HOCKEY CALGARY

REGULATIONS HANDBOOK

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The Minor Hockey Association of Calgary (Hockey Calgary) is committed to the development of amateur hockey within the Calgary region, as defined by the Hockey Calgary Registration Policy. Our objective is to provide a positive and enjoyable hockey environment for players, coaches, managers, officials, parents, and administrators, while promoting sportsmanship, respect, and character development through participation in the game.

Hockey Calgary may, from time to time, introduce programs and initiatives designed to enhance the overall hockey experience for all participants. Programs such as The Shift Forward: Evolving Hockey Culture, introduced by Hockey Canada and supported by Hockey Alberta and Hockey Calgary, are intended to strengthen the culture of the game and support a safe, respectful environment. All players, parents, coaches, managers, and administrators are encouraged to become familiar with these programs and any others introduced by Hockey Calgary, Hockey Alberta, and Hockey Canada.

If you have questions, require clarification regarding the rules and regulations, or need additional information about Hockey Calgary programs, please contact the Hockey Calgary office at (403) 245-5773 or visit www.hockeycalgary.com.

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OUR MANDATE

PROVIDE A POSITIVE YOUTH SPORTING EXPERIENCE THROUGH HOCKEY BY ENGAGING AND LEADING OUR VOLUNTEER DRIVEN MEMBERSHIP.

OUR CORE VALUES

CONSISTENCY
FUN
ACCOUNTABLE
SPORTSMANSHIP
SAFETY
RESPECT
COLLABORATIVE
INCLUSIVE

THROUGH OUR MEMBERSHIP, WE PROMOTE:

ACCESS
DEVELOPMENT
FUN
INCLUSIVITY
LIFE SKILLS
SAFETY

OUR STRATEGIES

GROW THE GAME
ENHANCE COMMUNICATION
ELEVATE EXPERIENCE
STRENGTHEN PARTNERSHIPS

HOCKEY CALGARY

COMMUNICATION FLOWCHART

CANADA

A CLEAR PATH FOR RESPECTFUL COMMUNICATION

PARENT/PLAYERS

COACH/MANAGER

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Category Director, Game & Conduct Coordinator

HOCKEY CALGARY

League Chair

HOCKEY CALGARY

Age Category Governor
Council Chair, Director of Game & Conduct

HOCKEY CALGARY

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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 Hockey Calgary Rules and Regulations as well as other Policies and Procedures.

1 Ages for Competition

Age Category	Age
U5	4 year olds (offered by select member clubs)
U7 (Timbits)	5 and 6 year olds
U9	7 and 8 year olds
U11	9 and 10 year olds
U13	11 and 12 year olds
U15	13 and 14 year olds
U18	15, 16, and 17 year olds
U21*	18, 19, and 20 year olds
Recreational League	11 through 20 year olds

Note: Ages as of December 31st

* Each team may register a maximum of four (4) overage players, who must have been registered with the team in the previous season.

2 Residential Qualifications

(a) Teams based in the Calgary Region are restricted to registering only players who meet the residential qualifications as set out below and in the HC Registration Policy.

(b) All minor aged players (4 to 17 years old as of December 31st in the current playing year) must be permanent residents of the Calgary Region,or any Association from outside the Calgary Region which, at the sole discretion 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 as of September 1st of the playing season. 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, their 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: the term "usual residence" is defined as four (4) out of seven (7) days.

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 their legal guardian as defined under the Domestic Relations Act or the Child Welfare Act. Such player must have resided within the boundaries of the Calgary Region 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 U21 aged players (18 years or older as of December 31st in the current playing year) must be permanent residents of the Calgary Region, or any Association from outside the Calgary Region, which, at the sole discretion of Hockey Calgary, have been admitted for membership for a limited time. A U21 aged player is expected to play with a team representing their Community or Elite Hockey Club in which such player legally resides or is qualified to play. A release is required to play in another Member Club.

(e) A minor aged player whose parents have joint custody and reside in different Elite or Community, Hockey Club boundaries shall continue to register in the Elite or Community Hockey Club where they registered the previous season provided one parent still resides within the boundaries of that Member Club. If neither parent resides within the boundaries of the previously registered Elite or Community Hockey Club, then the player shall register with a Member Club where one of the parents reside. NOTE: If a player attends tryouts for Elite hockey and does not make a team then they shall be deemed to be resident of the Community Hockey Club where their parent lives that was used for Elite tryout registration.

(f) 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 the Calgary Region for a period less than six months (either before or after the date of registration) may not be eligible to register with Hockey Calgary at the sole discretion of Hockey Calgary.

(g) Any player of minor aged eligibility who transfers due to a custody change or moves without parent may not, in the first season after that change has occurred, register or affiliate to a team that could earn the right to participate in a Hockey Canada Regional or National Championship.

3 Player Registration

Please refer to the Registration Policy at www.hockeycalgary.com.

4 Coaching Requirements

(a) All teams in Hockey Calgary are required to have registered and trained coaches and bench staff in accordance with Hockey Calgary Coach Requirements by November 15th of the playing season.

(b) All teams will have their team registration revoked unless the head coach assigned to the team is appropriately trained or is registered to be properly qualified by November 15th.

(c) If a team is naming Co-Head Coaches, both Coaches must possess the Minimum Coaching Qualifications for that age category.

Clarification of Terms

Trained – 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. (applicable for Development 1 & 2 and High Performance 1 & 2)

5 Hockey Alberta Coaching Requirements

IMPORTANT INFORMATION		
The Shift Forward	Must be completed prior to registration to a team (cannot be on ice without valid certification). Must renew every 4 years. Recertification may be required as a result of disciplinary measures.	
November 15th	Deadline for coaches to have qualifications complete (except Shift Forward – see above). Team is ineligible to compete after this date if Coach requirements are not fulfilled.	
Assistant Coaches	Highly recommended to obtain training of what is required for Head Coaches in applicable level.	
Development 1 & High Performance 1	Coaches must be "***trained***" by November 15th of current season, by following seasons November 15th must be "***certified***" to remain eligible.	
	Trained = attended classroom session	***Certified*** = passed all post task evaluations

6 Vulnerable Sector Check

All coaches, bench staff, officials, volunteers, and anyone in a position of trust or authority over minor participants must complete a Criminal Record Check with Vulnerable Sector Screening prior to participating in Hockey Calgary programs. Please refer to the VSC policy on www.hockeycalgary.com.

7 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) In U11 and up, at least one registered team official, and in U7 and U9, at least one registered team official for every ten registered players must hold a valid Hockey Canada Safety Program Certification by November 15th of the current playing season and must be present at all ice times.

(b) The HCSP certification is valid for 3 seasons.

8 The Shift Forward: Evolving Hockey Culture

(c) In all divisions, one parent or guardian of each registered minor player must hold a current Shift Forward certification before registration. Certification is valid for four (4) seasons. This requirement does not apply to parents of players in U21 C and U21 B who are no longer minors. Proof of completion must appear on the player's Hockey Canada Registry profile.

(d) All registered team officials must complete the Shift Forward – Coach Program. Proof of completion must appear on the team official's registration in the Hockey Canada Registry.

(e) Recertification may be required as a disciplinary measure.

