behind (Minor + Game)	1 Game
6.4 (a)	Checking from Behind (Major + Game)	2 Games
6.4 (b)	Checking from Behind (Match)	4 Games
HEAD CONTACT		
6.5 (b)	Head Contact (Major + Game)	2 Games
6.5 (d)	Head Contact (Major + Game with Injury)	3 Games
6.5 (d)	Head Contact (Match)	4 Games
6.5 (e)	Head Contact (Match)	Indefinite
ELBOWING AND KNEEING		
6.6 (a, b)	Elbowing / Kneeing (Major + Game)	1 Game
FIGHTING AND ROUGHING		
6.7	Fighting – 1st Offence	1 Game
6.7	Fighting – 2nd Offence	3 Games
6.7	Fighting – 3rd Offence	Indefinite
6.7 (b) (1)	Aggressor / Instigator – 1st Offence	1 Game
6.7 (b) (1)	Aggressor / Instigator – 2nd Offence	2 Games
6.7 (b) (1)	Aggressor / Instigator – 3rd Offence	3 Games
6.7 (e) (4)	Fighting with Ring or Tape on Hands	2 Games
6.7 (f) (5)	Failure to go to the Player's Bench or Neutral Area	1 Game
6.7 (g)	Fighting Off The Playing Surface (Major + Game)	2 Games
6.7 (h)	Second Fight - Same Stoppage of Play	2 Games
6.7 (h)	Player(s) 2nd, 3rd, 4th Man into Fight	2 Games
6.7 (i)	Fighting With a Team Official	2 Games
6.7 (k)	Roughing (Major + Game)	1 Game
6.7 (l)	Roughing After Whistle (Major + Game)	1 Game
HOLDING		
7.1 (a, b)	Holding (Major + Game)	1 Game
HOOKING		
7.2 (a, b)	Hooking / Butt End Hooking (Major + Game)	1 Game

INTERFERENCE		
7.3 (e)	Interference (Major + Game)	1 Game
TRIPPING		
7.4 (a, b)	Tripping / Slew Footing (Major + Game)	1 Game
BUTT ENDING		
8.1	Butt Ending (Match + Game)	3 Games
CROSS CHECKING		
8.2 (a, b, c, d)	Cross Checking (Major + Game)	1 Game
8.2 (e)	Cross Checking (Match + Game)	3 Games
HIGH STICKING		
8.3 (a)	High Sticking (Major + Game)	1 Game
8.3 (c)	High Sticking (Match + Game)	3 Games
SLASHING		
8.4 (a, b)	Slashing (Major + Game)	1 Game
8.4 (d)	Slashing (Match + Game)	3 Games
SPEARING		
8.5	Spearing (Match + Game)	3 Games
ABUSE OF OFFICIALS		
9.2 (a, b)	Disputing Call of Official: Verbal Abuse	2 Games
9.2 (b) (1, 2,3)	Obscene, profane, abusive language or gestures to any person or game official	2 Games
9.2 (e)	Inciting	2 Games
9.2 (f)	Discriminatory Slur	Indefinite
9.5 (b, c)	Leaving the Player's Bench or Penalty Bench	3 Games
9.5 (b)	The Coach of the team whose player is penalized under the above two points.	3 Games
9.5 (b)	The Coach whos player left the bench but is not identified as the first to leave the players or penalty bench during an on-ice altercation.	1 Game
9.5 (b)	Any player identified as being the first to leave the players' bench to start a fight.	3 Games
9.5 (b)	The Coach of the team whose player is penalized under the above two points. 1st Offence 2nd Offence 3rd Offence	Game Misconduct 2 Games 3 Games
9.5 (f)	Team Official Who Gets On Ice Without Official Permission After Start Of Game	1 Game
9.6 (a, b, c)	Physical Abuse of an Official	Indefinite

9.7	Spitting on an Official	8 Games
9.7	Spitting on an Opponent	3 Games
THROWING STICK OVER BOARDS		
9.8 (d)	Throwing Stick Over Boards	2 Games
REFUSING TO START PLAY		
10.14 (a)	Refusing to Start Play - Not Returning	Indefinite
10.14 (a)	Refusing to Start Play - Returning And Playing (Coach receives Major + Game)	2 Games
10.14 (e)	Refusing to Leave Bench or Playing Area	Indefinite
10.14 (e)	Leaving the Bench without Clearance from the Referee	2 Games

Suspensions may be increased for repeat offenders or if circumstances dictate.

- 28.1 In all Minor Hockey, any Player or Team Official who is assessed a Minor Penalty and a Game Misconduct or a Major and a Game Misconduct or any other infraction resulting in a Game Misconduct/Gross Misconduct penalty, that occurs in the last ten minutes of regular time or any overtime, or at the conclusion of the game and prior to the Player or Team Official entering his/her dressing room, shall automatically be suspended for a minimum of the next regular League, Playoff, Pre-Season, Tournament, Provincials Game.
- 28.2 Any Player, Team Official found guilty of falsifying a birth certificate, or having been party to, or having any knowledge of such, shall be suspended until dealt with by the Hockey Calgary Officers.
- 28.3 Any Team Official who is party to, or had knowledge of, or adds an unregistered or Ineligible Player's name or un-carded team official or trainer's name to a game sheet for the purpose of competing in a game;
- (i) may be suspended for a period of three years, or as determined by the President from playing or holding office with any team, club, or association.
 - (ii) shall have games defaulted whether said Player(s) played or not.
- 28.4 Any Player who falsifies a birth certificate, registration certificate or forges a signature and plays under an assumed name, or having knowledge that same had been falsified, or playing on other than his/her own birth certificate shall be automatically suspended from playing hockey for a period of not less than one year and not more than three years from the date of suspension.
- 28.5 If a Team Official or Player participates in a game or if his/her name appears on the score sheet while under suspension, the Team Official responsible for an Ineligible Player or official may be subject to immediate discipline and the team may forfeit any games played using an Ineligible Player or official.

RULES GOVERNING COMMUNITY HOCKEY

Ice Allocation Terms and Conditions

Any ice allocated to Member Associations by Hockey Calgary that can't be used must be returned to the Hockey Calgary office. It can't be traded with figure skating, ringette, adult or any other hockey group. Ice returned to Hockey Calgary will be circulated by email to Ice Coordinators and will be available for pick-up on a first come first served basis. Cancellations will be accepted by email and must be received no later than 9:00am at least 12 calendar days prior to the date of the ice. For instance, cancellations on October 20th must be received by 9:00am October 8th. Hockey Calgary will confirm all cancellations by return email – please retain these confirmations in the event of a billing error. If you do not receive a confirmation within 1 business day please resubmit.

1 Community Boundaries

Hockey Calgary will recognize Community boundaries as filed with the Federation of Calgary Communities. The Community Boundaries are available through the Hockey Calgary office and an approximate (unofficial) listing is available on our website at www.hockeycalgary.com.

2 Combined Communities

- (a) Communities wishing to go together to operate a hockey program must request permission to do so in writing, to the Hockey Calgary Executive Committee by April 15th. Communities wishing to make any changes to their existing amalgamation must also do so in writing by April 15th. All such requests granted will be for the current season only and in accordance with regulations set down by the Executive.
- (b) In order to receive approval for a new Amalgamation or changes to an existing Amalgamation the Association requesting the revision/change must have at least 40 players, (3 teams) of players eligible to play in Novice, Atom, Pee Wee and Bantam divisions.
- (c) It is recommended that where new subdivisions are constructed and where presently players residing in these subdivisions do not have an affiliation with a hockey program, Hockey Calgary approach the neighboring Association(s) and request that they accept players from these subdivisions until such time as adequate numbers exist to form their own Association.
- (d) Based upon the number of teams registered in a hockey Association Hockey Calgary will decide the formation and the time line for the establishment of new amalgamations.
- (e) The President shall have the authority to re-amalgamate Associations based upon the number of teams registered in a hockey Association. The affected Association must have clearly defined boundaries registered with Hockey Calgary. Requests for re-amalgamation must be submitted in writing and directed to the attention of the President.

3 Team Registration

- (a) The Coach and the Community Hockey Associations shall be held responsible for seeing that their players are the correct age and reside within the proper boundaries defined for their Association. Players not properly registered will be deemed to be ineligible players until the matter has been resolved.
- (b) Community teams are restricted to registering players who:
 1. Reside within their community boundaries as defined in Rules and Regulations 2.
 2. Have been properly released as defined in Community 9 and Community 10.
- (c) All Community teams in Timbits and Novice will be permitted to sign and dress up to 17 skaters.

- (d) All Community teams in Pee Wee and Atom may designate up to two goaltenders and will be permitted to sign and dress up to 17 skaters. Teams with one designated goaltender can have a maximum roster size of 18 registrants and teams with two designated goaltenders can have a maximum roster size of 19 registrants. Pee Wee or Atom teams not wanting to designate a goaltender will be permitted to sign and dress up to 17 registrants. The designating of a goaltender only applies for games played within Zone 9 for Atom and within the Province of Alberta for Pee Wee. Outside of Zone 9 for Atom or outside of the Province of Alberta for Pee Wee, goaltenders are not designated below the age category of Bantam.
- (e) Within Zone 9 for Atom or within the Province of Alberta for Pee Wee, teams that designate a goaltender can use a designated goaltender affiliation as per Rule Community 12 (d). Pee Wee and Atom teams that do not designate a goaltender can only use players from their own team or affiliate team to play goal. Players who are designated as goaltenders cannot play in a game as a skater as per Hockey Canada Rule F-32. For League play in Zone 9, Hockey Canada Rule F-33 should read "below the age category of Atom" if a Pee Wee or Atom team designates a goaltender.
- (f) All Community teams in Bantam and Midget must designate at least one goaltender and will be permitted to sign and dress up to 17 skaters. Teams may designate a maximum of two goaltenders per team such that the maximum number of players registered on any Community Bantam or Midget team does not exceed 19.
- (g) All Community teams in Junior C must designate at least one goaltender and will be permitted to sign up to 19 skaters (it should be noted that only 17 skaters can dress for any given Hockey Canada, Hockey Alberta or Hockey Calgary Junior C game). Teams may designate a maximum of two goaltenders per team such that the maximum number of players registered on any Community Junior C team does not exceed 21.
- (h) Any team that fails to properly register prior to the team's first scheduled league game shall lose 2 points, (up to a maximum of 6 points) for each game played without properly registering. The points will be deducted from that portion of the schedule following any seeding round.

4 Non-Body Checking

The age categories of Timbits, Novice and Atom will play in non-body checking divisions.

5 Player Acceleration

Underage players must be ranked in the top half of the top team in the higher category into which they are moving. Deviation from this policy for purposes of completing rosters for teams where player numbers are restricted must be approved by Hockey Calgary. Player acceleration is not recommended.

6 Players Per Team

Associations are required to ensure that all teams within an age category have an equal number of players per team (within 1 player). The recommended number of players per team is:

Timbits	16 players	Bantam	15 + 2
Novice	16 players	Midget	15 + 2
Atom	16 players	Junior C	19 + 2
Pee Wee	15 + 2		

7 Player Movement

No Timbits, Novice, Atom, Pee Wee or Bantam player may be released by his/her team after December 10th of the playing season.

8 Player Release

- (a) A Midget or Junior age player may be released by transfer to another team for which he/she is eligible to play up until January 10th. A player so released shall have his/her own Hockey Canada Registry profile (where applicable) forwarded to the Registrar along with the release from his/her previous team.
- (b) No player may be released by his/her team after January 10th.
- (c) A player not having registered with Hockey Calgary prior to January 10th may apply to Hockey Calgary through the President, for special permission to register with a local team providing the team with which he/she wishes to register does not have a full roster. Any player receiving such permission would not be eligible for participation in Provincials due to Hockey Canada restrictions.

9 Release Policy

- (a) Any player requesting a release from his/her Home (resident) Association must first apply to Hockey Calgary for approval. The Hockey Calgary Registrar will inform the applicant of the decision after consultation with all affected Associations. Release applications are available through the Hockey Calgary website.
- (b) Once a player is released by Hockey Calgary and his/her resident Association, in the second year of an age category, an application for release is not required in order to remain in the same Association as the player played in his/her first year of an age category. This will be controlled and administered through the Hockey Calgary office.
- (c) Once a player is released by Hockey Calgary and his/her resident Association, in subsequent years, an application for the next category can be submitted which may receive an automatic release to the next category. This will be controlled and administered through the Hockey Calgary office.
- (d) No player will be allowed to skate or try out in any hockey program until he/she has been properly released by Hockey Calgary as well as received any waivers, which may be required to allow him/her to play in the Association of his/her choice. The normal restrictions apply for signing a player who has signed with another team, either community or Elite, for the current season.

10 Affiliated Teams

- (a) Each team may have affiliated with it only one team or up to 19 named players (with Hockey Calgary's approval) in a lower division or age category from within the Community. Players can only be affiliated to one team. In the cases where a lower division team is split to provide affiliates to not more than two higher division or category teams the players on the lower division or category team must be named (lists must be filed with Hockey Calgary) as to which team they are affiliated with. Exceptions to this rule are for players that play goal and designated goaltenders in the competitive divisions of Pee Wee, Bantam and Midget who want to affiliate to teams in the Recreational League as per Community Rule 11 (g).
- (b) A team having no lower division or category team to affiliate with may affiliate with a team of lower division or category in any adjacent Community providing this Community approves of the affiliation in writing.
- (c) All affiliations must be filed, in writing on an Official Affiliation Form with the Hockey Calgary office and approved prior to the affiliated player being allowed to participate, in any game, with the team to which he/she is affiliated. Affiliations will be accepted and approved by Hockey Calgary up to and including November 30th of the current playing season.

NOTE: all Association affiliations must be approved by Hockey Calgary prior to any player participating as an affiliate.

- (d) All affiliations shall terminate at the end of the current playing season.

Please note that there are no default affiliations for the current seasons. An affiliation list must be filed with Hockey Calgary prior to the first league game in the fall before any player can play as an affiliate or any team can use an affiliate player.