9 Dressing Room Policy: Rule of Two

To best ensure safety for all participants, all minor hockey programs sanctioned by Hockey Canada and its Members are required to implement the 'Rule of Two' for all dressing rooms. The 'Rule of Two' requires two trained and screened adults to be present in the dressing room or immediately outside the dressing room with the door propped open to monitor the environment and ensure it is free of any discrimination, harassment, bullying, or other forms of maltreatment. The Rule of Two remains in place when showers are in use.

10 Safe Checking Program

Hockey Calgary Leagues have adopted a safe checking program for all age categories and Divisions within the Calgary Region. 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 a team participating in a Hockey Calgary League must wear the "Stop" or "Respect" logo on the back of their 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.

11 Equipment

Helmets

(a) Any coach, or trainer, including guest coaches who are on the ice at practice must wear a CSA approved hockey helmet affixed and securely fastened to their head.

(b) All players while on the players and/or penalty bench must wear their certified helmet and facial protector. Any goaltender on the bench, at a minimum, is required to properly wear the same protective head equipment as the players.

(c) Players may remove their helmet during the playing of the national anthem(s).

Throat Protectors

(a) The wearing of a BNQ approved throat protector is compulsory for all players, including U21 C & U21 B. 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 a warning and any subsequent infractions by the same team will result in a 10-minute Misconduct to the subsequent player. Referees are encouraged to deliver this warning directly to the coach.

(b) All players 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 the players.

Mouth Guards

(a) The use of a mouth guard is mandatory for all players except goaltenders from U9 to U21. The mouth

guard must be worn during all games and practices.

(b) Coaches are responsible for monitoring their players for the use of mouth guards for the purpose of minimizing dental and mouth injuries. If a team continues to disregard this regulation, additional sanctions may be put in place for the Head Coach and/or team.

(c) Teams from outside of Calgary who are not required to wear mouth guards in their home Association are exempt from wearing them while playing in games that have been sanctioned by Hockey Calgary.

(d) Requests for mouth guard exemption can be made to Hockey Calgary via the Member Club

Jerseys

(a) In Community and Female, the home team will wear dark jerseys.

(b) **Use of Third Jersey**: Whenever alternate or third jerseys are worn, game sheets must be updated to ensure exact correspondence with the numbers worn on the ice. Failure to do so may result in coach suspension.

12 Official Game Rosters

(a) Community, Female, and RHC Teams are permitted to dress players up to their registered roster size (affiliates registered to the team are not included in this total) for any given Hockey Calgary sanctioned game.

(b) U9-U21 Teams are permitted to use affiliation for any Exhibition or Tournament game to bring their team up to the maximum permitted roster size of eighteen (18) skaters and two goaltenders, regardless of their original roster size.

(c) Only players in uniform and a maximum of five team officials shall be permitted to occupy the players' bench. These individuals shall be registered and entered on the Official Game Report. A maximum of five team officials may be recorded on the Official Game Report.

(d) In Community and Female, a player that is registered to a team roster but unable to participate in a game due to injury is permitted to take a position on the bench during the game, as long as they are listed as a player in uniform on the official game report and wearing the minimum equipment of a BNQ throat protector (minor and female), CSA approved Helmet and CSA facial protector, in accordance with the requirements for their registered category of play. In these instances, this player cannot be replaced by an affiliated player.

13 Officials & Team Officials

Team Officials are defined as any individual who becomes rostered to a team including Coaches, Managers, Safety Person(s), and Equipment Managers.

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

(a) All major officials (referees and/or linesperson) will be assigned by the Central Region Referees' Committee (CRRC) in cooperation with Hockey Calgary. The referee's duties are described in the Referee's Case Book/Combination from Hockey Canada. (Note: in a 2-ref system, the referees have equal status).

(b) Except for U9 and Elite Hockey, each team must supply two off-ice officials for all 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.

i) In U9, the home team will supply two off-ice officials, and the visiting team will supply one off-ice official. Home Team will be responsible for the Timekeeper and Scorekeeper 1; the Visiting team will be responsible for Scorekeeper 2.

ii) In U13 AA, U13 AAA, U15 AA, U15 AAA, U16 AA, U16 AAA, U18 AA, U18 AAA and U21 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. The minimum age requirement for off-ice officials is 14 years for all divisions; however, for the U18 division, the minimum age is 16 years.

(d) A suspended off-ice official is not permitted in the arena or adjoining building to the arena while they are 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.

(e) Any off-ice official who is removed pursuant to this regulation will not be allowed to continue their duties as an off-ice official for the remainder of the season.

(f) Any complaints about referees or other major officials by coaches, managers, players, or spectators must be sent to the Member Club President for endorsement and onward delivery to Hockey Calgary for possible action.

14 Governors and League Chairs

(a) It will be the duty of the Governor and League Chair to supervise and direct the conduct of the teams, managers, coaches, players, and spectators coming under their jurisdiction. They have 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) Referees are in care and control of the game. League Chairs do not have the ability to intervene in the on ice component of the game while the game is being played.

(c) A Category Governor or other Hockey Calgary official may deal with anyone associated with a Hockey Calgary registered team who, in their opinion, is guilty of conduct unbecoming the game of hockey. They may suspend a team, team official, player, off-ice official, or spectator for up to five games. Any suspension that might warrant longer duration will be referred to the Game and Conduct Committee for judgment.

(d) A Category Governor, League Chair, 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 an arena if in their 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.

15 Spectator Etiquette

Spectators are asked to enjoy the game in a manner consistent with the Hockey Calgary Fair Play Codes (see table of contents for location). In addition, please note the following:

(a) The use of excessive artificial noise-making devices including air horns, megaphones, is not permitted.

(b) Verbal/physical abuse of players, officials, fans, or staff may result in ejection from the arena.

(c) Spectators should refrain from banging on the glass.

16 Overtime

No overtime will be played in seeding round or regular season league games, including the Calgary U21 Hockey League. In the event of a tied seeding or league game, one (1) point will be awarded to each team.

17 Cancellation of Games & Game Rescheduling

a) Further to the Hockey Canada Official Playing Rules: "A minimum of six eligible players in uniform (not necessarily including a goaltender) on each team is required to start a game."

b) If a team does not appear for a scheduled game, the attending team must complete the official game report, have the referee sign it, and immediately call the League Chair or Coordinator to explain the situation. Unless the absence is caused by an unavoidable accident or unforeseen circumstance, the manager, coach, team official, and/or players responsible may face immediate disciplinary action.

c) A game **may** be considered for rescheduling only if the following conditions are met:

   a. Fewer than two (2) periods have been completed.

d) Hockey Calgary has sole authority to approve or deny any rescheduling request and to make the final decision on all rescheduling matters.

e) Rescheduling requests must be submitted promptly to the League Chair or the designated Hockey Calgary representative.

f) Any agreed rescheduled date must be confirmed by Hockey Calgary before it is considered official.

g) Games that do not meet these criteria will be considered complete as played, and results and standings will be updated accordingly.

18 Member Club Exhibition and Tournament Games

(a) A permit or sanction is required before participating in any exhibition or tournament game.

(b) Exhibition Games:

   i) Hosted by Hockey Calgary Team: Team Official from the Home team must complete a 'Play an Exhibition Game' form.

      a. If the game takes place in Central Region Referees' Committee jurisdiction, the sanction is officially approved, and teams are notified, after on-ice officials have been assigned.

   ii) Hosted by Non-Hockey Calgary Team: Hockey Calgary team must complete a 'Play an Exhibition Game' form.