11 Eligibility for use of Affiliated Players

- (a) Affiliated players may be used in place of players registered on a team, subject to the maximum number limitations described below. Affiliated players may be used to replace injured players or players that will be absent for any reason, but not, subject to the conditions as described below, to replace players suspended by Hockey Calgary.
- (b) A player who is neither a Canadian citizen nor a landed immigrant who is registered with Hockey Calgary is ineligible to participate as an affiliate player (Hockey Canada Rule Players F 5(d)(ii)).
- (c) The maximum number of players, including affiliate players, which will be allowed to be shown on any game sheet must not exceed the total number of players registered on the team. Teams can replace injured players and/or absent players with affiliated players to bring the team up to their roster size. The team roster size will be reduced by one for each player that is under a suspension imposed by Hockey Calgary for that game. This reduction in roster size will not be less than 13 skaters in body checking divisions, or 11 skaters in non-body checking divisions.
- (d) If a team's designated goaltender(s) is injured or ill, and the team's affiliated goaltenders are not able to play, another designated goaltender from the same or a lower division may be used. League Chairperson approval must be obtained. This rule only applies to the age categories of Bantam and older and to Pee Wee and Atom teams that have designated a goaltender on the Team Sheet at time of registration. This rule does not apply to the age Categories of Novice and Timbits or to Pee Wee and Atom teams that have not designated a goaltender on the Team sheet at time of registration.
- (e) Timbits teams can have teams or players affiliated to them, however, affiliates can only play for their affiliated team within Zone 9. If a Timbits (Initiation) team plays an exhibition game or in a tournament outside Zone 9, they cannot take affiliate players. If a Coach of a Timbits Team plays an affiliated player outside Zone 9, he/she will be deemed to have used an ineligible player and may be subject to the sanctions of using such a player. Affiliation from Timbits to Novice is not permitted.
- (f) For the purposes of affiliation in Novice the following conditions will apply within and outside of Zone 9:
1. A Novice team can only use an affiliated player to bring their Team roster for a particular game up to a maximum of 11 skaters (12 players including the goaltender).
 2. When an affiliate player is added to the game sheet in league play the maximum number of players permitted on the game sheet will be 11 skaters and 1 goaltender.
 3. Community 12(c) does not apply for Novice affiliation.
 4. A Novice aged player can only be used as an affiliate player on a Novice team to a maximum of 5 games beginning with the first scheduled league game (excluding exhibition and tournaments)
 5. Any game sheet that shows an affiliate with over 11 skaters will be deemed to have used an ineligible player and subject to the sanctions of using such a player.
- (g) Players who play within the Recreational League cannot affiliate to or play for teams within the competitive divisions (this includes Community Pee Wee, Bantam, Midget and Junior C, and Bantam AAA, Minor Midget AAA, Midget AA, Midget AAA, Junior B, High School Hockey and Female Divisions).
- (h) Players who play goal or designated goaltenders within the competitive divisions of Pee Wee, Bantam and Midget can affiliate with the permission of Hockey Calgary for the purposes of playing goal within the Recreational League. The maximum number of games that a player or designated goaltender plays goal within the Recreational League is unrestricted if enough goaltenders are not available within the Recreational League. Players who play goal and designated goaltenders from teams within the competitive

divisions who affiliated to the Recreational League for the purposes of playing goal within the Recreational League can also affiliate to one team within the competitive division as per the normal affiliation procedures set out in Community Rules 12 and 13.

12 Procedure for use of Affiliated Players

- (a) A player of a team of lower division may play any number of games for a team of higher division prior to January 10th, but may not play more than 5 games with the higher division club after January 10th (see Hockey Canada Regulations, E 35-39). Community players who play in a sixth (6th) game as an affiliate will be deemed to be an ineligible player and will not be eligible to play for any team (including the one on which they were originally registered) for the balance of the season. Under special circumstances, permission may be granted by Hockey Calgary allowing a Community player to remain with the team in the higher division, however this must occur prior to the fifth (5th) game being played. Teams and coaches using an ineligible player(s) will be subject to the sanctions as described in Rule Community 14 and as set out by the Hockey Canada and Hockey Alberta. The exceptions to this Rule are set out in Community 12 (e) for Timbits aged players, Community 12 (f) for Novice aged players and Community 12(g and h), with the permission of Hockey Calgary, for players within the Recreational League.
- (b) Games are defined for the use of affiliates as Hockey Calgary scheduled league games, the first game of Minor Hockey Week (the second and subsequent games during Minor Hockey week do not count in the total for use of affiliates), playoff games, and Provincial Playoff games (see Community 13 (f)). Exhibition and Tournament games do not count in the total for the use of affiliates.
- (c) When a higher division club uses an affiliated player they must signify same in writing (a\p or AP) after the player's name on the game sheet.
- (d) When using an affiliate player, the higher team must obtain the permission of the lower team and have the sanction of the League Chairperson indicated on the game sheet on which the affiliated player's name appears. Failure to obtain permission to use the affiliate player or to obtain the sanction of the League Chairperson may result in the loss of 2 game points and the Coach of the higher team receiving a one game suspension.
- (e) Players not registered with Hockey Calgary will at no time be allowed to play as an affiliate player.
- (f) Before affiliate players can be brought up and used for tournament play, the parent of the player being replaced must complete a form to be attached to the game sheet indicating they are aware of the tournament and that the replaced player is not able to attend.

13 Ineligible Players

- (a) An ineligible player may be classified as, but not restricted to, the following:
 1. A player who is improperly registered with Hockey Calgary. It is the Association's and individual team's responsibility, to make certain that all players are properly registered.
 2. A suspended player.
 3. A player who has not been properly released as per the release policy and procedures of Hockey Calgary.
 4. A player deemed to be ineligible as defined under the rules of Hockey Calgary.
- (b) A Coach or Manager who plays an ineligible player will be immediately suspended until his/her case has been dealt with by Hockey Calgary. If any team official, executive member of a team or of an association has knowledge of, or adds an unregistered or ineligible players name to the game sheet, or misrepresents a coach or trainer as being Certified, they shall be suspended for a period of not less than three years from playing or holding office with any team, club or association. For a team or their Hockey Association

to invoke this rule, they must utilize the protest procedures outlined in Community 24.

- (c) All games played using an ineligible player may be forfeited.
- (d) If a Coach or Manager asks to examine an opposing team's HCR Team Sheet prior to completion of the game and they are not at hand, they must be produced before the end of the game. Failure to do so could mean forfeiture of the game.

14 Officials

- (a) Hockey Calgary requires that qualified and certified officials referee all levels of hockey, including the "Full Ice" games played at the Timbits level. For Timbits "Cross ice" or "Half Ice" games, a certified coach or coaches who are on the ice may act as a referee.
- (b) During Minor Hockey Week and Play-offs, all major officials will be assigned by either the Central Zone Referee Committee or the Community Referee Coordinators.
- (c) Teams must supply off ice officials. The home team supplies the game timekeeper, and visiting team the scorekeeper. If no timekeeper is available, the referee must act as such or appoint someone.

15 Length of Games

Permit length	Length of periods 1, 2 and 3
1 hour permit	12, 15 and 15 minutes
1 ¼ hour permit	15, 15 and 15 minutes
1 ½ hour permit	15, 15 and 20 minutes
1 ¾ hour permit	15, 20 and 20 minutes
2 hour permit or greater	20, 20 and 20 minutes

Note:

- i. All games are stop time.
- ii. No time outs permitted.
- iii. There will be a 3-minute warm-up before each game.
- iv. Floods between periods will only occur as follows: 1 3/4 hour permit - between 2nd and 3rd periods; 2 hour permit - between 2nd and 3rd periods, 2 ¼ hour or greater permit, a flood will occur between both the 1st and 2nd period and between the 2nd and 3rd period.
- v. For games of 1 hour and 1 1/4 hour duration, players will not leave the ice between periods.
- vi. For games of 1 1/2 hours or more, players will not leave the ice between periods when no flood occurs.
- vii. Hockey Calgary reserves the right to make special changes to the number and length of periods. The respective League Chairperson/League Coordinator will duly notify teams of such changes.
- viii. No game will exceed the permit time. If undue delays occur for any reason and the game cannot be completed within the permit time, the following procedure will be followed:
 - a) At the first stoppage of play after time reaches 5 minutes left on the permit, the timekeeper will notify the referee.
 - b) At this stoppage of play the clock will be reset to 2 minutes and the remainder of the game completed with stop time.

16 Schedule Changes

- (a) Coaches, managers or Hockey Associations may not reschedule games. Only under exceptional circumstances (participation in tournaments, exhibition games or fund raisers do not qualify) can application be made to Hockey Calgary in writing, for permission to have Hockey Calgary reschedule a game. It should be noted that games could only be rescheduled with the approval of the Category Governor, President or Chairperson of the Hockey Committee and the Hockey Calgary office. Failure to comply will result in a loss of the two points to the offending team(s). In addition, the coach(s) will face further disciplinary action(s) including a minimum six game suspension or a possible suspension of up to one year. The loss of points will be deducted from that portion of the schedule following any seeding round. All league games must be played as scheduled unless authorized by Hockey Calgary.
- (b) Requests for a schedule window must be received by Hockey Calgary prior to the deadlines posted on the Schedule Window web form on www.hockeycalgary.com. Maximum ten day window allowed. Maximum number of one Schedule Window request per team allowed for each of the Seeding Round (October through December) and the Regular Season (January and February). No Schedule Windows will be allowed during Minor Hockey Week or the Playoffs.
- (c) Requests for scheduling windows can only be made using the form available from the Hockey Calgary office or webpage. All information must be supplied or the request will not be considered.
- (d) Games will only be postponed for Hockey Canada approved tournaments outside Zone 9, or those tournaments deemed "Special Events" within Zone 9.
- (e) All league play must be finalized by the last scheduled game, unless otherwise extended by the Hockey Calgary Executive.
- (f) Hockey Calgary reserves the right to refuse any or all requests.
- (g) Absolutely no postponing of Minor Hockey Week games or Playoff Games.

17 Team Management

- (a) Game Limitations: Timbits – per the Timbits documentation; Novice – per the NDL documentation; Atom 55 games.
- (b) The game total begins with the first Hockey Calgary scheduled game in the seeding round and includes all seeding and second round, exhibition, tournament, Minor Hockey Week and playoff games. The Head Coach of each team is responsible for the team not exceeding these limits. Failure to do so will result in suspension of the coach.
- (c) Each team shall have in their player's box a responsible person not in uniform (no more than five) to coach and look after and take responsibility for the team during the game. Failure to provide this responsible person could result in an automatic forfeiture of the game. Rule 9.2 of the Hockey Canada Rule Book must be rigidly adhered to. This rule states: Team officials shall be responsible for their conduct and that of their players at all times. They must endeavor to prevent disorderly conduct before, during or after the game, on or off the ice and any place in the rink.
- (d) Further to Hockey Canada Rule 9.2, the Head Coach will be responsible to ensure there is at least one and preferably two responsible adults in the team dressing room before and after each ice time. They will endeavor to prevent disorderly conduct, bullying and vandalism in any form. These adults may be any team official or adult selected by the Head Coach or team manager. Failure to comply with this supervision may result in the suspension of the head coach for a period of at least one game. Any adult found complicit with any undesirable activity will be suspended for a period of at least one year. This applies within all five streams of Hockey Calgary sanctioned hockey with the exception of Junior 'B' and Junior 'C'.
- (e) From the age category of Pee Wee and older, separate change facilities must be utilized by all female players (or male players if they are in the minority) before and after all ice times. They may join their

teammates in the dressing room after all players have completely changed. Failure to comply with this rule may result in suspension of the head coach for a period of at least one game.

18 Timbits

- (a) In an effort to promote development at the Timbits level (5 and 6 year olds) Hockey Calgary and all member communities will use the four ounce puck “Blue Puck” for all games and practices within the Timbits age category.
- (b) All teams registered in Zone 9 will participate in the Timbits program and will follow the rules set out by the Timbits Development Committee. The Timbits Program encourages an environment in which children can learn the basic skills without the distractions that are often associated with an over emphasis on winning.

19 Novice Development League

All teams registered in Zone 9 will participate in the Novice Development League and will follow the rules set out by Hockey Calgary. The NDL is a structured program for parents, players, coaches and officials for development and education.

The Novice Age Category will have the following special rules:

- a) All teams must adhere to the new Novice Development League format.
- b) All teams must wear sponsorship jerseys for all Games played.
- c) All positions must be rotated equitably as possible throughout the season.
- d) There is to be no assigning of goaltenders, this position must be rotated.
- e) There is to be no pulling of goaltenders during the course of any game play.

It is the responsibility of the Coach and every team official to ensure these special rules are followed throughout the season. In the event these rules are not being followed, it will result in the coach being automatically suspended indefinitely until the matter is ruled on by the Governor of Novice for Hockey Calgary or depending on the severity the Special Committee of Hockey Calgary.

20 End of Game Responsibilities

- (a) At the completion of each hockey game teams should participate in a post game handshake followed by the visiting team exiting the ice surface first. In games where the referee determines that a post game handshake will not be used the home team must stay on the ice at their box until the visiting team is off the ice.
- (b) The winning team (home team in the event of a tie) will be responsible for informing the League Chairperson/Coordinator the score of the game and any incidents written on the game sheet by the referee. The coach or manager must inform the League Chairperson/Coordinator either in person or via a telephone call within 24 hours after the game is completed. The game sheet must be sent to the League Chairperson/Coordinator within 24 hours after the game is completed. Failure to inform the League Chairperson/Coordinator following the game or send in the game sheets on time, may result in the coach being suspended or the loss of points from the game.

21 Score Sheets

- (a) Score sheets for all exhibition, league, tournament, Minor Hockey Week or playoff games must be forwarded within 48 hours following the game, to the appropriate League Chairperson.

- (b) League score sheets are to be forwarded to the League Chairperson by the winning team, or the home team in the case of a tie.
- (c) Only referees are allowed to write reports on the score sheet, along with the two linesmen.
- (d) First and last names must be clearly legible in the team line up.