(c) Tournament Games:

   i) Teams must complete a 'Play in a Tournament' form

   ii) Approvals are automatically sent. However, an approval does not mean the team will not be scheduled for a Hockey Calgary Seeding/League/Playoff Game. Teams must fulfill all Hockey Calgary scheduled game obligations. A 'Schedule Window' is required to not be scheduled for a game during a specific time period. Please refer to the 'Tournament Policy' on www.hockeycalgary.ca

(d) 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.

(e) A team given permission to play exhibition or tournament games must use only those players registered with their team, including affiliate players in accordance with Affiliation regulations outlined in the Hockey Calgary Rules and Regulations.

(f) Details contained on the official game report(s) entered (as per Hockey Calgary guidelines) for all exhibition and tournament games must be entered and a PDF/picture copy of the official game report uploaded at the Hockey Calgary website within 24 hours of the game or completion of the tournament. Failure to do so may result in teams from the Association not being granted future permission to travel or participate in tournaments until the matter is resolved.

(g) All exhibition games for teams, except for U7 (Timbits), must be officiated by registered Hockey Canada

officials who have been certified in the current year and are qualified for that level of hockey.

(h) League games must be played as scheduled and tournament sanctions will not be issued to Member Clubs or teams that do not fulfill their league game requirements.

19 Hosting and Playing in Tournaments

Please refer to the Tournament Policy at www.hockeycalgary.com.

20 Minor Hockey Week

During Minor Hockey Week the Hockey Calgary Executive Director will deal with protests, complaints or additional games to be played.

21 Minimum Suspensions

Hockey Calgary follows Hockey Canada and Hockey Alberta minimum suspensions. Minimum suspensions are assessed to all Players and Team Officials for a violation of the corresponding Playing Rule. These suspensions are automatically applied, are not to be reduced, and cannot be appealed. Game Misconduct or Gross Misconduct infractions that occur within the last ten (10) minutes of a game will automatically have one (1) additional game added to the suspension for both Players and Team Officials.

(a) 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 Age Category Governor and/or League Chair, and should they require, they will contact the Council Chair for further clarification.

(b) Minimum Suspensions showing the number of games for the length of suspension are automatic, based on the Referee's call, and are not subject to appeal.

(c) Minimum Suspensions and Infractions that carry an 'Indefinite' suspension, result in an investigation of the incident taking place prior to Hockey Alberta rendering a decision on the length of suspension. Indefinite Suspension decisions can be subject to appeal.

(d) Minimum Suspensions are in addition to game incurred and are not appealable. Additional suspensions may be imposed wherever conditions and circumstances warrant.

(e) Match Penalty reports will be forwarded to Hockey Alberta for further review

Hockey Alberta Minimum Suspensions

22 Additional Suspensions

(a) Any Team Official who is party to, or have knowledge of, or adds an unregistered or Ineligible Player's name or un-carded team official or trainer's name to an official game report for the purpose of competing in a game;

i) may be suspended for a period of three years, or as determined by the Hockey Calgary Officers from playing or holding office with any team, club, or association.

ii) shall have games defaulted whether said Player(s) played or not.

(b) 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 their 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.

(c) If a Team Official or Player participates in a game or if their name appears on the official game report 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.

23 Suspension Procedure

Procedures Following a Suspendable Offense

(a) It is the responsibility of the Head Coach or their designate to inform the League Chair or Category Governor when a player or team official has received a suspension in accordance with Hockey Alberta's Minimum Suspensions.

(b) Match on Official penalties resulting from assault on an official are sent directly to Hockey Alberta for an investigation and hearing.

(c) A player or team official that has been indefinitely suspended will be notified in writing by the Game and Conduct Director. All indefinite suspensions are subject to a hearing by Hockey Calgary and/or Hockey Alberta.

(d) Any registered team official, off-ice official or spectator receiving a game misconduct or game ejection must exit the arena and adjoining building.

Serving a Suspension

(e) If a suspended player or team official participates in a game, the game may be forfeited, and the Head Coach may 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.

(f) All suspensions must be served during sanctioned League, Playoff, and Tournament games, and cannot be served during Exhibition games.

(g) Players incurring suspensions while playing as an affiliate must serve their suspension with their Registered Team. Players and Team Officials are not permitted to participate in any League, Playoff, Tournament, and Exhibition games until the suspensions have been served in their entirety.

(h) Team Officials registered to multiple teams must serve suspensions with the team in which they incurred the suspension with, and are not permitted to participate in any League, Playoff, Tournament, and/ Exhibition games with any team in which they are registered until the suspensions have been served in their entirety.

(i) A suspended coach, manager, non-player team official or spectator, is not permitted in the arena or adjoining building to the arena while they are 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 before – until 1-hour after the suspended game.

(j) A suspended coach may request spectator status while under suspension. Requests should be made to the Age Category Governor via the League Chair. Note: The Governor will have sole discretion when granting spectator status.

(k) A suspended player shall not be allowed within fifty (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 twenty-five (25) feet of the Referees change room or within twenty-five (25) feet of where the Officials enter or exit the playing surface.

Carryover and Pre-Season Suspensions

(l) Players with carryover suspensions from the prior season will be allowed to participate in "evaluations", exhibition games, or tournament games that are sanctioned to take place prior to October 15. All carryover suspensions will be served in their entirety in sanctioned league or tournament games.

(m) Players receiving a one (1) game suspension prior to the start of league play will be required to serve their suspension in sanctioned league or tournament games. The player may continue to play exhibition games up until October 15 for the purposes of evaluations.

(n) Players receiving a second suspension prior to the start of league play will be suspended until their suspension is served in its entirety.

(o) Players receiving a multi-game suspension or match penalty prior to the start of league play will be suspended until their suspension is served in its entirety.

24 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 Member Club and individual team's responsibility, to make certain that all players are properly registered, as per the Official Hockey Canada roster.
2. A suspended player.
3. A player who has not been properly released as per the release policy and procedures of Hockey Calgary.

(b) A Coach or Manager who plays an ineligible player will be immediately suspended until their 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 official game report, 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.

(c) All games played using an ineligible player may be forfeited.

25 Appeals

Suspensions issued by League Chairs 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.

Decisions made by Hockey Calgary League Chairs/Coordinators, Governors, Elite Council, Female Council, Rec Hockey Council, Hockey Calgary official, or other Hockey Calgary Committee can be appealed to the Hockey Calgary Appeals 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 their designate of the appellant's Member Club stating that they are aware of the appeal.

(c) Appeals shall be filed in the office of Hockey Calgary (or the Elite Council for appeals within the Elite stream) within **48 hours** of receipt of the decision in the matter being appealed.

(d) Community/RHC/Female

(a) Appeals made to the Appeals Committee of Hockey Calgary shall be accompanied by an electronic funds transfer (e-transfer) (non-refundable) for the sum of $150.00 payable to Hockey Calgary at finance@hockeycalgary.com

(e) Elite

(a) Appeals made to the Elite Council Chair shall be accompanied by an electronic funds transfer (e-transfer) (non-refundable) for the sum of $150.00 payable to Elite Council.

In Rec Hockey, Community, and Female Hockey, decisions made by League Chair or other League Official should first be appealed to the Category Governor and then the appropriate Council Chairman. In Elite Hockey, decisions made by the League Coordinator or other League Official should first be made to the Elite Chair or their designate.

26 Supplemental Discipline

(a) Additional suspensions will be imposed on players and/or teams who reach and exceed specific penalty minute totals during the season.

(b) All penalty minutes incurred during 'Seeding Round' and 'League Play' will count towards player and team totals. Game misconducts count for 10 minutes toward a players' total.

(c) The following Age Category individual thresholds will apply for Community, Female, and Rec Hockey:

U9	No Threshold	U13	60 PIMS	U18	100 PIMS
U11	40 PIMS	U15	80 PIMS	U21 C	100 PIMS

(d) The following Age Category individual thresholds will apply for Elite Hockey:

U21 B	100 PIMS

(e) Players who reach their applicable individual threshold as defined in these regulations will be assessed a **1 game suspension** to be served in their next scheduled Seeding, League, or Playoff Game.

(f) Once a player crosses the threshold, they will be assessed the following increased suspensions for every additional 25 PIMS they incur thereafter:

+25 PIMS	2 game suspension
+50 PIMS	4 game suspension
+75 PIMS	8 game suspension

(g) Players receiving Supplemental Discipline suspensions in the last game of the season are required to serve in the first game(s) of playoffs.

(h) The following Age Category team thresholds will apply for Community, Female, and Rec Hockey:

U9	No Threshold	U13	300 PIMS	U18	450 PIMS
U11	200 PIMS	U15	400 PIMS	U21 C	No Threshold

(i) Teams who reach their applicable team threshold as defined in these regulations shall be subject to a disciplinary hearing to review the team's penalty conduct and determine any appropriate sanctions. The hearing must include the Head Coach and Member Club President, and will be conducted by Hockey Calgary staff, including the Game and Conduct Director, Executive Director, and/or Hockey Operations manager.

(j) Penalty minutes incurred during playoff, exhibition and/or tournament games do not count towards player or team totals and no incremental supplemental discipline will be assessed during playoffs other than standard 'Minimum Suspensions Guidelines'.

(k) All 'Supplemental Discipline' suspensions are 'Unappealable'.

REGULATIONS GOVERNING COMMUNITY HOCKEY

1 Community Member Club Boundaries

The Community Member Club Boundaries are available through the Hockey Calgary office and an approximate (unofficial) listing of the encompassing communities in each Community Member Club is available on the HC website.

2 Player Movement

Please refer to the Hockey Calgary Registration Policy for Player Movement

3 Team Registration

(a) The Community Member Clubs 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) Teams are restricted to registering players who:

1. Reside within their Community Member Club boundaries as defined in All Streams *Residential Qualifications*
2. Have been granted player movement as defined in Hockey Calgary Registration Policy

(c) U7 and U9 Community Hockey Teams may register at one time a maximum of twenty (20) and nineteen (19) skaters, respectively, unless otherwise approved by Hockey Calgary

(d) U11 Community Hockey teams may register at one time a maximum of nineteen (19) players. Of those nineteen (19), one (1) must be a goaltender. When eighteen (18) players or less are registered, teams may or may not designate a goaltender subject to Hockey Calgary's approval.

(e) U13, U15, and U18 Community Hockey teams may register at one time a maximum of twenty (20) players. Of those twenty (20), two (2) must be goaltenders. For clarification, when nineteen (19) players are registered, one (1) must be designated as a goaltender. When eighteen (18) players or less are registered, teams may or may not designate a goaltender subject to Hockey Calgary approval.

(f) Players in U11 and up that evaluate and are placed on a team as a goaltender must be designated as a goaltender in the Hockey Canada Registry. The only exception to this rule is in the age categories of U11 and U13 when a participant is recognized as a 'Hybrid Goalie' as per the U11 Hybrid Goalie Policy. Such participants are designated as Player/Goalie in the Hockey Canada Registry. Players who are designated as goaltenders cannot play in a game as a skater as Hockey Alberta regulations.

(g) U21 C teams may neither sign nor register, at any one time, more than twenty-five (25) eligible players.

(h) Any team that fails to properly register prior to the team's first scheduled league game is ineligible to play and will forfeit.

(i) Team Officials participating "on the bench" with any duly registered Hockey Team must be Duly registered in the Hockey Canada Registry prior to participating with said team.

(j) Team Officials participating "on the bench" with more than one (1) Hockey Team in the same season shall be duly registered with each and every team of which they are a member prior to participating with the respective team(s).

4 Non-Body Checking

(a) The age categories of U7 (Timbits), U9, U11, and U13 will play in non-body checking divisions.

(b) In the U15 and U18 age categories, Hockey Calgary will operate body checking Divisions 1-3 and non-body checking Divisions 1- 3, and 4 (if applicable). U15 and U18 non-body checking teams may not take part in body-checking exhibition or tournament games.

5 Player Acceleration

(a) Player Acceleration is only eligible for players entering their 2nd year of a 2-year age category

(b) Players wishing to accelerate must be ranked in the top half of the top team in the higher category into which they are moving at the sole discretion of the Member Club.

i. Underage players in U15 and U18 must be ranked in the top half of the AAA team representing the quadrant in which they reside and are qualified to play.

ii. There is no player acceleration permitted from U7 (Timbits) to U9 and U9 to U11.

(c) Hockey Calgary approval is required to deviate from Player Acceleration requirements for the purposes of completing rosters where players are needed to make a team.

(d) Player acceleration is not recommended.

6 Players Per Team

(a) Member Clubs are required to ensure that all teams within an age category have an equal number of registrants per team (within 1 registrant), excluding U21 C.

i. U7, U9, U11 – all registrants are used for the calculation of "within 1 registrant"

ii. U13, U15, U18 – registered goaltenders are excluded from the calculation of "within 1 registrant"

(b) Recommended, Minimum, and Maximum number of players per team

U7 18 players (recommended)
Minimum 17, maximum 20

U9 18 players (recommended)
Minimum 17, maximum 19 (requests may be made to Hockey Calgary to roster 20 players)

U11 17 players (recommended)
Minimum 16 players, maximum 19 players (including goaltenders)

U13 16 skaters, 2 goaltenders (recommended)
Minimum 15 skaters, maximum 18 skaters, 1-2 goaltenders

U15 16 skaters, 2 goaltenders (recommended)
Minimum 15 skaters, maximum 18 skaters, 1-2 goaltenders

U18 17 skaters, 2 goaltenders (recommended)
Minimum 15 skaters, maximum 18 skaters, 1-2 goaltenders

U21 21 skaters, 2 goaltenders (recommended)

Minimum 17 skaters, maximum 23 skaters, 1-2 goaltenders

(c) Hockey Calgary may approve deviation from the above minimums and maximums

Note: Skater refers to a participant registered in the HCR as a 'Player', 'Forward', or 'Defence'. Goaltender refers to a participant registered in the HCR as a 'Goaltender'. Player refers to all participants on a team regardless of position designation in the HCR.

7 Affiliation

Each team may have up to 19 named affiliated players (with Hockey Calgary's approval) from a lower division or age category from within the Community Hockey Association. Players can only be affiliated with one team in a specific category. A category is defined as Age Categories (U15, U18, etc.) and Category of hockey (Tiered, AA, AAA, etc.).

(a) 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 Member Club providing this Community Member Club approves of the affiliation in writing.