22 Playoffs

- (a) During playoffs the Executive Committee shall appoint a Chairman who will have special powers to deal with protests, complaints or additional games to be played. Forfeiture of any game in a playoff series may mean forfeiture of the complete series.
- (b) Novice age category will not have Playoffs at the end of the regular season.
- (c) All teams in each division of Community Atom, Pee Wee, Bantam, Midget and Junior C will enter playoffs and will be seeded based on the final league standings (point total).
- (d) In cases where two or more teams are tied in points, the tie will be broken as follows and in the order indicated:
 1. If the tied teams have played each other an equal number of times league positions are assigned based on results of games between the tied teams. The team with the highest number of points in the games between the tied teams takes the top available position and so on until all available positions have been filled. If the tied teams have not played each other an equal number of times or if teams are still tied then:
 2. Tied teams are assigned league positions based on number of wins, with the largest number of wins taking top available ranking, and so on.
 3. For teams which are still tied, league positions will be assigned based on the ratio of goals for divided by goals against for all league games played, with largest ratio taking top available position and so on.
 4. If teams remain tied, Hockey Calgary will resolve the final positions. This will be done by scheduling games, where possible, or by resorting to coin toss, at the discretion of Hockey Calgary, after taking into account the number of tied teams and the timing of playoff games.
- (e) Playoffs will consist of a double knockout format (i.e. a team must lose twice to be eliminated).
- (f) Every attempt will be made to not allow Playoff games to end in a tie. Should the teams be tied at the end of regulation time, a sudden victory overtime period will be played. If a goal is scored during an overtime period the team scoring the goal will win the game.

23 Playoffs-Overtime

- (a) To commence overtime, each team will place five players (For example, in the first overtime each team is permitted 5 players – this may be 5 skaters and no goaltender or 4 skaters and a goaltender. The goaltender may be replaced by a skater at any time.) The teams will not change ends for the overtime period, and the time clock will be set for two minutes. All overtime periods will be stop time. Teams may change on the fly at any time.
- (b) At the end of each two minute increment, the horn will sound and both teams will remove one player from the ice. This process will continue until each team is reduced to three players on the ice (including the goaltender). Once each team has been reduced to three players (including the goaltender), the clock will be set for a six minute period and play will continue.
- (c) If the six-minute period has expired and the game remains tied, a further ten (minute period will be played (with three players, including the goaltender).

- (d) If a game is still tied at the end of the maximum permit time (regulation time plus the overtime as permitted by Hockey Calgary plus any extra time allowed by the arena staff) a subsequent “overtime only” game will be scheduled by Hockey Calgary. In the “overtime game” the teams will begin the overtime format from the beginning (a two minute period playing 5 players on 5 (including the goaltender) as described above) until a goal is scored. The President or Vice President may revise this format prior to the “overtime game” being scheduled.
- (e) The face off will occur at center ice at the beginning of each overtime period.

24 Penalties During Playoff Overtime

- (a) Penalties incurred in regulation time and not completely served will carry forward into overtime, and will be completed in overtime unless the game is ended.
- (b) A “time” penalty call in any of the overtime periods will result in a penalty shot(s) being awarded to the non-offending team for each time penalty called. A “time” penalty is defined as a two minute minor, five minute major penalty and/or a five minute match penalty where a player(s) would make his/her team short handed. If a 10 minute misconduct, game misconduct or gross misconduct penalty is called without an associated “time” penalty, the player will either sit in the penalty box (in the case of a 10 minute misconduct) or leave the ice and retire to the dressing room (in the case a Match penalty, Game Misconduct or Gross Misconduct).
- (c) If both teams receive a time penalty or penalties on the same stoppage of play then each team will take a penalty shot(s) with the home team shooting first. In the case of multiple penalties being assessed to both teams, a penalty shot will be awarded to the non-offending team for each time penalty called against the offending team. The teams will shoot one shot each until all time penalties have been accounted for. If the teams are still tied after all penalty shots have been taken, overtime will continue.
- (d) The player who has been fouled will take the penalty shot unless he/she has been injured. If the fouled player is injured or if the referee cannot determine a specific fouled player, any eligible player on the non-offending team may take the penalty shot.
- (e) Any player who is ejected from a play-off game is not eligible to participate in the overtime periods of the play-off game or in the “overtime only” game as described in Community Rule 23 above, if required.
- (f) The “overtime only” game is considered a continuation of the original play-off game and does not count on its own as a game for the purposes of suspensions served.

25 Appeal of Suspensions

The appeal of a suspension that is greater in duration than the minimum suspension for a particular offence (as indicated by the Minimum Suspensions for Hockey Calgary) can be filed in writing by the President (or his/her designate) of the appellants Community Hockey Association to the Age Category Governor for Hockey Calgary, within 48 hours of notification of suspension being assessed.

The appeal must be accompanied by a copy of the game sheet (if the suspension is related to a particular game) and a complete description of the events that caused the suspension.

Suspensions issued by League Chairpersons or other Hockey Calgary officials that are a result of a referee’s judgment call and follow the Minimum Suspension Guidelines will not be reviewed.

26 Protests

- (a) The parties: only the two teams involved shall have the right to file a protest in regard to a game or incident connected therewith.
- (b) Referee’s decision: a protest on a referee’s decision will not be considered unless it concerns a question of interpretation of the rules. Only rule violation protests will be considered.

- (c) Protests made regarding games played must be in writing and such protests, together with a summary of any evidence to be submitted and a list of any witnesses to be called, shall be prepared with copies going to:
 - 1. The League Chairperson;
 - 2. Age Category Governor (Hockey Calgary)
 - 3. General Manager (Hockey Calgary)
 - 4. Carded official of opposing team.
- (d) The protest shall set out the regulations and/or rules under which the protest is laid and shall be signed by the coach or manager of the protesting team, as well as the President or a Vice-President of the team's Community Hockey Association.
- (e) Time: protests shall be in the hands of the League Chairperson, or in his/her absence, the Hockey Calgary Office, and a carded official of the opposing team within 48 hours of the conclusion of the game protested. Fees: a cheque in the amount of \$150 payable to the "Hockey Calgary", which sum shall be non-refundable, must accompany the protest.

The Hearing: both teams and Associations will be notified by the General Manager of Hockey Calgary (or his/her designate) of the date and place of the hearing. All protests will be heard by a quorum of the Governors of Hockey Calgary and will include the League Chairperson.

27 Net Pegs

In all Hockey Calgary Divisions from Atom 2 and above, the net pegs will be utilized for all games. From Atom 3 and below the pegs will not be utilized in order to properly protect the players.

28 Structure

The BB Community board will operate as a council of Hockey Calgary in accordance with Bylaw 26.

SPECIAL RULES GOVERNING FEMALE HOCKEY

All general Rules and Regulations governing hockey and Special Community Rules apply to Girls Hockey Calgary Association (GHCA) with the following additions:

1 Body Checking

All hockey played within the GHC system is non-body checking.

2 Player Releases

- (a) Players registering with GHC are not required to be released from their home (resident) Hockey Association at the start of each season.
- (b) Players who have registered with GHC for the current season require a written release from GHC to play on another Hockey Calgary Association team after September 13.
- (c) Hockey Calgary will not recognize any minor female team(s) that is not comprised of GHC registered players.

3 Player Acceleration

Player acceleration will not be allowed in GHCA.

4 Player Affiliation

- (a) Hockey Calgary affiliation rules apply as per Community Rule 11-13.
- (b) GHC teams must file their affiliation lists for approval to Hockey Calgary prior to December 15 of the current playing season. Once approved, Hockey Calgary will file the approved affiliation list with Hockey Alberta prior to December 15 of the current playing season.
- (c) Request for affiliation to a team outside of GHC must be made in writing to the President of GHC.
- (d) For the purpose of Provincial play teams registered with Girls Hockey Calgary Association will follow the Hockey Alberta Rules for affiliation and for the use of affiliated players.

5 Association Requirements

- (a) Any Minor Hockey Community Association that have female players residing within their boundaries, who are registered with Girls Hockey Calgary, will be asked to host GHC team(s).
- (b) The Division level of these teams will be determined by agreement between GHC and the Community Hockey Association.
- (c) GHC with the approval of Hockey Calgary may allow teams outside of Zone 9 to apply to GHC to participate in various divisions of female hockey.

6 Hockey Canada Player Profiles

Administration of all Hockey Canada player profiles are the responsibility of the GHC registrar under the direction of the registrar for Hockey Calgary.

7 Provincial Championships

- (a) GHC teams may participate in recognized Hockey Alberta Provincial Championships.
- (b) Regular Season Standing will determine which team(s) participates in Provincial Championships. (Any adjustments due to scheduling will be approved by Hockey Calgary).

8 League Formation

Three teams can be a recognized as a league.

9 Registration

- (a) All female players under GHC are officially registered with Hockey Calgary through GHC.
- (b) Players who register with GHC are not allowed to register or tryout with any other Hockey Calgary Association or team while registered with GHC.
- (c) GHC is authorized by Hockey Calgary to place GHC teams in a “Host Association Format”. Some GHC teams will be “Hosted” by other Hockey Calgary Community Associations for team placement for the current season.
- (d) Community Host Associations register female players under GHC for Community Association team fee payment only.

10 League Participation

- (a) GHC Novice teams will participate in the North and South Divisions of Hockey Calgary.
- (b) GHC Atom through Midget teams may participate in the Rocky Mountain Female Hockey League or all female divisions within Hockey Calgary.
- (c) GHC Bantam AAA teams will participate in the Alberta Major Bantam Female Hockey League (AMBFHL).
- (d) GHC Midget AAA teams will participate in the Alberta Major Midget Female Hockey League (AMMFHL).
- (e) GHC Junior / Intermediate teams will participate in the Southern Alberta Women’s Hockey Association (SAWHA).

11 Structure

GHC will operate as a council of Hockey Calgary in accordance with Bylaw 26

RULES GOVERNING ELITE HOCKEY

All general Rules and Regulations governing hockey apply to AA and AAA Hockey with the following additions.

1 Elite Hockey Council

The Elite Hockey Council is formed of dedicated people selected from the Hockey Calgary member Associations in accordance with terms of reference provided by Hockey Calgary and while open to suggestion, will not tolerate any exception to the following rules. Any rule violations may result in suspension and forfeiture of points. The administration of Elite hockey, including the Calgary Teams participation in the Alberta AAA Midget Hockey League (AMHL), is under the direction of the Elite Council and Hockey Calgary.

2 Boundary Review

Boundary reviews should be prepared for Elite Council by an appointed Committee of members that are NOT connected to the Elite Associations.

Elite Association Presidents will meet to discuss Boundary needs and if an Agreement can be reached, the need to appoint a committee will not be necessary.

Final registration numbers for Hockey Calgary should be the signal for a review only if a 10% differential in any of the four Quadrants total numbers exists.

Criteria:

- a) Number of players graduating from teams in Division One, Division Two and Division Three.
- b) Total number of graduating players eligible for AA Bantam.
- c) The community boundaries must be protected and remain the same if possible, and any change or split in community boundaries would require a meeting with the affected association. Communities not affected by a change need not be involved.
- d) A final decision will be approved by Elite Council and is subject to ratification by Hockey Calgary.
- e) New areas that are considered the future of Elite Quadrants should be monitored in order to realize the Development of players that will enter the Elite System, by numbers and also the year the player is to move into Elite Hockey.

The importance of keeping the communities involved creates more interest and continued Development of players. Without the continued development of community based players, the cream cannot and will not rise to the top.

The Grandfather clause will be restricted to graduating Pee Wee players who have brothers or sisters playing in Elite Hockey, therefore, the players involved in a Boundary change will report the same year of the change to their new Quadrant. If changes to the boundary are forthcoming, players previously signed by Elite teams must remain the property of that Association.

3 Northwest Quadrant (Northwest Calgary Athletic Association)

Members include minor and junior aged players who's permanent residence is within the boundaries of the following Community Districts and junior aged players who qualify under Rule Elite 7: Arbour Lake, Banff Trail, Bowness, Brentwood, Capital Hill, Charleswood, Citadel, Collingwood, Crestmont, Dalhousie, Greenwood/Greenbriar, Hawkwood, Hillhurst, Hounsfeld Heights/Brian Hill, Montgomery, Parkdale, Point McKay, Ranchlands, Rocky Ridge, Royal Oak, Scenic Acres, Silver Springs, St Andrews Heights, Sunnyside, Tuscany, University Heights, University of Calgary Residence, Valley Ridge, Varsity, West Hillhurst as well as the residents of the Springbank Minor Hockey Association who reside outside the Calgary city limits.

4 Northeast Quadrant (Calgary Northstar Hockey Association)

Members include minor and junior aged players who's permanent residence is within the boundaries of the following Community Districts and junior aged players who qualify under Rule Elite 7: Abbeydale, Albert Park/Radisson Heights, Applewood Park, Beddington Heights, Bridgeland/Riverside, Cambrian Heights, Castleridge, Coral Springs, Coventry Hills, Crescent Heights, Douglas Glen, Dover, Edgemont, Erin Woods, Evanston, Falconridge, Forest Heights, Forest Lawn, Greenview, Hamptons, Harvest Hills, Hidden Valley, Highland Park, Highwood, Huntington Hills, MacEwan Glen, Marlborough, Marlborough Park, Martindale, Mayland, Monterey Park, Mount Pleasant, North Haven, North Haven Upper, Ogden, Panorama Hills, Penbrooke Meadows, Pineridge, Queens Park Village, Red Carpet/Mountview Mobile Park, Renfrew, Riverbend, Rosedale, Rosemont, Rundle, Saddleridge, Sandstone Valley, Southview, Symons Valley (Kincora & Sherwood), Taradale, Temple, Thorncliffe, Vista Heights, Whitehorn, Winston Heights/Mountview.

5 Southeast Quadrant (Calgary Buffalo Hockey Association)

Members include minor and junior aged players who's permanent residence is within the boundaries of the following Community Districts and junior aged players who qualify under Rule Elite 7: Acadia, Auburn Bay, Bonavista Downs, Chaparral, Copperfield, Cranston, Deer Ridge, Deer Run, Diamond Cove, Douglasdale Estates, Fairview, Kingsland, Lake Bonavista, Maple Ridge, McKenzie Lake, McKenzie Towne, Midnapore, Millrise, New Brighton, Parkland, Queensland, Shawnessy, Somerset, Sundance, Willow Park

6 Southwest Quadrant (Calgary Royals Athletic Association)

Members include minor and junior aged players who's permanent residence is within the boundaries of the following Community Districts and junior aged players who qualify under Rule Elite 7: Altadore, Aspen Woods, Bankview, Bayview, Bel-Aire, Braeside, Bridlewood, Britannia, Canyon Meadows, Cedarbrae, CFB, Chinook Park, Christie Parkm Cliffe Bungalow, Coach Hill, Cougar Ridge, Discovery Ridge, Eagle Ridge, Elbow Park, Elboya, Everwood, Glamorgan, Glenbrook, Glendale, Haysboro, Kelvin Grove, Killarney/Glengarry, Lakeview, Lincoln Park, Mayfair, Meadowlark Park, Mission, Mount Royal, North Glenmore Park, Oakridge, Palliser, Parkhill/Stanley Park, Patterson, Pump Hill, Richmond, Rideau Park, Rosscarrock, Roxboro, Rutland Park, Sarcee, Scarboro, Shaganappi, Shawnee Slopes, Signal Hill, Silverado, South Calgary, Southwood, Springbank Hill, Spruce Cliff, Strathcona, Sunalta, Westgate, Wildwood, Windsor Park, Woodbine.