(b) All affiliations must be filed with the Hockey Calgary office and approved prior to the affiliated player being allowed to participate, in any game, with the team to which they are affiliated. Affiliations will be accepted and approved by Hockey Calgary up to and including January 15th of the current playing season. Affiliation will only be recognized where:

i) players are added to the teams in the Hockey Canada Registry and identified as "affiliates"

ii) the Hockey Calgary Manager of Hockey Operations or their designate(s) acknowledge receipt and identify said players as approved prior to an affiliate player participating in any game with the hockey team to which they are affiliated

iii) the affiliation has been endorsed by the President of the applicable Member Club.

Any player participating in any game as an affiliated player without the approval of Hockey Calgary shall be considered an Ineligible player and team officials shall be subject to applicable discipline.

NOTE: All affiliations shall terminate at the end of the current playing season.

NOTE: There will be no formal affiliations allowed within the division of U7 (Timbits). There will be no affiliations allowed from U7 (Timbits) up to U9.

8 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.

(b) Teams are permitted to use affiliation for any Seeding, League, EMHW, or Playoff game sanctioned by Hockey Calgary to return the team to its original roster size.

i. Example: A team has 14 skaters and two (2) goaltenders registered to their Official Team Roster for a maximum of 16 players. Should two (2) skaters be unavailable due to sickness or injury, the team would be permitted to use two (2) affiliates to bring their roster size back up to the original 14 skaters and two (2) goaltenders.

ii. Permission must be obtained by the Age Category Governor for a team to affiliate more than 5 players for any Hockey Calgary Seeding, League, EMHW, or Playoff game.

(c) U11-U21 Teams are permitted to use affiliation for any Exhibition or Tournament game to bring their team up to the maximum permitted roster size of eighteen (18) skaters and two goaltenders, regardless of its original roster size.

(d) U13, U15, and U18 teams with only one (1) designated goaltender may exceed their roster size by one (1) in order to have a back-up goaltender listed on the official game report. The back-up goaltender must be an affiliated player and designated as a goaltender in the Hockey Canada Registry. This will not count towards the maximum of ten (10) games unless the affiliated player is called into action.

(e) When a higher division team uses an affiliated player, teams must ensure "AP" is designated after the player's name on the official game sheet.

(f) When using an affiliate player, the higher team must seek the permission of the lower team in accordance with their internal Member Club policies.

(g) Failure to follow the Procedure for use of Affiliated Players may result in the Head Coach of the higher team receiving a one game suspension.

9 Affiliate Player Game Maximums

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. All Member Clubs will follow the Hockey Canada, Hockey Alberta, and Hockey Calgary affiliation regulations.

(a) A player of a team in a lower division or category may play a maximum of ten (10) games. If the player's registered team completes its regular season and playoffs (including post-playoff tournaments and exhibition games) before the player's affiliated team, the player may thereafter affiliate an unlimited number of times.

(b) U9 – an affiliated player may play a maximum of five (5) games with their affiliated team in the current hockey season.

(c) Exhibition and Tournament games do not count in the total for the use of affiliates.

10 Length of Games

The following do not apply to U7 (Timbits) and U9. Please refer to the Intro to Hockey Guide for details.

Permit length	Length of periods 1, 2, and 3
1 hour permit	13-13-13minutes
1 ¼ hour permit	15-15-15 minutes
1 ½ hour permit	15-20-20 minutes
1 ¾ hour permit	20-20-15 minutes
2-hour permit or greater	20-20-20 minutes

Note:

i. All games are stop time.

ii. No time outs permitted.

iii. A 3-minute warm-up will begin at the scheduled permit time.

iv. Floods between periods will only occur as follows: 1 ¾ hour permit – between 1st and 2nd 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 ¼ hour duration, players will not leave the ice between periods.

vi. For games of 1 ½ 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 Chair/League Coordinator will notify teams of any 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 must 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 is completed with stop time.

11 Schedule Changes and Windows

(a) Please refer to the Game Reschedule Policy found at www.hockeycalgary.com

(b) Please refer to the Tournament Policy found at www.hockeycalgary.com for information regarding schedule windows.

i) Maximum seven-day window allowed.

ii) No Schedule Windows will be allowed during the Seeding Round, Minor Hockey Week, or Playoffs.

12 Team Management

(a) Only players in uniform and a maximum of five team officials shall be permitted to occupy the player's bench. These individuals must be registered and entered on the official game report. A maximum of five team officials may be recorded on the official game report. For U9, a maximum of 4 coaches shall be on

the bench (2 per side).

1. For game limitations, please refer to the Gameplay Guidelines at www.hockeycalgary.com The game total includes all seeding and second round, exhibition, tournament, Minor Hockey Week and playoff games. The head coach of each team is responsible to ensure the team does not exceed these limits. Failure to do so will result in suspension of the Head Coach.

(b) Team officials shall always be responsible for their conduct and that of their players. They must endeavor to prevent disorderly conduct before, during or after the game, on or off the ice and any place in the rink.

13 End of Game Responsibilities & Official Game Report

(a) At the completion of each hockey game teams should participate in a post-game handshake/fist bump 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 Home team must ensure all online game sheets are properly finalized upon completion of each game. Failure to complete and finalize the online game sheet within 24 hours may result in coach suspension or the loss of points from the game.

(c) The Head Coach or their designate is responsible for informing the League Chair/Governor of any incidents written up on the official game report by the referee involving members of their own team within 24 hours of the game being completed.

(d) Only referees and linespeople are allowed to write on the official game report.

(e) First and last names must be clearly legible in the roster list for each team.

14 Playoffs

(a) Hockey Calgary Executive Director will 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) U7 and U9 age categories will not have Playoffs at the end of the regular season.

(c) All teams in each division of U11, U13, U15, and U18 will enter playoffs and will be seeded based on the final league standings (point total).

(d) In the event that teams are tied, the following procedure will apply:

If two (2) teams are tied:

1. The team with the most wins in the regular season gains the higher position.
2. If the two teams are still tied after Regulation 14.1 above, the winner of all head-to-head league games between the two tied teams gains the higher position.
3. If the two (2) teams are still tied after Regulations 14.1 and 14.2 above have been applied, then the team with the best goal average in the regular season gains the higher position. The goal average of a team is to be determined in the following manner:

   Total number of goals for divided by total number of goals for and against (all league games)

   Example: GF = 10 goals GA = 4 goals

   Percentage (%): $\frac{\text{Total Goals}}{\text{Total Goals For + Total Goals Against}} \quad \frac{10}{10 + 4} \quad \frac{10}{14} \quad = .714$

   The highest percentage gains the higher position.

4. If the two (2) teams are still tied after Regulations 14.1, 14.2, and 14.3 have been applied, the team with the least number of penalty minutes in the regular season gains the higher position.

5. If the two (2) teams are still tied after Regulations 14.1, 14.2, 14.3, and 14.4 have been applied, then the team that scored the first goal in the regular season head-to-head game(s) between the two (2) tied teams gains the higher position.

6. If the two (2) teams are still tied after Regulations 14.1, 14.2, 14.3, 14.4, and 14.5 have been applied, a single coin toss will determine which team gains the higher position.

    a. For the coin toss for two (2) teams tied, a single coin will be tossed with one of the teams declaring either "heads" or "tails".

    b. The team that declared the toss and is successful would then be declared the higher seed.

If three (3) or more teams are tied:

The point record established in the head-to-head games amongst the **tied teams only** will be used as the first tie-breaking formula, provided they played an equal number of games against each other.

(a) The team with the most wins would gain the higher position.
(b) If teams are still tied, then the team with the best goal average in the regular season gains the higher position. The goal average of a team is to be determined in the following manner:

Total number of goals for divided by total number of goals for and against (all league games)

Example: GF = 10 goals GA = 4 goals

Percentage (%):

$$\frac{\text{Total Goals}}{\text{Total Goals For + Total Goals Against}} \quad \frac{10}{10 + 4} \quad \frac{10}{14} \quad = .714$$

The highest percentage gains the higher position.

(c) If all three percentages are different for the three (3) teams that are tied, then the first (1st), second (2nd) and third (3rd) place is decided with the highest percentage earning the 1st place and the lowest percentage earning the 3rd place. The tie-breaking procedure will not revert to two (2) teams tied.
(d) If three (3) teams are still tied, the team with the least number of penalty minutes in the regular season gains the higher position.
(e) If three (3) teams are still tied, a coin toss will determine which team gains the higher position.

    a. For the coin toss for three (3) teams tied, all three teams will each toss a coin. The team that tosses the first odd coin is declared the first (1st) position of the three tied teams.

    b. The two remaining teams will now toss a single coin with one of the teams declaring either "heads" or "tails". The team that declared the toss and is successful would then be declared the second (2nd) seed. If the team that declared the loss is unsuccessful, that team is placed third (3rd).

(f) Playoffs will consist of a double knockout format (i.e. a team must lose twice to be eliminated).
(g) Playoff rules will be determined by Hockey Calgary for each of the respective leagues and circulated prior to the start of playoffs.

15 Game Protests

(a) Only the two teams involved have the right to file a protest in regard to a game or incident connected therewith.

(b) Referees are in care and control of the game. As such, protests will not be accepted when a referee has exercised their judgement in officiating the game. Protests will only be considered if it concerns a question of interpretation of the rules.

(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 Chair;
2. Age Category Governor (Hockey Calgary)
3. Executive Director (Hockey Calgary)
4. Registered 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 two separate individuals – the coach or manager of the protesting team, as well as the President or a Vice-President of the team's Community Member Club.

(e) Protests must be in the hands of the League Chair, or in their absence, the Hockey Calgary Office, and a registered official of the opposing team within 48 hours of the conclusion of the game protested or at least 8 hours prior to a game that may be affected by the outcome of the protest.

(f) The protest must be accompanied by an electronic funds transfer (e-transfer) (non-refundable) for the sum of $150.00 payable to Hockey Calgary at finance@hockeycalgary.com.

(g) Both teams and Member Clubs will be notified by the Executive Director of Hockey Calgary (or designate) of the date and place of the hearing. All protests will be heard by a committee of Hockey Calgary representatives and will include the League Chair.

REGULATIONS GOVERNING FEMALE HOCKEY

Girls Hockey Calgary (GHC) offers the opportunity for players to participate in two streams of hockey, Community level hockey and Elite level hockey.

At the Community level, GHC offers a program from U7 (Timbits) to U18.

At the Elite level, GHC offers U13 AA, U15 AA, U18 AA, and U18 AAA teams which are part of an elite stream of hockey as per Hockey Alberta's Elite Female Hockey Model. These teams are part of the Alberta Female Hockey League (AFHL).

All general Rules and Regulations governing all streams and Special Community Rules apply to Girls Hockey Calgary (GHC) 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) Member Club at the start of each season.

(b) Players who have registered with GHC for the current season must follow the GHC Registration Policy to transfer to their resident Community Member Club within Hockey Calgary after September 1st.

(c) Hockey Calgary will not recognize any minor female team(s) that is not comprised of GHC registered players.

3 Player Acceleration

(a) Minor Female Teams – underage players must be ranked in the top 25% of the higher age category and be approved by the GHC Executive.

(b) For Elite Team Player Acceleration from U15 to U18, underage players are limited to players who have reached their 14th birthday prior to December 31st of the current playing season. These players must be ranked in the top half of the top U18 AAA players in order to be eligible to participate on a U18 AAA Team.

4 Association Requirements

Teams from outside the Calgary Region may apply to participate in Hockey Calgary's Female only leagues. Approval for participation is at the sole discretion of Hockey Calgary's Executive Director.

5 Provincial Championships

GHC teams may participate in recognized Hockey Alberta Provincial Championships. Hockey Calgary will determine the criteria for determining which team(s) participates in Provincial Championships. These criteria will be provided to GHC in advance of Provincial Championships.

6 League Formation

Three teams can be recognized as a league.

7 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 Member Club or team while registered with GHC.

8 League Participation

(a) GHC Minor Female teams will participate in Hockey Calgary Female Leagues.

(b) GHC U13 AA, U15 AA, U18 AA and U18 AAA teams will participate in the Alberta Female Hockey League (AFHL).

REGULATIONS GOVERNING ELITE HOCKEY

All general Rules and Regulations governing hockey apply to AA (except for U11 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 Clubs in accordance with terms of reference provided by Hockey Calgary and while open to suggestions, 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 Elite Hockey League (AEHL), is under the direction of the Elite Council and Hockey Calgary.

2 Boundary Review

Elite Club Presidents will meet to discuss boundary needs and if an agreement can be reached, the need to appoint a committee will not be necessary. When required, a committee consisting of the Elite quadrant registrars will be formed to review the registration numbers and determine if a boundary change is required. The committee will be chaired by the Elite Council Chairman.

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

Criteria:

(a) Number of players graduating from U11 Divisions 1 & 2, U13 AA and Division 1, U15 Divisions 1, 2 & 3.

(b) Total number of graduating players eligible for AA U13 & U15.

(c) A final decision will be approved by Elite Council and is subject to ratification by Hockey Calgary.

(d) 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 Hockey based players, the cream cannot and will not rise to the top.

The Grandfather clause will be restricted to graduating U11 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 The Calgary Junior Hockey League (C.J.H.L)

(a) The Calgary Junior Hockey League is under the direction of Hockey Calgary and Elite Council.

(b) Residential Qualifications – A U21 aged player is required to play with a team in the quadrant which such player legally resides. A player from outside the Calgary Region (as filed with Hockey Alberta) who is employed in the City or is attending an educational institution, will be allowed to register with appropriate documentation. A release is required to play in another quadrant.

(c) Each team is allowed to register a maximum of three (3) seventeen (17) year old players. The player must reside within the boundaries of that quadrant.

(d) It is agreed that any seventeen (17) year old goaltenders who are unsuccessful in making a team in their home quadrant are permitted to travel to a different quadrant to play U21 B, if the in-coming quadrant is willing to accept them. They then must apply for a release.

(e) Affiliations must be declared and filed with the Executive Director or his designate(s) up to and including January 15 of the current hockey season.