7 The Calgary Junior Hockey League (C.J.H.L)

The Calgary Junior Hockey League is under the direction of Hockey Calgary and Elite Council. In the C.J.H.L., providing the player is 18 years of age and either employed in the City of Calgary or attending an educational institute, his/her residence need not be in Zone 9. A player who is visiting Calgary on an international/national cultural exchange or attending a post-secondary educational institution will be allowed to register with the appropriate documentation.

8 Completion and Composition of Teams

- (a) Junior: Each Association will enter a minimum of two Junior teams in the Calgary Junior Hockey League.
- (b) Midget: Each Association will enter a minimum of one AAA Midget team in the Alberta AAA Midget League (AMHL). Each Association will enter a minimum of two Midget AA teams in the Calgary Midget AA League. Each association shall enter two Minor Midget AAA teams in the Southern Alberta Midget League (SAML). The composition of the teams will be at the discretion of the Association, except that the Minor Midget AAA category will be restricted to players 15 years of age only.
- (c) Bantam: Each Association will enter a minimum of one Bantam AAA team comprised of up to 19 first and second year Bantam aged players to compete in the Alberta Major Bantam AAA League (AMBHL). Each Bantam AAA team is restricted to include three or fewer players 13 years old. Each Association will enter a minimum of two Bantam AA teams in the Calgary Bantam Hockey League.

9 Player Acceleration

- (a) Underage players are limited to players who have reached their 14th birthday prior to December 31 of the current playing season and must be ranked in the top half of the Midget AAA teams in the quadrant.
- (b) Players can accelerate only within the Associations boundaries in which they reside.

10 Player Registration

- (a) Any player, midget age or younger, who was not registered with Hockey Calgary the previous season, will be allowed to register, but will not be allowed to skate until the Registrar has reviewed his/her in accordance with Rules and Regulations 2 Residential Qualifications.
- (b) The coach and the Quadrant Hockey Association shall be held responsible to see that his/her players are:
 1. the correct age;
 2. residents of Zone 9;
 3. residents in the proper quadrant.
- (c) A coach who plays an ineligible player will be suspended indefinitely until his/her case has been dealt with (refer to Minimum Suspension Section of this book). All games using an ineligible player may be forfeited. To invoke this rule, a team must utilize the protest procedures as outlined under Rule Elite 26 and Rule Elite 27.
- (d) A team may not register a player if he/she is registered with another team for that season until written release has been received from the Association with whom he/she is registered and Hockey Calgary approval is obtained
- (e) The player's legal address must be indicated in the player profile. The street address of the player's legal residence must be identified or if the street address differs from the player's mailing address, both the street address and the mailing address must be identified on the player profile.

11 Team Registration

- (a) Each Elite team will confirm to the Elite Registrar that the Hockey Canada Registration rosters provided by the Elite registrar are accurate covering not more than the eligible number of players that a team may carry prior to the team's first league game except AAA Midget teams who will follow Alberta Midget Hockey League regulations. For players newly resident of Zone 9 or otherwise not previously registered with Hockey Calgary, registration shall include as necessary, releases, birth certificates and/or branch transfers.
- (b) One copy of the Hockey Canada Registration roster, when it has been duly registered, will be returned to the Association President.
- (c) During exhibition games prior to the start of the first league game, a team may use an unlimited number of eligible players as well as players properly released. After the league begins, only registered or affiliated players may play in exhibition games except AAA Midget players who will follow Alberta Midget Hockey League regulations (Note: an affiliate player cannot play until his/her team until they have been properly registered).
- (d) A Team must register a minimum of twelve players prior to the start of its first league game except AAA Midget teams who will follow Alberta Midget Hockey League regulations.

12 Residential Qualifications

- (a) A player must compete with a team representing the Elite team area in which he/she resides, which is entered in a division for which he/she is qualified to play, unless he/she is given a proper release.
- (b) A player shall be deemed for purposes of try out registrations to reside in the quadrant of which his/her parents are residing as of September 1, of the playing season. If the player does not reside with either parent the player must reside with his/her legal guardian as defined under the Domestic Relations Act or the Child Welfare Act. Such player must have resided within Zone 9 for one full year prior to registration. Proof of guardianship and length of residency must be submitted and approved by Elite Council and Hockey Calgary prior to registration being accepted.

13 Previously Signed Players

Clubs having signed a player for the previous season will be privileged to sign the same player, irrespective of his/her residence in Zone 9. The normal restrictions apply for signing a player who has signed with another team, either Community or Elite, for the current season.

14 Player Release

A player who is unsuccessful at securing membership on a team within the Elite Quadrant, which encompasses the area of his/her residency, must return to his/her appropriate Community Hockey Association for play that season. This rule does not apply to Junior age players. Junior age players must still have a release to play for an Association outside the area of their residency.

15 Player Release (Bantam only)

- (a) No Bantam aged player may be released after September 30 of the playing season and no Bantam aged player may be signed to an Elite team from a community team after December 1 of the playing season.
- (b) Special circumstances may be appealed to Hockey Calgary who shall establish a committee of three, one representative from each of Hockey Calgary, the community, and the Elite Association, to resolve the situation.
- (c) Any coach who contravenes these rules shall be suspended indefinitely, until the matter is ruled on by the Special Committee of Hockey Calgary (Note: this rule is for Elite releases and signs with community teams only, and does not involve releases and signers between Elite teams).

16 Affiliated Teams and Players

- (a) All affiliations must be filed, in writing with the Elite Registrar and Hockey Calgary prior to the affiliated player being allowed to participate, in any game with the team to which he/she is affiliated. If a Coach plays an affiliated player not registered with the Elite Registrar, he/she will be deemed to have used an ineligible player and may be subject to the sanctions of using such a player.
- (b) All Elite Associations are required to register their list of Community affiliated players in writing with Hockey Calgary by midnight October 22nd of the playing season.
- (c) Bantam AAA teams may affiliate any Bantam BB player within their boundary following notification and approval of the respective Association and Hockey Calgary.
- (d) All Elite teams affiliating within the Elite system must register their list of affiliated players with the Elite Registrar by midnight of the 30th day of November of the playing season including teams in the C.J.H.L.

- (e) Copies of the list of affiliated players should be sent by the Association President or representative to the following:
 - 1. Elite Registrar;
 - 2. Community team affected should be notified of the affiliation.
- (f) Written permission must be secured from the affiliated player's coach or manager, and attached to the game sheet, before an affiliate player is used.
- (g) For affiliation procedures in Elite hockey, all Elite Quadrants will follow the Hockey Canada regulation for Affiliations (Bylaws Book - Section (E), Rule 35-39). Please see www.hockeycalgary.com/rulesandreg.php to download a complete Hockey Canada Bylaws book. Prior to a player playing his/her 6th game after January 10th, as an affiliate player, the higher level team shall require written consent from the Elite Council Chairman or his/her designate who shall inform Hockey Calgary in writing of the occurrence.
- (h) A player who is neither a Canadian citizen nor a landed immigrant who is registered with Hockey Calgary is ineligible to participate as an affiliate player (Hockey Canada Rule 36 (c) Section E).

17 Officials

Any complaints about referees or off ice officials by coaches, managers, players or parents must be sent to the appropriate Elite Association President for approval and onward delivery to the Chairman of Elite Council for appropriate action.

18 Length of Games

Permit length	Length of periods 1, 2 and 3
Bantam AAA (1 3/4 hours)	15, 15 and 20 minutes
Midget A (2 1/4 hours)	As per SAML rules
Midget AA (2 1/4 hours)	20, 20 and 20 minutes
Midget AAA	As per AMHL rules
Jr B (2 1/4 hours)	20, 20 and 20 minutes

- i. All games are stop time.
- ii. One time out is permitted for each team, except Bantam AA.
- iii. There will be a 3-minute warm-up before each game.
- iv. Floods between periods will only occur as follows:
 - a. For all full games (2 ¼ hours or longer) the ice will be flooded at the end of each period.
 - b. For Bantam AA the ice will be flooded after the completion of 2 consecutive periods of play. Special advisories are provided at the start of each year advising of the process for the arenas utilized.
- v. Hockey Calgary reserves the right to make special changes to the number and length of periods. The respective League Coordinator will notify teams if a change is made.
- vi. No game will exceed the permit time. If undue delays occur for any reason and the game cannot be completed within the permit time, the following procedure will be followed:
 - a. At the first stoppage of play after time reaches 5 minutes left on the permit, the timekeeper will notify the referee.

- b. At this stoppage of play the clock will be reset to 2 minutes and the remainder of the game completed with stop time.
- c. All Games in the Calgary Leagues will be managed using a “quick face-off” procedure, otherwise referred to as the 15-second face-off.

19 End of Game Etiquette

At the completion of each hockey game teams can participate in a post game handshake followed by the visiting team exiting the ice surface first .In games where a post game handshake is not used the home team must stay on the ice at their box until the visiting team is off the ice.

20 Team Management

- (a) Each team shall have in their player’s box a responsible person not in uniform (no more than 5) to coach and look after and take responsibility for the team during the game. Failure to provide this responsible person could result in an automatic forfeiture of the game.
- (b) Rule 9.2 of the Hockey Canada Rule Book must be rigidly adhered to. This rule states: Team officials shall be responsible for their conduct and that of their players at all times. They must endeavor to prevent disorderly conduct before, during or after the game, on or off the ice and any place in the rink.
- (c) Further to Rule 9.2, the Head Coach will be responsible to ensure there is at least one and preferably 2 responsible adults in the team dressing room before and after each ice time. They will endeavor to prevent disorderly conduct, bullying and vandalism in any form. Failure to comply with this supervision may result in the suspension of the Head Coach for a period of at least one game. Any adult found complicit with any undesirable activity will be suspended for a period of at least one year.
- (d) From the age category of Pee Wee and older, separate change facilities must be utilized by all female players before and after all ice times. They may join their teammates in the dressing room after all players have completely changed. Failure to comply with this rule may result in suspension of the Head Coach for a period of at least one game.

21 League Coordinator

- (a) It will be his/her duty to supervise and direct the conduct of the teams, coaches, managers and players coming under his/her jurisdiction. He/she has the authority to discipline any team official or player who contravenes any of the rules and regulations established by Hockey Calgary and the Elite Council. He/she may also deal (in liaison with the Elite Council Chairman) with any Elite registered team, who in his/her opinion is guilty of unbecoming conduct.
- (b) He/she at no time should enter the referee’s room during a game unless invited. If he/she has a complaint against an official, he/she should put it in writing and send it to the Elite Council Chairman with a copy to the Elite Council Vice-Chairman.
- (c) He/she may suspend, with the concurrence of the Elite Council Chairman (or designate), a manager, coach, trainer or a player up to a maximum of five games.
- (d) He/she is obligated to attend Elite Council meetings upon request to give a report of the events associated with his/her league (i.e. standings, suspensions, etc.). If he/she does not attend Elite Council meetings he/she must file a report with the Elite Council Chairman.
- (e) The League Coordinator shall enforce Hockey Canada, Hockey Alberta, and Hockey Calgary rules, consistently, firmly but fairly.

22 Game Reports

It is the responsibility of the Manager of the Home team to ensure that the game sheet and any associated Incident Reports are faxed and/or hand delivered to their respective league representatives as noted in the following:

	League Coordinator	League Statistician	Elite Council Chairman
Game Sheet	Within 24 hours of a game being completed.	Within 24 hours of a game being completed.	May be provided in absence of a League Coordinator or Statistician. Must be provided if an appeal is contemplated.
Incident Report	Within 24 hours of a game being completed.	Not Required.	May be provided in absence of a League Coordinator or Statistician. Must be provided if an appeal is contemplated.

All original game sheets and incident reports are then to be delivered by hand or via mail to the League Coordinator. All managers are to ensure that the volunteers selected to complete the game sheet do so in a manner that ensures they are legible and accurate. Elite Council will provide guidelines for the completion of game sheets at the beginning of the season. Accurate and timely information is important to the proper administration and management of the league, including management of disciplinary actions of participants.

23 Schedule Changes

- (a) All league games must be played as scheduled unless otherwise authorized by Elite Council in consultation with the ice allocation of Hockey Calgary. Coaches, Managers or Hockey Associations may NOT reschedule games. Only under exceptional circumstances can application be made to Elite Council in writing, for permission to reschedule a game. Applications must be presented by the respective Elite Association President. Failure to comply, will result in a loss of the 2 points to the offending team(s). In addition, the coach(s) will face further disciplinary action(s) including a minimum six game suspension or a possible suspension of up to one year. The loss of points will be deducted from that portion of the schedule following any seeding round.
- (b) Elite Council will not entertain and change of league schedules for Tournament or Exhibition play after midnight September 15th of the current playing season.
- (c) Games will only be postponed for Hockey Canada approved tournaments outside Zone 9, or those tournaments deemed "Special Events" within Zone 9.
- (d) All league play must be finalized by the last scheduled game, unless otherwise extended by the Elite Council.
- (e) Elite Council reserves the right to refuse any or all requests.
- (f) Absolutely no postponing of Minor Hockey Week games.