4 Completion and Composition of Teams

(a) U21: Each Elite Club will enter a minimum of two U21 teams in the Calgary Junior Hockey League.

i. U21 B teams may neither sign nor register, at any one time, no more than twenty-five (25) eligible players. Rosters must be reduced to twenty-three (23) by January 10th of the playing season

(b) U18: Each Elite Club will enter a minimum of one AAA U18 team and two U18 AA teams in the Alberta Elite Hockey League (AEHL).

i. U18 AAA teams are permitted to roster 20 players

ii. U18 AA teams are permitted to roster 19 or 20 players (no lower than 19)

(c) U17: Each Elite Club shall enter one (1) U17 AAA team in the Alberta Elite Hockey League (AEHL). The composition of the team will be restricted to players 15 and 16 years of age. Teams are permitted to roster 19 or 20 players (no lower than 19)

(d) U16: Each Elite Club will enter one (1) U16 AA team in the Calgary U16 AA League. The composition of the team will be restricted to players 15 years of age. Teams are permitted to roster 19 or 20 players (no lower than 19)

(e) U15: Each Elite Club will enter a minimum of one U15 AAA team comprised of up to 19 first and second year U15 aged players to compete in the Alberta Elite Hockey League (AEHL). Each Elite Club will enter a minimum of three evenly balanced U15 AA teams in the AEHL U15 Hockey League. Teams are permitted to roster 19 or 20 players (no lower than 19)

(f) U13: Each Elite Club will enter a minimum of two evenly balanced U13 AAA teams in the AEHL U13 AAA Hockey League. Each U13 AAA team will be comprised of no less than 17 players (15 skaters & 2 goaltenders).

9 Player Acceleration

(a) Player Acceleration is only permitted for those players who are 'truly exceptional' and is not recommended by Hockey Calgary or Elite Council. Underage players who wish to accelerate to an older age category must be ranked in the top third of the Elite Club's AAA team (at U15 & U18 levels), and top 25% at the U13 AAA level.

(b) Acceleration is only permitted for players entering into the 2nd year of an age category.

(c) Players can accelerate only within the Elite Club's boundaries in which they reside.

(d) Only select players will be provided the opportunity to accelerate. The decision on whether a player has this opportunity will be a joint decision between the Elite Club, the Community Member Club and Hockey Calgary.

10 Player Registration

(a) Any player, U18 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 them in accordance with Rules and Regulations 2 Residential Qualifications.

(b) The coach and the Quadrant Elite Club shall be held responsible to see that their players are:

1. the correct age;
2. residents of the Calgary Region
3. residents in the proper zone

(c) A coach who plays an ineligible player will be suspended indefinitely until their case has been dealt with (refer to Hockey Alberta Minimum Suspensions Guidelines). All games using an ineligible player may be forfeited. To invoke this rule, a team must utilize the protest procedures as outlined in these Rules and Regulations.

(d) A team may not register a player if they are registered with another team for that season until written release has been received from the organization with whom they are 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.

(f) Any player of minor aged eligibility who transfers due to a legal custody change or moves without parent may not, in the first season after that change has occurred, register or affiliate to a team that could earn the right to participate in a Hockey Canada Regional or National Championship.

11 Team Registration

(a) Each Elite Club Registrar will confirm to the Hockey Calgary 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 U18 teams who will follow Alberta Elite Hockey League regulations. For players new to the Calgary Region or otherwise not previously registered with Hockey Calgary, registration shall include all necessary, releases, birth certificates and/or branch transfers.

(b) During exhibition games prior to the start of the first league game, a team may use an unlimited number of eligible players. After the league begins, only registered or affiliated players may play in exhibition games except AAA U18 players who will follow Alberta Elite Hockey League regulations (Note: an affiliate player cannot play as an affiliate until they have been properly registered with their own team).

12 Residential Qualifications

(a) A player must compete with a team representing the Elite team area in which they reside, which is entered in a division for which they are qualified to play, unless they are given a proper release.

(b) A player shall be deemed for purposes of tryout registrations to reside in the quadrant of which their parents are residing as of September 1st, of the playing season. If the player does not reside with either parent the player must reside with their legal guardian as defined under the Domestic Relations Act or the Child Welfare Act. Such player must have resided within the Calgary Region 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

Teams having signed a player for the previous season will be privileged to sign the same player (pending player and parent(s) written agreement), irrespective of their residence in the Calgary Region. The normal restrictions apply for signing a player who has signed with another team, either Community or Elite Hockey Club, for the current season. Should a player move out of the Calgary Region, that player must register with the new draw zone in which they reside.

14 Player Release

A player who is unsuccessful at securing membership on a team within the Elite Quadrant, which encompasses the area of their residency, must return to their appropriate Community Member Club for play that season. This rule does not apply to U21 age players. U21 age players must still have a release to play for a Club outside the area of their residency.

15 Player Release (U13 & U15)

(a) Rosters for all U13 AAA teams must be declared by a date determined by Hockey Calgary for each playing season. Players not securing a roster spot on one of the AAA teams must be released to their respective AA Program on or before this date.

(b) No U15 aged player may be released after a date determined by Hockey Calgary for each playing season. No U15 aged player may be signed to an Elite team from a Community Hockey Club team after January

10th of the playing season.

(c) Special circumstances may be appealed to Hockey Calgary who shall establish a committee of three, one representative from each of Hockey Calgary, the Community Member Club, and the Elite Club, to resolve the situation.

(d) Any coach who contravenes these rules may 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 Hockey Club 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 by each Elite Club Registrar with the Hockey Calgary Registrar prior to the affiliated player being allowed to participate, in any game with the team to which they are affiliated. If a Coach plays an affiliated player not registered with the specific Elite Registrar, they will be deemed to have used an ineligible player and may be subject to the sanctions of using such a player.

(b) All Elite Clubs are required to register their list of Community Hockey Club affiliated players in writing with Hockey Calgary by a date determined by Hockey Calgary. Once accepted by Hockey Calgary those players can be added into the Hockey Canada Registry. After this date but before December 15th, additional affiliates can be requested as needed. Those players must be registered to a team before they can be registered as an affiliate. Approval of that Community Member Club must be received prior to the player being identified as an affiliate.

(c) Elite teams may affiliate any Community Member Club player from a lower category within their boundary following notification and approval of the respective Member Club and Hockey Calgary.

(d) All Elite teams affiliating within the Elite system must register their list of affiliated players with each Elite Registrar and Hockey Calgary by midnight of the 15th of December of the playing season.

(e) Copies of the list of affiliated players should be sent by the Elite President or representative to the following:

1. Community Member Club Registrar;
2. Community Member Club team coaches affected should be notified of the affiliation.

(f) Permission must be secured from the affiliated player's coach or manager before an affiliate player is used.

(g) For affiliation procedures in Elite hockey, all Elite Clubs will follow the Hockey Canada regulation for Affiliations.

(h) Players transferred from USA Hockey and other Hockey Canada member branches are eligible to advance to a team of higher Division or Category as an Affiliate Player. A Non-North American Import is ineligible to advance to a team of a higher Division or Category as an Affiliate Player.

(i) U21 B teams will follow Section B U21 of the Hockey Alberta Bylaws and Regulations with regards to the affiliation process.

17 Officials

Any complaints about referees or off-ice officials by coaches, managers, players or parents must be sent to the appropriate Elite Club President for approval and onward delivery to the League Governor Chairman of Central Region for appropriate action.

18 Length of Games

Permit length	Length of periods 1, 2, and 3
U13 AA (1 ½ hours)	15-20-20 minutes (no floods)
U13 AAA (2 hours)	20-20-20 minutes (1 flood)

U15 AA (2 hours)	20-20-20 minutes (1 flood)
U15 AAA (2¼ hours)	As per the AEHL rules
U16 AA (2 ¼ hours)	20-20-20 minutes
U17 AAA (2¼ hours)	As per AEHL rules
U18 AA (2¼ hours)	20-20-20 minutes
U18 AAA	As per AEHL rules
Jr B (2¼ hours)	20-20-20 minutes

Note:

i. All games are stop time.

ii. One time out is permitted for each team.

iii. There will be a 5-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.