24 Playoffs

- (a) During playoffs the Chairman of Elite Council will have special powers to deal with protests, complaints or additional games to be played. Forfeiture of any game in a playoff series may mean forfeiture of the complete series.
- (b) Team standings for playoffs will be decided on the basis of point total. In cases where two or more teams are tied in points, the tie will be broken as follows and in the order indicated:
1. If the tied teams have played each other an equal number of times (balanced schedule) league positions are assigned based on results of games between the tied teams. The team with the highest number of points in the games between the tied teams takes the top available position and so on until all available positions have been filled. If the tied teams have not played each other an equal number of times (unbalanced schedule) or if teams are still tied then:
 2. Tied teams are assigned league positions based on number of wins, with the largest number of wins taking top available ranking, and so on.
 3. For teams which are still tied, league positions will be assigned based on the ratio of goals for divided by goals against for all league games played, with largest ratio taking top available position and so on.
 4. If teams remain tied, Hockey Calgary will resolve the final positions. This will be done by scheduling games, where possible, or by resorting to coin toss, at the discretion of Hockey Calgary, after taking into account the number of tied teams and the timing of playoff games.
- (c) The number of teams to qualify for the playoffs will be based on the size of the division:
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| Bantam AA | All 8 teams qualify |
| Bantam AAA | As per the AMBHL Rules |
| Minor Midget AAA | As per AMMHL Rules |
| Midget AA | All 6 teams qualify |
| Midget AAA | As per AMHL rules |
| Junior B | 6 teams* |

* Junior B Playoffs will be best of three series in the Quarter and Semi Finals. The Final series to determine the City Champion will be a best of five series. CJHL will start the Junior B schedule the second (2nd) Sunday in October of the playing year.

25 Suspensions

- (a) Players or team officials receiving a game or gross misconduct for any reason must contact their League Coordinator prior to participation in their next League, Minor Hockey Week, Play-off, Tournament or Exhibition game. In almost all cases a one or two game suspension will be assessed which will be applied to the next scheduled game.
- (b) In Elite Hockey, if a 2 minute Minor Checking From Behind penalty is assessed, the following will apply:
1. First Offence:
If the penalty occurs in the first or second period the offending player will be ejected from the game he/she is in and there shall be no further suspension. If the penalty occurs in the third period the player would automatically be ejected from the game he/she is in and will be suspended for one additional game.

2. Second Offence

If a player receives a second Checking From Behind penalty during the same playing season, the player will be ejected from the game he/she is in and will be suspended for one additional game no matter when the penalty was called.

3. Third Offence

If a player receives a third Checking From Behind Penalty during the current playing season, the player will be ejected from the game he/she is in and will be suspended for two additional games no matter when the penalty was called.

4. Fourth Offence

If a player receives a fourth Checking From Behind Penalty at any time during the game in the current playing season, the player will be ejected from the game he/she is in and will be required to attend a hearing with the Hockey Calgary Special Committee prior to participation in any future games.

- (c) It is the Head Coaches responsibility to ensure these guidelines are followed. For all major and Match Checking From Behind Penalties the Minimum Suspension Guidelines will be followed. The League Coordinator with the concurrence of the Chairman of Elite Council shall have the power to assess up to two additional game suspensions for any checking from behind penalty.
- (d) A suspended coach, manager, non-player team official or spectator, is not permitted in the arena or adjoining building to the arena while he/she is under suspension. The use of any or all communication devices can not be used between any suspended coach, manager, non player team official, spectator or player and the team is prohibited. Nor can any person so suspended utilize an intermediary to conduct such communication, either verbally or via a device. The suspension will include 1-hour prior - until 1 hour after the suspended game.
- (e) A suspended player shall not be allowed within 50 feet of any player's bench nor allowed in the dressing room 1 hour before and 1 hour after the game. Also, a suspended player may not be allowed within 25 feet of the referees change room or within 25 feet of where the officials enter or exit the ice surface.
- (f) A player or team official that has been suspended will be notified in writing by the League Coordinator or Elite Council Chairman (other than automatic Minimum Suspensions which are outlined in this manual and must be followed). In the event of a suspended player playing, the game will be forfeited to the non-offending team and the coach shall be suspended indefinitely, until the matter is ruled on by the Elite Council.

26 Appeal of Suspensions

The appeal of a suspension shall be filed in writing by the President (or his/her designate) of the appellants Association to the Elite Council Chairman. The appeal must be accompanied by a cheque of \$150 (non-refundable) payable to Elite Council within 48 hours of notification of suspension being assessed.

27 Game Protests

- (a) The parties: only the two teams involved shall have the right to file a protest in regard to a game or incident connected therewith.
- (b) Referee's decision: a protest on a referee's decision will not be considered unless it concerns a question of interpretation of the rules. Only rule violation protests will be considered.
- (c) Protests made regarding games played must be in writing and such protests, together with a summary of any evidence to be submitted and a list of any witnesses to be called, shall be prepared with copies going to:

1. The League Coordinator;
 2. Elite Council Chairman;
 3. Carded official of opposing team.
- (d) The protest shall set out the regulations and/or rules under which the protest is laid and shall be signed by the coach or manager of the protesting team, as well as the President or a Vice-President of the team's association.
- (e) Time: protests shall be in the hands of the League Coordinator, or in his/her absence, the Elite Council Chairman, and a carded official of the opposing team within 48 hours of the conclusion of the game protested. In all protests, time shall be of the essence.
- (f) Fees: a cheque in the amount of \$150 payable to Elite Council, which sum shall be non-refundable, must accompany the protests. Where the sender withdraws a protest after being presented to the respective recipients, the \$150 fee will be non-refundable.
- (g) The Hearing: both teams and Associations will be notified by the Elite Council Chairman (or designate) of the date and place of the hearing. All protests will be heard by a quorum of the Elite Council to be presided over by the Chairman (or designate) and include the League Coordinator. The hearing shall be heard, if possible, before the next scheduled league game of either of the two teams involved.

28 Playoff Overtime Rules

Playoffs will consist of a Double-Knockout tournament format. Regulation time for all games may not exceed the scheduled permit time. Should the teams be tied at the end of regulation, a sudden victory overtime will be played. The following is a "condensed" version of the special rules for overtime.

OVERTIME

- The number of players permitted on the ice (outlined below in Overtime Format) includes the goaltender. For example, in the first overtime each team is permitted 5 players – this may be 5 skaters and no goaltender or 4 skaters and a goaltender. The goaltender may be replaced by a skater at any time.
- All overtime periods will be stop time and will begin with face-off at center ice
- Teams will not change ends
- Penalties incurred in regulation and not completely served will carry forward into overtime with the player serving the remainder of the time in the penalty box and his/her team commencing overtime short handed
- An Elite Council official has the authority to stop or extend overtime depending on the availability of ice.

Overtime Format:

1. Clock set for 5 minutes – each team permitted 5 players, one of which may be a goaltender
2. If still tied, clock set for 5 minutes – each team permitted 4 players, one of which may be a goaltender
3. If still tied and/or the overtime permit time has expired, the game will end and be declared a tie.
4. Hockey Calgary will schedule an additional game

Penalties in Overtime:

- "Time" penalties are defined as 2 or 5 minute penalties that would result in the offending team being short-handed
- Players who have been assessed a time penalty in overtime will not serve the time duration of their penalty, instead a penalty shot shall be awarded.

- Misconduct penalties will either be served in the penalty box (10 minute misconduct) or the player will leave the ice (game or gross misconduct)
- Any player ejected from a play-off game at any time is not eligible to participate in overtime or the “Overtime Game” if required.
- Penalty shots will be taken by the fouled player unless he/she is unable due to injury or cannot be identified – then any eligible player may take the penalty shot
 1. If a time penalty is called a penalty shot will be awarded to the non offending team for each time penalty called
 2. If both teams are called for a time penalty at the same stop in play both teams will be awarded a penalty shot with the Home team shooting first
 3. If multiple time penalties are called on both teams the teams will shoot one shot each until all time penalties have been accounted for with the Home team shooting first.

29 Structure

Elite will operate as a council of Hockey Calgary in accordance with Bylaw 26.

RULES GOVERNING HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY

Formation

1. Hockey Calgary hereby establishes the High School Hockey Council (“HSHC”) as a subcommittee of the Board of Directors of Hockey Calgary.
2. The Board of Directors will appoint one of its members to sit as the chair of the HSHC.
3. Members of the HSHC will be appointed by the Board of Directors and may be removed from this subcommittee at the discretion of the Board. The Board will determine the number of members that will comprise the HSHC and may increase or decrease the number of members at such time or times as the Board determines necessary.
4. Rules governing the decision making and authority of the HSHC will be subject to the approval of the Board in consultation with the HSHC.
5. Hockey Calgary may dissolve the HSHC if it determines such action is in the best interest of Hockey Calgary.

All general Rules and Regulations governing hockey apply to High School Hockey with the following additions:

1 Definitions

“High School Hockey” means a hockey program organized by a High School comprising of one or more High School Hockey Teams or as a part of a Hockey School program.

“High School Boundary” means Zone 9 and those High Schools located within Zone 9, who agree to be governed by Hockey Calgary as approved from time to time by Hockey Alberta.

“High School” means an educational institution accredited by the Province of Alberta and located within the jurisdiction of Hockey Calgary, as approved by Hockey Alberta from time.

“High School Team” means a boys or girls hockey team organized by a High School to compete with hockey teams outside of the High School.

“Midget Team” means a High School team of midget aged players.

“Bantam Team” means a High School team of bantam aged players.

Words not specifically defined in these Rules will have the meaning given to them in the Constitution, By-Laws, and Rules and Regulations of Hockey Calgary and if not defined in the Constitution, By-laws and Rules and Regulations of Hockey Calgary, then the Rules and Regulations of Hockey Alberta and Hockey Canada.

2 High School Hockey Council

The HSHC, as directed by the Executive Committee, will guide the administration of High School Hockey. Unless specifically provided otherwise in these rules, the Executive Committee, in consultation with the HSHC, will ratify all decisions by the HSHC, including participation in hockey leagues, tournaments and exhibition games by High School Teams outside the High School Boundary. In its discretion, the HSHC or the Executive Committee may refer any matter involving High School Hockey to the Board of Directors of Hockey Calgary for its approval or direction.

3 Boundaries

The High School Boundary will be reviewed every two years and adjusted if necessary based on boundary principles as approved by the Hockey Calgary Board of Directors and Hockey Alberta.

4 Completion and Composition of Teams

Prior to September 1 of each year, the HSHC will request approval in writing from the Executive Committee, for the number and composition of High School Teams at any High School within the Zone.

5 Games

- a) Participation in any leagues outside of the High School Boundary, and any league championship, provincial championship, regional championship or national championship, whether within or outside the High School Boundary, will not be permitted, except as set out in these Rules (see Rules HSH 5b) and HSH 7a). High School Teams may apply to the HSHC for permission to participate in exhibition/tournament hockey games outside the High School Boundary. High School Teams will be able to participate in exhibition games and tournaments within the High School Boundary, without the need for HSHC approval.
- b) High School Hockey may participate in High School Hockey league championship, High School Hockey provincial championship, High School Hockey regional championship or High School Hockey national championship.

6 Player Acceleration Bantam to Midget

Underage players are limited to players who have reached their 14th birthday prior to December 31 of the current playing season and must be ranked in the top half of the top High School Midget Team in order to be eligible to participate on a High School Midget Team.

7 Player Registration

Players can only register for one team and must elect on or prior to September 30 of the playing season which part of the Hockey Calgary system they will play in.

The following player registration conditions apply:

- a) No player shall participate in any game under the jurisdiction of Hockey Calgary before the player is either registered or in the process of being registered with Hockey Calgary. This includes exhibition, exhibition-league and tournament games after commencement of the regulation sanctioned league schedule. The President of Hockey Calgary may waive this requirement if he/she feels it is advisable to do so. Signed team cards or team sheets (or legible photocopies thereof) must be carried at all games sanctioned by Hockey Calgary.
- b) The player's legal address must be indicated on the team sheet or player card. The street address of the player's legal residence must be identified or if the street address differs from the player's mailing address, both the street address and the mailing address must be identified on the team sheet or player card.
- c) If a player's registration eligibility status is questioned, the Special Committee of Hockey Calgary will review his/her residential qualifications and render a decision within seven days. In order to establish residency in the High School Boundary, a player will need to produce the following evidence satisfactory to the Special Committee of Hockey Calgary, including but not limited to the following:
 - i) where the player has not lived within the High School Boundary in prior years, a letter from parents' employer indicating reason for move;
 - ii) a letter confirming full time academic enrollment for the current academic year from the Hockey School the player is attending;
 - iii) a copy of lease rental/housing purchase agreement or a letter from the realtor (Refer to Residential Qualifications in Rules and Regulations 2)

- d) The coach of any High School Team and the HSHC shall be held responsible to see that his/her players:
 - i) are of the correct age;
 - ii) are resident within the High School Boundary and,
 - iii) provide a letter from the player's parents or legal guardian confirming the residency of the player and parents or legal guardian for the applicable playing season while attending a High School (i.e. specify address and other information Hockey Calgary may require). See HC Rule F4.
- e) The coach of a High School Team who plays an ineligible player will be suspended indefinitely until his/her case has been dealt with, (refer to Minimum Suspension Section of this book, Hockey Canada Rule 16).
- f) A High School Team may not card a player if he/she is currently carded or team registered with another team for that season until written release has been received from the association with whom he/she is registered and Hockey Calgary approval is obtained.
- g) If a player registered with a High School Team ceases for whatever reason to be enrolled as a full time student in the academic program of his/her Hockey School, the player will no longer be eligible to play for that High School Team.
- h) In all cases the following registration dates will apply:
 - i) Bantam age players who will be playing on a Bantam Team must be carded on or before the team plays either a regular season sanctioned exhibition game or tournament game or September 30 which ever occurs first.
 - ii) Midget age players who will be playing on a Midget Team must be carded on or before the team plays either a regular season exhibition or tournament game or September 30 which ever occurs first.

Note: In order for a player to be added to a High School Team after the appropriate carding dates, the Hockey School must apply, in writing, to the HSHC for prior approval.

8 Team Registration

- a) Each High School Team will deliver to Hockey Calgary Registrar, Hockey Canada cards or a team registration sheet duly completed and signed covering not more than the eligible number of players that a team may carry prior to the team's first exhibition / tournament game.
- b) One copy of the Hockey Canada card or team registration sheet, when it has been duly registered, will be returned to the HSHC Chairman.
- c) Before the first sanctioned game, a High School Team may use an unlimited number of eligible players. After the commencement of scheduled sanctioned games, only registered or affiliated players may play sanctioned games. (Note: an affiliate player cannot play until his/her team player card or team registration sheet has been properly registered and the affiliation has been approved by Hockey Calgary as per HSH 14).
- d) A High School Team must register a minimum of 12 players prior to the start of its first sanctioned game.
- e) All High School sanctioned teams will be disbanded after April 30 and not before.

9 Residential Qualifications

- a) Rules and Regulations 2 Residential Qualifications as stated in Hockey Calgary Constitution, By-laws and Playing Rules apply, subject to the provisions set out in these Rules.
- b) Hockey Canada Residential Qualifications as stated in Section F, Hockey Canada Articles, By-Laws, Regulations apply.

- c) Participants in a High School development program (including house league programs conducted solely within the High School) do not need to meet the residency requirements of these Rules. Participants within a High School development program must, however, be made aware that if they do not meet the residency requirements of Hockey Calgary, they are not eligible to play on or be affiliated to HSHC/Hockey Calgary carded teams or sheeted teams at any level.
- d) Students currently enrolled in High School who do not meet the residential Rules set out herein has to apply to the HSHC, Hockey Calgary and Hockey Alberta where required for special consideration of acceptance into the Zone.

10 Previously Signed Players

- a) The normal restrictions apply for signing a player who has signed with another team, (Community, Elite or High School) for the current season. No special circumstances will be given for previously signed players.
- b) If a student should join a High School Team after the start of the school year, that individual may be permitted to play by:
 - i) Obtaining HSHC approval;
 - ii) Complying with Hockey Calgary residency Rules;
 - iii) Registering as a player of a High School Team prior to January 10 of the playing season; and
 - iv) Obtaining a release from any other sanctioned association, if that is required.
- c) Players who do not meet the requirements of Hockey Calgary may attend a Hockey School for skill development (including a house league program conducted solely within the High School) but cannot participate on any High School Team or any other Hockey Calgary team for the balance of the playing season.

11 High School Tryout Process

The following structure provides direction and options for minor hockey players registering and trying out for High School Teams within the High School Boundary.

Qualifications:

- a) Players who are trying out for a High School Team must:
 - i) Reside within the High School Boundary; (except those individuals as set out under Rule 9d));
 - ii) Be enrolled as a full time academic participant of the High School prior to registering for a High School Team;
 - iii) Be registered for the purposes of trying out for a High School Team prior to September 1 of that school year and;
 - iv) Enter into the tryout process with full acceptance and knowledge that should they be successful in making the High School Team, that they would not be eligible to participate in any Hockey Alberta sanctioned league, provincial, regional or national play downs/championships.
- b) Players who are cut or released from a High School Team and then are trying out for Community Hockey must:
 - i) Reside within Zone 9 (as per Hockey Calgary Rules and Regulations) and;
 - ii) Register with their Community prior to their first ice time.

Communities at their own discretion may require players to register prior to September 1 of the current playing season in order to be eligible for try-outs. It should be noted however that September 1 is the

official date for Community residency as per Hockey Calgary Rules and Regulations.

- c) Given that the appropriate conditions stated above are met, players may register for the purposes of try-outs for a High School Team and/or Community hockey program or for the Elite and/or Community program.

Clarification:

- i) Players who register for High School Team and are subsequently cut or released will only be eligible to play with their Community team as described above.
- ii) Players who register with Elite quadrant Associations and are subsequently cut or released will only be eligible to play with their Community team as described above.
- iii) Players must declare by way of Hockey Calgary approved registration requirements prior to September 30 of the current playing season whether they are trying out for the High School Team or the Elite program.
- iv) Players may register in both the High School Team and Elite Programs. Under no circumstances may a player skate in tryouts for both the High School Team and Elite Programs.
- v) All players are eligible to register and play in the Community program.
- vi) Players wishing to register with an LMHA, other than the one they were registered with in the previous season, must obtain a Permission to Tryout form or release from their previous LMHA (as per Hockey Alberta Regulation 3.7).

It is strongly recommended that all players who register in either the High School Team or Elite programs also register in their respected Community Hockey program.

12 Player Release

A player, who is unsuccessful at securing membership within a High School Team, must follow the requirements as stated in HSH 11 above.

13 Player Release (Bantam only)

- a) No Bantam aged player of a High School Team will receive a release to play with a Community based hockey team after September 30 of the playing season.
- b) Special circumstances may be appealed to the Special Committee of Hockey Calgary.
- c) Any coach who contravenes these Rules shall be suspended indefinitely, until the Special Committee of Hockey Calgary rules the matter.

14 Affiliated Teams and Players

- a) Each team may have affiliated with it only one team or up to 19 named players (with Hockey Calgary's approval) in a lower division or age category from within the High School Teams. Players can only be affiliated to one team. In the cases where a lower division team is split to provide affiliates to not more than two higher division or category teams the players on the lower division or category team must be named (lists must be filed with Hockey Calgary) as to which team they are affiliated with.
- b) All affiliations must be filed, in writing, on an Official Affiliation Form with Hockey Calgary office and approved prior to the affiliated player being allowed to participate, in any game, with the team to which he/she is affiliated. Affiliations will be accepted and endorsed by Hockey Calgary up to and including November 30th of the current playing season.
- c) Copies of the list of affiliated players should be sent to the following:

- i) Hockey Calgary Registrar and;
- ii) HSHC Chairman
- d) Written permission must be secured from the affiliated player's coach or manager, and attached to the game sheet, before an affiliate player is used.
- e) For affiliation procedures all High School Teams will follow the Hockey Canada and Hockey Alberta rules for Affiliations.
- f) Prior to a player playing his/her 6th sanctioned game, after January 10, as an affiliate player, the higher level team shall require written consent from Hockey Calgary President or his/her designate.
- g) All affiliations shall terminate at the end of the current playing season.
- h) Please note that there are no default affiliations. An affiliation list must be filed with Hockey Calgary prior to the first scheduled sanctioned game, before any player can play as an affiliate or any team can use an affiliated player.
- i) If a coach plays an affiliated player not registered with the Hockey Calgary, he/she will be deemed to have used an ineligible player and may be subject to the sanctions of using an ineligible player (Hockey Canada Rule 16).

15 Officials

Hockey Calgary requires that qualified and certified officials referee all levels of hockey.

- a) Home team must supply off ice officials for all games. Four off ice officials are required for each game and should include; a timekeeper, an official scorer and two officials to manage the penalty box area.
- b) Any complaints about referees or minor officials by coaches, managers, players or parents must be sent to the HSHC Chairman for review and onward delivery to Hockey Calgary for appropriate action.
- c) All off ice officials are responsible for conducting their duties in a manner that displays sportsmanship and shows fair play and respect to all participants. As neutral off ice officials assisting the referee in proper conduct of the game they are significant contributors to the management of the game. Should their behavior warrant disciplinary action they may be relieved of their duties by the referee or other Hockey Calgary official.

16 End of Game Etiquette

At the completion of each hockey game High School Teams can participate in a post game handshake followed by the visiting team exiting the ice surface first. In games where a post game handshake is not used the home team must stay on the ice at their box until the visiting team is off the ice.

17 Team Management

- (a) Each High School Team shall have in their player's box a responsible person not in uniform (no more than 5) to coach and look after and take responsibility for the team during the game (see HSH Rule 22). Failure to provide this responsible person could result in an automatic forfeiture of the game.
- (b) Rule 9.2 of the Hockey Canada. Rule Book must be rigidly adhered to. This rule states: Team officials shall be responsible for their conduct and that of their players at all times. They must endeavor to prevent disorderly conduct before, during or after the game, on or off the ice and any place in the rink

18 Hockey Calgary Reporting Requirements

- a) The Chairman of the HSHC (or his/her designates) shall be responsible to supervise and direct the conduct of all High School Teams, their coaches, managers and players coming under his/her jurisdiction. He/she has the authority to discipline any team official or player who contravenes any of the Rules and regulations established by Hockey Calgary and the HSHC. He/she may also deal (in liaison with Hockey Calgary) with any High School Team, who in his/her opinion is guilty of unbecoming conduct.
- b) No member of the HSHC should enter the referee's room during or after/before a game unless invited. If he/she has a complaint against an official, he/she should put it in writing and send it to Hockey Calgary VP Operations.
- c) The Chairman of the HSHC may suspend, with the concurrence of the President of Hockey Calgary, a manager, coach, trainer or a player up to a maximum of five games.
- d) The Chairman of the HSHC shall, upon request of the President of Hockey Calgary, give a monthly report of the events associated with his/her teams (i.e. standings, suspensions, etc.) to Hockey Calgary.
- e) The Chairman of the HSHC shall enforce Hockey Canada, Hockey Alberta, and Hockey Calgary Rules, consistently, firmly and fairly.

19 Game Reports

- a) It is the responsibility of the manager of a High School Team to ensure that the game sheet and any associated Incident Reports are faxed and/or hand delivered to the Chairman of the HSHC and Hockey Calgary as noted below:

	Council Chair	Hockey Calgary Office
Game Sheet	Within 24 hours of a game being completed.	May be provided in absence of the Chairman of the HSHC. Must be provided if an appeal is contemplated.
Incident Report	Within 24 hours of a game being completed.	May be provided in absence of the Chairman of the HSHC. Must be provided if an appeal is contemplated.

- b) All original game sheets and incident reports are then to be delivered by hand or via mail to the Chairman of the HSHC. All managers are to ensure that the volunteers selected to complete the game sheet do so in a manner that ensures they are legible and accurate. HSHC will provide guidelines for the completion of game sheets at the beginning of the season. Accurate and timely information is important to the proper administration and management of the league, including management of disciplinary actions of participants.

20 Suspensions

- a) All High School Team players and coaching staff will be subject to the same suspension process and Rules that apply to all other teams registered with Hockey Calgary. However, given that a High School Team is only permitted to play against other sanctioned Hockey Canada teams in sanctioned games. Suspensions will apply to sanctioned games as if they were league games pursuant to Hockey Alberta Rule 13.2 (Minor Hockey Suspension Procedures) and in particular Rule 13.2.4.
- c) All games set up by a High School Team will be registered with Hockey Calgary as Hockey Calgary

“sanctioned” games such that if a player receives a suspension the next registered or “sanctioned” game(s) would be used as a suspended game.

21 Appeal of Suspensions

The Chairman of the HSHC shall file the appeal of a suspension, in writing. The appeal must be accompanied by a cheque of \$150 (non refundable) payable to Hockey Calgary within 48 hours of notification of suspension being assessed.

22 Coaching Certification

The Coaches and staff on the High School Team must have all of the Coaching, Safety and Abuse and Harassment qualifications as set out by the Hockey Canada, Hockey Alberta and Hockey Calgary.

23 Grade 12 Students

- a) Recognizing that High School Teams may include grade 12 students, a High School Team consisting of midget aged players will be permitted the use of overage players (maximum four on any one High School Team) whose:
 - i) 18th birthday occurs on or after January 1 of the calendar year immediately preceding September of the calendar year in which the student wishes to play for their High School Team
 - ii) The player was registered in and played for the High School team in the year prior to applying for overage status
 - iii) Has received approvals from HSHC, Hockey Calgary and Hockey Alberta
- b) If an overage player(s) are on the team, the High School team must inform any team(s) that they plan to play that they have an overage player on their roster. The High School team must also get approval from the tournament committee (in the case where the High School team is participating in a tournament) or the opposing team (in the case of an exhibition game) that they can use the overage player(s) in the competition.

24 Purpose and Intent

It is recognized that as High Schools expand their hockey programs, these regulations may need to be revised from time to time to assure fair and equitable treatment for all Hockey Calgary registered players. These Regulations are intended to treat, each High School, within the jurisdiction of Hockey Calgary as equitably as possible. Each High School must organize its hockey program in a manner, which is not inconsistent with these Rules.

25 Structure

High School Hockey will operate as a council of Hockey Calgary in accordance with Bylaw 26.

RULES GOVERNING RECREATIONAL HOCKEY (RHC)

Words not specifically defined in these Rules will have the meaning given to them in the Constitution, By-Laws, and Rules and Regulations of Hockey Calgary and if not defined in the Constitution, By-laws and Rules and Regulations of Hockey Calgary, then the Rules and Regulations of Hockey Alberta and Hockey Canada.

All general Rules and Regulations governing hockey apply to Recreational Hockey Association of Calgary (RHC) with the following additions:

1 Ages for Competition

Pee Wee 11 and 12 year olds

Bantam 13 and 14 year olds

Midget 15 and 16 year olds

Junior 17, 18, 19 and 20 year olds

Note: Ages as of December 31

2 Boundaries

RHC is a city wide Hockey Association. The geographical boundaries of RHC are similar to those boundaries of Minor Hockey Association of Calgary. See Community and Zone 9 maps on the RHC website.

3 Registration

- (a) All players under RHC are officially registered with Hockey Calgary through RHC.
- (b) Players who register with RHC are not allowed to register or tryout with any other Hockey Calgary Association or team while registered with RHC.
- (c) RHC allows both male and female players and goalies to play in all divisions.

4 Body Checking

- (a) All hockey played within RHC is non-body checking. No body checking is permitted. A penalty will be assessed to any player who intentionally body checks, bumps, shoves, or pushes an opposing player. When the attacking (offensive) player is skating toward the defending player, the defending player may not hit the attacking player by going in the opposite direction to that player.
- (b) "Body checking" is not the same as "body contact." There must be no action where the attacking player is pushed or shoved into the boards. It is permissible if body contact is caused as a result of the movement of the attacking player into the defending player. A defending player is permitted to "close off the gap" between the attacking player and the boards. A defending player does not have to move so as to get out of the path of the attacking player. Where, in the opinion of the Referee, accidental contact has taken place, no penalty shall be assessed.

5 Players per Team

The recommended number of players per team is:

Pee Wee 15 + 1

Midget 16 +1

Bantam 15 + 1

Junior C 17 + 1

6 Coaches

- (a) RHC does not require volunteer coaching staff to complete any qualifications or certification.
- (b) To help provide a safe and secure environment for all RHC players and to provide assurance to all those involved in RHC, RHC requires a mandatory City of Calgary Police Service (CPS) screening process for all coaches and assistant coaches volunteers. This security check will be valid for 3 years.

7 Player Movement

Normally every player must play within their respective categories. However players and goalies can be moved up or down an age category. Written (emailed) exceptions requested by parents will only be considered. This request, either for sibling involvement or skill will be considered. This request needs to be done each registration.

8 Player Release

- (a) A RHC player may be released by transfer to another team in another Association for which he/she is eligible to play up until January 10th. A player so released shall have his/her own Hockey Canada Registry profile (where applicable) forwarded to the Registrar along with the release from his/her previous team.
- (b) No player may be released by his/her team after January 10th.
- (c) A player not having registered with Hockey Calgary prior to January 10th must apply to Hockey Calgary through the President, for special permission to register with RHC providing the team with which he/she wishes to register does not have a full roster.

9 Release Policy

- (a) Any player requesting a release from RHC must first apply to Hockey Calgary for approval. The Hockey Calgary Registrar will inform the applicant of the decision after consultation with all affected Associations. Release applications are available through the Hockey Calgary website.
- (b) No player will be allowed to skate or try out in any hockey program until he/she has been properly released by Hockey Calgary as well as received any waivers, which may be required to allow him/her to play in the Association of his/her choice.

10 Eligibility for use of Affiliated Players

- (a) Affiliated players may be used in place of players registered on a team, subject to the maximum number limitations described below. Affiliated players may be used to replace injured players or players that will be absent for any reason, but not, subject to the conditions as described below, to replace players suspended by Hockey Calgary or RHC.
- (b) A player who is neither a Canadian citizen nor a landed immigrant who is registered with Hockey Calgary is ineligible to participate as an affiliate player (Hockey Canada Rule Players F 5(d) (ii)).
- (c) The maximum number of players, including affiliate players, which will be allowed to be shown on any game sheet, must not exceed the total number of players registered on the team. Teams can replace injured players and/or absent players with affiliated players to bring the team up to their roster size. The team roster size will be reduced by one for each player that is under a suspension imposed by Hockey Calgary for that game. This reduction in roster size will not be less than 11 skaters in RHC. Affiliate Players may be used only when a team has fewer than 11 skaters.
- (d) If a team's designated goaltender(s) is injured or ill, another designated goaltender from the same or a lower division may be used. Division Coordinator approval should be obtained. This rule only applies to the all age categories

- (e) Any game sheet that shows an affiliate with over 11 registered team skaters will be deemed to have used an ineligible player and subject to the sanctions of using such a player.
- (f) Players who play within RHC cannot affiliate to or play for teams within the competitive divisions (this includes Community Pee Wee, Bantam, Midget and Junior C, and Bantam AAA, Minor Midget AAA, Midget AA, Midget AAA, Junior B, High School Hockey and Female Divisions).
- (g) Players who play goal or designated goaltenders within the competitive divisions of Pee Wee, Bantam and Midget can affiliate with the permission of Hockey Calgary for the purposes of playing goal within RHC. The maximum number of games that a player or designated goaltender plays goal within RHC is unrestricted if enough goaltenders are not available within RHC. Players who play goal and designated goaltenders from teams within the competitive divisions who affiliated to RHC for the purposes of playing goal within RHC can also affiliate to one team within the competitive division as per the normal affiliation procedures set out in Community Rules 12 and 13. However, the preferred affiliate goaltender is always another goaltender already registered in RHC.

11 Procedure for use of Affiliated Players

- (a) In RHC, an "Affiliate Player" is any other player who is registered in RHC only in the same age bracket or in the next younger age bracket.
- (b) Affiliate players can only play a maximum of 5 times for another team during the season. RHC players who play in a sixth (6th) game as an affiliate for this other team will be deemed to be an ineligible player and will not be eligible to play for any team (including the one on which they were originally registered) for the balance of the season. Coaches who use an ineligible player(s) will be subject to a game suspension for each game played over the maximum of 5 games.
- (c) Games are defined for the use of affiliates as RHC scheduled league games only. All games of Minor Hockey Week and YET, coaches can not use any affiliate players except a goaltender already registered in RHC only. Violation of this rule will result in the offending team forfeiting any victory obtained while using the ineligible player(s).
- (d) When a higher division club uses an affiliated player they must signify same in writing (A/P) after the player's name on the game sheet.
- (e) When using an affiliate player, the higher team must obtain the permission of the lower team and have the sanction of the Division Coordinator indicated on the game sheet on which the affiliated player's name appears. Failure to obtain permission to use the affiliate player or to obtain the sanction of the Division Coordinator may result in the Coach of the higher team receiving a one game suspension.
- (f) A team may "loan" their opponent a player or two when one team has a full bench and the other is short. Please inform the Referees before doing so. All loaned players must have (A/P) after the player's name on the game sheet and a short note attached to the email game sheet explaining the situation.
- (e) Players not registered with Hockey Calgary will at no time be allowed to play as an affiliate player.

12 Short Bench for both Teams

- (a) Teams may choose to play "4 on 4" by agreement of the Coaches involved. Short teams must have eight (or fewer than eight) skaters. Please inform the Referees before doing so.
- (b) When a team is short a Goaltender, the teams can share playing time of the Goaltender on an equal basis or play with 1 additional player.

13 Ineligible Players

- (a) An ineligible player may be classified as, but not restricted to, the following:
 1. A player who is improperly registered with Hockey Calgary. It is the RHC's and individual team's responsibility, to make certain that all players are properly registered.
 2. A suspended player.
 3. A player who has not been properly released as per the release policy and procedures of Hockey Calgary.
 4. A player deemed to be ineligible as defined under the rules of Hockey Calgary.
- (b) A Coach or Manager who plays an ineligible player will be immediately suspended until his/her case has been dealt with by RHC and Hockey Calgary. If any team official, executive member of a team or of an association has knowledge of, or adds an unregistered or ineligible players name to the game sheet, they shall be suspended for a period of not less than three years from playing or holding office with any team, club or association. For a team or their Hockey Association to invoke this rule, they must utilize the protest procedures outlined in Community 24.
- (c) All games played using an ineligible player may be forfeited.
- (d) If a Coach or Manager asks to examine an opposing team's HCR Team Sheet prior to completion of the game and they are not at hand, they must be produced before the end of the game. Failure to do so could mean forfeiture of the game.

14 Officials

- (a) During league games, Minor Hockey Week and YET, all RHC officials will be assigned by Central Zone Referee Committee.
- (b) Teams must supply off ice officials. The home team supplies the game timekeeper, and visiting team the scorekeeper.
- (c) Any complaints about referees or off ice officials by coaches, players or parents must be sent to the Association President for approval and onward delivery to Hockey Calgary for appropriate action.
- (d) All off ice officials are responsible for conducting their duties in a manner that displays sportsmanship and shows fair play and respect to all participants. As neutral off ice officials assisting the referee in proper conduct of the game they are significant contributors to the management of the game. Should their behavior warrant disciplinary action they may be relieved of their duties by the referee or other Hockey Calgary Official?

15 Fair Play

- (a) RHC expects all players, parents, coaches and any other people that attend RHC games or functions to behave in a socially acceptable manner that supports the Mission and Objectives of the RHC hockey program and to act as a positive role model for all RHC players.
- (b) RHC supports the FAIR PLAY CODES programs of Hockey Canada and Hockey Calgary.
- (c) By registering or volunteering in RHC, players along with coaches, parents, directors, spectators, have accepted their Fair Play pledge.
- (d) Regardless of whether a form is signed, all members (coaches, players, officials, parents, directors and spectators) are still subject to the consequences for unacceptable behavior.
- (e) The Board of Directors reserves the right to suspend a player, coach and/or parent from RHC who has violated the Hockey Calgary "Fair Play Pledge".

16 Suspension Guidelines

- (a) All RHC players and coaching staff will be subject to the same suspension process and rules that apply to all other teams and associations registered with Hockey Calgary. Hockey Calgary has suspension guidelines which may apply in specific situations. They all apply to RHC.
- (b) Coaches and player suspensions carry over into the next regular season if not fully served in the previous season.
- (c) Division Coordinators have the authority to alter or issue suspensions on an individual basis. Division Coordinators along with the Discipline Committee also have the right to issue suspensions or remove players or spectators based on an unusually high amount of total penalties or exceptional deviation from the spirit and philosophy of RHC.
- (d) Coaches will be notified by the Division Coordinator about a player's suspension after the Discipline Committee has discussed the matter. The Discipline Committee should have a decision before the next scheduled league game.
- (e) Coaches are expected to notify parents and player of any major disciplinary action taken against their child
- (f) It is the responsibility of each team coach to ensure their players sit out their appropriate suspensions. When in doubt as to the relevant suspension, contact your Division Coordinator
- (g) Players accumulating the following penalty totals will be suspended as shown. All suspensions that are not fully served in this season will carry forward into the next season.
 - Any major penalty: 2 games
 - Any match penalty: 5 games
 - First fighting major: 3 games
 - Second fighting major: Balance of the season
 - Any 3 penalties in one game: Ejection from the game
 - Total of 10 penalties in season: Suspended for one game
 - Total of 20 penalties in season: Suspended for two games
 - Total of 25 penalties in season: Reviewed by Division Coordinator
- (h) A game misconduct in the last 10 minutes of a game will result in a one game suspension.

17 Appeal of Suspensions

- (a) Suspensions issued by RHC or other Hockey Calgary officials that are a result of a referee's judgment call and follow the Minimum Suspension Guidelines will not be reviewed.
- (b) The appeal of a suspension that is greater in duration than the minimum suspension for a particular offence (as indicated by the Minimum Suspensions for Hockey Calgary) can be filed in writing to the Vice President of RHC (or his/her designate) who will send it on to Hockey Calgary. The appeal must be sent within 48 hours of notification of suspension being assessed. The appeal process must follow the guidelines set up by Hockey Calgary.

18 Length of Games

Permit Length of periods 1, 2 and 3

1 hour permit 12, 15 and 15 minutes

1 ¼ hour permit 15, 15 and 15 minutes

Note:

- i. All games are stop time.
- ii. No time outs permitted.
- iii. There will be a 3-minute warm-up before each game.
- iv. No floods between periods.
- v. For games of 1 hour and 1 1/4 hour duration, players will not leave the ice between periods.
- vi. Hockey Calgary reserves the right to make special changes to the number and length of periods. The respective League Chairperson/League Coordinator will duly notify teams of such changes.
- vii. No game will exceed the permit time. If undue delays occur for any reason and the game cannot be completed within the permit time, the following procedure will be followed:
 - a) At the first stoppage of play after time reaches 5 minutes left on the permit, the timekeeper will notify the referee.
 - b) At this stoppage of play the clock will be reset to 2 minutes and the remainder of the game completed with stop time.

19 Penalties

- (a) Players receiving 3 penalties of any type in any game will be immediately ejected from the game. The game sheet will note the player and this event as a GE (Game Ejection) with the time.
- (b) A 10 minute misconduct in the last 10 minutes of a game will be reviewed by the Division Coordinator and will normally require the player to serve the unexpired portion of the 10 minutes by sitting in the penalty box at the start of the player's next game. The game sheet for the next game that the player attends shall note the completion of the penalty. It is the responsibility of the coach and player to make sure this time is served and completed.

20 Schedule Changes

- (a) The RHC or coaches may not reschedule games. Only under exceptional circumstances can application be made to Hockey Calgary in writing, for permission to have Hockey Calgary reschedule a game. It should be noted that games could only be rescheduled with the approval of the Category Governor, President or Chairperson of the Hockey Committee and the Hockey Calgary office.
- (b) All league play must be finalized by the last scheduled game, unless otherwise extended by the Hockey Calgary Executive.
- (c) Hockey Calgary reserves the right to refuse any or all requests.

21 Team Management

- (a) Each team shall have in their player's box a responsible person not in uniform (no more than five) to coach and look after and take responsibility for the team during the game. Rule 9.2 of the Hockey Canada Rule Book must be rigidly adhered to. This rule states: Team officials shall be responsible for their conduct

and that of their players at all times. They must endeavor to prevent disorderly conduct before, during or after the game, on or off the ice and any place in the rink.

- (b) Further to Hockey Canada Rule 9.2, the Head Coach will be responsible to ensure there are at least one and preferably two responsible adults in the team dressing room before and after each ice time. They will endeavor to prevent disorderly conduct, bullying and vandalism in any form. These adults may be any team official or adult selected by the Head Coach. Failure to comply with this supervision may result in the suspension of the head coach for a period of at least one game. Any adult found complicit with any undesirable activity will be suspended for a period of at least one year. This applies within all five streams of Hockey Calgary sanctioned hockey
- (c) From the age category of Pee Wee and older, separate change facilities must be utilized by all female players (or male players if they are in the minority) before and after all ice times. They may join their teammates in the dressing room after all players have completely changed. Failure to comply with this rule may result in suspension of the head coach for a period of at least one game.
- (d) The use of cameras, video equipment and camera phones are strictly prohibited in the team dressing rooms at any time.

22 Division Coordinator

- (a) It will be their duty to supervise and direct the conduct of the teams, coaches and players coming under their jurisdiction. They have the authority to discipline any team official or player who contravenes any of the rules and regulations established by Hockey Calgary and the RHC Board. They may also deal (in liaison with the RHC Discipline Committee Chairman) with any RHC team, who in their opinion is guilty of unbecoming conduct.
- (b) They at no time should enter the referee's room during a game unless invited. If they have a complaint against an official, they should put it in writing and send it to the RHC President with a copy to the RHC Vice-President.
- (c) They may suspend, with the concurrence of the RHC Discipline Committee, a coach, player, parent or spectator.
- (d) They are obligated to attend RHC Board meetings to give a report of the events associated with their Division. If they are unable to attend RHC Board meetings they must file a report with the RHC Secretary.
- (e) The Division Coordinator shall enforce Hockey Canada, Hockey Alberta, and Hockey Calgary rules, consistently, firmly but fairly.

23 End of Game Etiquette

- (a) At the completion of each hockey game teams should participate in a post game handshake. In games where the referee determines that a post game handshake will not be used the home team must stay on the ice at their box until the visiting team is off.
- (b) At the completion of each hockey game teams should participate in a post game handshake with the referees.

24 Score Sheets

- (a) Score sheets and any incident reports for all league, Minor Hockey Week or YET games must be forwarded by either fax, email or scan within 24 hours of a game being completed, to the appropriate Division Coordinator.
- (b) League score sheets are to be forwarded to the Division Coordinator by the winning team, or the home team in the case of a tie.

- (c) Only referees are allowed to write reports on the score sheet.
- (d) First and last names must be clearly legible on the team labels provided for the team line up.
- (e) All coaches are to ensure that the volunteers selected to complete the game sheet does so in a manner that ensures they are legible and accurate. RHC will either provides guidelines for the completion of game sheets at the beginning of the season via a meeting or information posted on the RHC website. Accurate and timely information is important to the proper administration and management of the league, including management of disciplinary actions of participants.

25 Year End Tournament (YET)

- (a) RHC does not hold playoffs at the end of a season but does hold an in house Year End Tournament (YET).
- (b) During the YET, the Division Coordinator will handle all protests, complaints and suspensions.
- (c) All teams in each division of Pee Wee, Bantam, Midget and Junior will enter YET and will be seeded based on the final season competitiveness.
- (d) All YET rules are posted on the RHC website.

26 Structure

RHC will operate as a council of Hockey Calgary in accordance with Bylaw 26.

FAIR PLAY CODES

PLAYERS

- I will play hockey because I want to, not just because others or coaches want me to.
- I will play by the rules of hockey, and in the spirit of the game.
- I will control my temper – fighting and “mouthing off” can spoil the activity for everybody.
- I will respect my opponents.
- I will do my best to be a true team player.
- I will remember that winning isn’t everything – that having fun, improving skills, making friends and doing my best are also important.
- I will acknowledge all good plays/ performances – those of my team and of my opponents.
- I will remember that coaches and officials are there to help me. I will accept their decisions and show them respect.

PARENTS

- I will not force my child to participate in hockey.
- I will remember that my child plays hockey for his or her enjoyment, not for mine.
- I will encourage my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
- I will teach my child that doing one’s best is as important as winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game.
- I will make my child feel like a winner every time by offering praise for competing fairly and trying hard.
- I will never ridicule or yell at my child for making a mistake or losing a game.
- I will remember that children learn best by example. I will applaud good plays/ performances by both my child’s team and their opponents.
- I will never question the officials’ judgment or honesty in public.
- I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from children’s hockey games.
- I will respect and show appreciation for the volunteer coaches who give their time to coach hockey for my child.

COACHES

- I will be reasonable when scheduling games and practices, remembering that players have other interests and obligations.
- I will teach my players to play fairly and to respect the rules, officials and opponents.
- I will ensure that all players get equal instruction, support and playing time.
- I will not ridicule or yell at my players for making mistakes or for performing poorly. I will remember that players play to have fun and must be encouraged to have confidence in themselves.
- I will make sure that equipment and facilities are safe and match the players' ages and abilities.
- I will remember that participants need a coach they can respect. I will be generous with praise and set a good example.
- I will obtain proper training and continue to upgrade my coaching skills.
- I will work in cooperation with officials for the benefit of the game.

OFFICIALS

- I will make sure that every player has a reasonable opportunity to perform to the best of his or her ability, within the limits of the rules.
- I will avoid or put an end to any situation that threatens the safety of the players.
- I will maintain a healthy atmosphere and environment for competition.
- I will not permit the intimidation of any player either by word or by action. I will not tolerate unacceptable conduct toward myself, other officials, players, or spectators.
- I will be consistent and objective in calling all infractions, regardless of my personal feelings toward a team or individual player.
- I will handle all conflicts firmly but with dignity.
- I accept my role as a teacher and role model for fair play, especially with young participants.
- I will be open to discussion and contact with the players before and after the game.
- I will remain open to constructive criticism and show respect and consideration for different points of view.
- I will obtain proper training and continue to upgrade my officiating skills.
- I will work in cooperation with coaches for the benefit of the game.

SPECTATORS

- I will remember that participants play hockey for their enjoyment. They are not playing to entertain me.
- I will not have unrealistic expectations. I will remember that players are not professionals and cannot be judged by professional standards.
- I will respect the officials' decisions and I will encourage participants to do the same.
- I will never ridicule a player for making a mistake during a game. I will give positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort.
- I will condemn the use of violence in any form and will express my disapproval in an appropriate manner to coaches and league officials.
- I will show respect for my team's opponents, because without them there would be no game.
- I will not use bad language, nor will I harass players, coaches, officials or other spectators.

LEAGUE ORGANIZERS

- I will do my best to see that all players are given the same chance to participate, regardless of gender, ability, ethnic background or race.
- I will absolutely discourage any sport program from becoming primarily an entertainment for the spectator.
- I will make sure that all equipment and facilities are safe and match the athletes' ages and abilities.
- I will make sure that the age and maturing level of the participants are considered in program development, rule enforcement and scheduling.
- I will remember that play is done for its own sake and make sure that winning is kept in proper perspective.
- I will distribute the fair play codes to spectators, coaches, athletes, officials, parents and media.
- I will make sure that coaches and officials are capable of promoting fair play as well as the development of good technical skills and I will encourage them to become certified.

FAIR PLAY CODE POLICY FOR COACHES

The fair play codes are set out in Hockey Canada's booklet *Safety Requires Teamwork – An information guide to Hockey Canada's Risk Management and National Insurance Programs*. The fair play codes are a set of guidelines for players, coaches, parents, officials, spectators and league organizers set out to promote positive hockey experiences. Fair play is important from a developmental perspective as well as from a risk management perspective.

It is the policy of the Hockey Calgary that the Fair Play Codes be followed by all member associations affiliated with Hockey Calgary including Elite, Community, Girls Hockey, Recreational Hockey and High School Hockey.

For the most part the fair play codes are clear. However, for coaches there is a provision, which states, "I will ensure that all players get equal instruction, support and playing time." The use of the term "equal" is generally understood. However, there is a tendency among a small minority to mis-interpret the term "equal" with "earned" or "fair" which allows for entirely different interpretations of the intentions of the fair play codes. Some individuals will acknowledge that the fair play codes apply and then claim you can shorten the bench in the last five minutes of a game, in a tight situation or in playoffs. Allowing variances in the interpretation of fair play only increases a broader degree of confusion for the rules of minor hockey.

Fair play is intended to allow all players an equal opportunity to develop their skills in Hockey. Development occurs in both practice and game situations. And within the game itself, there are different situations where each player should be afforded the opportunity to develop his or her skills, whether it is power play, penalty kill, playoffs or tournaments.

The following policy respecting ice time is intended to ensure a consistent application of the fair play codes throughout the Hockey Calgary network with an emphasis to ensure all players are provided equal opportunity to develop his or her hockey skills in every game situation. The policy applies to Elite Hockey, Community Hockey, Girls Hockey, Recreational Hockey and High School Hockey.

FAIR PLAY POLICY RELATING TO COACHES

The head coach is responsible for allocating more or less playing time to individual athlete members in any particular game but should ensure that over two to three games the playing time per athlete member is relatively equal. This includes all games and practices, home or away, exhibition, regular season, playoff or tournament. This policy applies to all levels of hockey administered under Hockey Calgary including Elite Hockey, Community Hockey, Girls Hockey, Recreational Hockey and High School Hockey.

The following policies should be reviewed and followed by all coaches and the principals of fair play openly communicated by all Member Organizations and Hockey Calgary to its members and directors.

Goalies

A regular rotation for goalies should be strived for throughout the hockey season that will result in an equal number of games played by each team goalie. The rotation is subject to changes in the event of injuries or sickness.

A one game rotation of goalies should occur during all playoff, Minor Hockey Week, exhibition and Tournament Play.

Players

A regular rotation of players should be strived for at their playing position throughout a game including power play and penalty killing, noting that the game includes the last five minutes and overtime. Each team should designate playing positions; defense, left wing, right wing, centre and no team should have a dis-proportionate number of designated forwards for a game (i.e. if there are five left wingers and three right wingers, one of the left wingers should become a right winger). If there are ten forwards and five defencemen, then one of the forwards should play defence.

For those coaches wishing to utilize a special teams unit for either power play or penalty killing, those coaches, as a tool for themselves, should establish a listing (Special Teams Log) of their designated units for each five game (or shorter) rotation. Such listing to show each player receiving an equal participation on those designated units. It is recommended that those listings be kept by the coach for the duration of the season.

Coaches choosing not to maintain a Special Teams Log should not utilize a separate power play or penalty killing unit for games. The power plays or penalty killing lines should simply be the next line in the regular rotation.

Junior B & C Team Rosters

Junior B or C teams with rosters in excess of the maximum allowable playing positions should establish a rotation of players that will be required to sit out of the line-up in those situations where healthy scratches are required. The rotation should result in all players taking a turn as a healthy scratch if a sufficient number of healthy scratches are required.

Affiliates

Teams are encouraged to bring up affiliated goalies in order to ensure the team has a back-up goalie for each game. It is the coach's discretion as to whether an affiliate goalie plays or not, however, in extended situations where an affiliate is required, the regular team goalie should not receive less game time than what the regular rotation would have provided.

If a team chooses to bring up an affiliate it is recommended teams do not bring up affiliated defencemen that would provide a contingent greater than six for each game or affiliated forwards that would provide a contingent greater than nine forwards for each game.

Teams must recognize Hockey Calgary rules restricting the number of affiliations and not increase the team size to greater than the team roster.

Player Discipline

Coaches should use discretion to sit a player for the first period, or portion thereof, of a game in the event a player has developed a habit of missing practices within a set reasonable limit or arriving late for games. The requirements to sit a player should be documented and if repeated occurrences are considered necessary, the reasons should be reported to league administrators.

Coaches should have the discretion to sit a player for a period, or portion thereof, for objectionable conduct of the player (Swearing, inappropriate hits).

All coaches wishing to implement "team rules" should submit those "team rules" to their member association for approval by the Governor responsible for hockey operations. "Team Rules" should be reasonable and respect the varying needs of all players.

Fair Play Discipline

Every Hockey Calgary Member Organization should have a Director responsible for games and conduct. All parent's or player's that feel that the fair play codes for their team is not been adhered to are encouraged to discuss their concerns with the coach on a private basis.

Should the concerns of the parent or player not be addressed or satisfied then the parent or player should feel comfortable reporting such non-compliance to the Director responsible for Game and Conduct for their Member Organization.

Each Member Organization should establish internal policies and procedures to ensure full compliance with the fair play policy by all coaches.

Only after an individual has exhausted all avenues of appeal within their Member Organization should that individual raise such issues with Hockey Calgary.

Coaches found not to be compliant with the fair play policy will receive a warning for the first offence.

Coaches found not to be compliant on a second occasion will receive a one game suspension.

Coaches found not to be compliant on a third occasion will receive a three game suspension.

Coaches found not to be compliant on a fourth occasion do not share the core values of the Hockey Calgary and will receive an indefinite suspension from coaching minor hockey in Calgary until a hearing has determined otherwise.

ARENAS

Acadia Recreation Centre	ACA	240 90 Avenue SE
Airdrie - Plainsman	APL	310 Centre Avenue
Bowness Sportsplex	BOW	7809 43 Avenue NW
Brentwood Sportsplex	BRE	Northmount Drive & 35 Street NW
Flames Community Arena - Blue	FCB	2390 47 Avenue SW
Flames Community Arena - Gold	FCG	2390 47 Avenue SW
Cardel Place East	CPE	11950 Country Village Link NE
Cardel Place West	CPW	11950 Country Village Link NE
Crowchild - Blue	CRB	185 Scenic Acres Drive NW
Crowchild - Red	CRR	185 Scenic Acres Drive NW
Crowfoot	CRT	8080 John Laurie Boulevard NW
East Calgary - Blue	ECB	299 Erinwoods Drive SE
East Calgary - Red	ECR	299 Erinwoods Drive SE
Ed Whalen	EDW	2000 Southland Drive SW
Ernie Starr	ERN	4808 14 Avenue SE
Fairview	FAI	8038 Fairmount Drive SE
Trico Centre 1 - TC1	TC1	(formerly Family Leisure Centre) 11150 Bonaventure Drive SE
Trico Centre 2 - TC2	TC2	11150 Bonaventure Drive SE
Father David Bauer	FDB	2424 University Drive NW
Frank McCool	FRA	1900 Lake Bonavista Drive SE
George Blundun	GEO	5020 26 Avenue SW
Henry Viney	HEN	810 13 Avenue NE
Huntington Hills	HUN	520 78 Avenue NW
Jack Setters	JAC	69 Avenue & 20A Street SE
Joe Kryczka	JOE	2000 Southland Drive SW
Kyle Stuart	KSA	33055 Township Road 250
Lake Bonavista	LAK	1401 Acadia Drive SE
Max Bell Centre	MAX	1001 Barlow Trail SE
Max Bell Centre 2	MB2	1001 Barlow Trail SE
Murray Copot	MUR	6715 Centre Street North
Norma Bush	NOR	2424 University Drive NW
Northeast Sportsplex East Don Hartman Arena	NSE	5206 68 Street NE
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Oakridge	OAK	9504 Oakfield Drive SW

Optimist	OPT	5020 26 Avenue SW
Provident Energy Arena	PEA	33055 Township Road 250
Rose Kohn	ROS	502 Heritage Drive SW
Sarcee Seven Chiefs	SAR	3700 Anderson Road SW
Shouldice	SHO	1515 Home Road NW
South Fish Creek Arenas	SF1, SF2, SF3 & SF4	100, 333 Shawville Boulevard SE
Springbank - Joe Phillips	SPJ	
Springbank - Red Dutton	SPR	2.5 km south of Calaway Park exit on Trans Canada Hwy
Stew Hendry	STW	810 13 Avenue NE
Stu Peppard	PEP	5300 19 Street SW
Thorncliffe/Greenview	THO	5600 Centre Street North
Triwood	TRI	2244 Chicoutimi Drive NW
Village Square 1	VS1	2623 56 Street NE
Village Square 2	VS2	2623 56 Street NE
West Hillhurst	WHT	1940 6 Avenue NW
West Mount Pleasant	WMP	2408 6 Street NW
Westside Recreation Centre	WES	2000 69 Street SW
WinSport	WSA, WSB, WSC & WSD	88 Canada Olympic Road SW

PAST PRESIDENTS

1948-50	Stu Peppard
1950-53	Rose Kohn
Not known	Tom Lynch
1968-71	Jack Setters
1971-74	George Cooke
1974-75	Ken Craig
1975-77	Murray Copot
1977-78	Vance Peters
1978-79	Grant Richards
1979-81	Bob Landry
1981-84	Ken McIntosh
1984-85	Martin Blake
1985-89	Ray Hostland
1989-93	Val McGeachie
1993-97	Dave Peterson
1997-99	Bob Padget
1999-04	Robin Mann
2004-07	Ken Moore
2007-11	Perry Cavanagh

PLAYING RULES