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 (excluding AEHL games), 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 League Governor

(a) It will be their duty to supervise and direct the conduct of the teams, coaches, managers, 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 Elite Council. They may also deal (in liaison with the Elite Council Chair) with any Elite registered team, who in their opinion is guilty of conduct unbecoming to the game of hockey.

(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 will put it in writing and send it to the Elite Council Chair.

(c) They may suspend, with the concurrence of the Elite Council Chair (or designate), a manager, coach, trainer, or a player up to a maximum of five games.

(d) The League Governor shall enforce Hockey Canada, Hockey Alberta, and Hockey Calgary rules, consistently, firmly but fairly.

20 End of Game Responsibilities/Official Game Report

Hockey Calgary AA Leagues and AAA teams must follow AEHL rules pertaining to official game reports.

21 Schedule Changes

(a) All league games must be played as scheduled unless otherwise authorized by Elite Council in consultation with Hockey Calgary. Coaches, Managers, or Hockey Clubs may NOT reschedule games. Teams requesting a schedule change must fill out the appropriate Game Change Form with their league. Failure to comply,

will result in a loss of 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 entertain a change of schedule for Tournament games only, for U13 AA, U15 AA, U16AA, or U18 AA teams only. U13 AA teams are permitted to one schedule change, and U15, U16 & U18 AA teams will be allowed two schedule changes per season. The deadline to apply for a schedule change is **November 30th**. All teams in Elite Council participating within the AEHL must fill out the appropriate Game Change Form with their respective leagues. All approved Game Change Forms within the AEHL must be forwarded to the Hockey Calgary office.

(c) Games will only be postponed for Hockey Canada approved tournaments outside the Calgary Region (as filed with Hockey Alberta), or those tournaments deemed "Special Events" within the Calgary Region (as filed with Hockey Alberta).

(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.

22 Leagues

(a) All Hockey Calgary Elite AA and AAA teams will participate in the AEHL AA and AAA leagues, respectively, and will follow their league rules. During playoffs the Chair 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) The number of teams to qualify for the playoffs will be based on the size of the division:

i.	U13 AA	All 11 teams qualify
ii.	U13 AAA	As per the AEHL Rules
iii.	U15 AA	All 12 teams qualify
iv.	U15 AAA	As per the AEHL Rules
v.	U16 AA	All teams qualify
vi.	U17 AAA	As per AEHL Rules
vii.	U18 AA	All 8 teams qualify
viii.	U18 AAA	As per AEHL rules
ix.	U21 B	All 8 teams qualify

(c) Playoff rules will be determined by Hockey Calgary for each of the respective leagues and circulated prior to the start of playoffs.

REGULATIONS 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

U13	11 and 12 year olds
U15	13 and 14 year olds
U18	15, 16, and 17 year olds
U21	18, 19, and 20 year olds

Note: Ages as of December 31

2 Boundaries

RHC is a city-wide Hockey Program. The geographical boundaries of RHC are the same as the boundaries of the Minor Hockey Association of Calgary. Find boundary information at www.hockeycalgary.com

3 Registration

(a) All players under RHC are officially registered with Hockey Calgary through RHC.

(b) Players who register with RHC are not permitted to register or tryout with any other Hockey Calgary Club or team while registered with RHC.

(c) RHC allows all genders, players and goalies, to play in all divisions.

4 Body Checking

(a) All hockey played within RHC is non-body checking.

5 Players per Team

The recommended number of players per team is:

U13 15 + 2	U18 16 + 2
U15 15 + 2	U21 17 + 2

6 Coaches

(a) All RHC coaches must have completed The Shift Forward. Each RHC team must have one coach certified with the Hockey Canada Safety Program (HCSP). U13 and U15 RHC Head Coaches are required to be **certified** in Coach Level 2. In addition, RHC will support any volunteer coach who wishes to complete Coach Stream training, but this is not required.

(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 Information Check for all coaches and volunteers. This security check will be valid for 3 years.

(c) For any RHC program that incorporates team practices, RHC requires the Head Coach to be qualified in accordance with Hockey Alberta coach qualifications. Certification requirements can be found at the beginning of this handbook

7 Player Acceleration and Deceleration

(a) In rare instances, RHC may permit players to accelerate up to or decelerate down to the adjacent age category. Participants must inquire with RHC in writing. Reasons to request acceleration or deceleration include, but are not limited to, sibling involvement or skill.

8 Eligibility for use of Affiliated Players

(a) RHC follows the Affiliation Guidelines listed in Community with any additions listed

(b) If a team's designated goaltender(s) is injured, ill, or otherwise unavailable, another designated goaltender from the same or a lower division may be used. Age Group Coordinator approval should be obtained.

(c) Any game sheet that shows an affiliate with over 10 registered team skaters will be deemed to have used an ineligible player and subject to the sanctions of using such a player.

(d) Players who play within RHC cannot affiliate to or play for teams within Community or Elite hockey.

(e) Players who play goal or designated goaltenders within the Community or Elite hockey streams of U13, U15 and U18 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 Community or Elite hockey streams who affiliated to RHC for the purposes of playing goal within RHC can also affiliate to one team within the Community or Elite hockey streams as per the normal affiliation procedures set out in Community Hockey Rules 10 and 11, and Elite Rule 16. However, the preferred affiliate goaltender is always another goaltender already registered in RHC. The use of any goaltender from outside of RHC shall require approval from both the RHC Registrar and the appropriate Age Group Coordinator for each game in which the affiliate goalie is used. A one-time approval shall not constitute blanket approval for future games.

9 Procedure for use of Affiliated Players

(a) Games are defined for the use of affiliates as RHC scheduled league games only. For all games of Minor Hockey Week and YET (Year End Tournament), coaches cannot use any affiliate players except a goaltender already registered in RHC. Violation of this rule will result in the offending team forfeiting any victory obtained while using the ineligible player(s).

(b) 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.

(c) Players not registered with Hockey Calgary will at no time be allowed to play as an affiliate player.

10 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. Referees must note the agreement on the game sheet.

(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.

11 Officials

(a) During league games, Minor Hockey Week, and YET, all RHC officials will be assigned by Central Region Referees' Committee.

(b) Teams must supply off-ice officials. The home team supplies the game timekeeper and visiting team the scorekeeper.

(c) Complaints regarding referees or off-ice officials should be submitted to the RHC Referee Liaison

(d) All off-ice officials are responsible for conducting their duties in a manner that display 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.

12 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, and spectators, agree to adhere to the Fair Play Codes of Hockey Calgary.

(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) Hockey Calgary reserves the right to suspend a player, coach, and/or parent from RHC who has violated Hockey Calgary's Fair Play Codes

13 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) Age Group Coordinators have the authority to alter or issue suspensions on an individual basis. They along with the Discipline Committee also have the right to issue suspensions to players or spectators in cases where behavior deviates from the spirit and philosophy of RHC.

(d) Coaches will be notified by the Age Group 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 players of any major disciplinary action taken against their player.

(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 Age Group Coordinator.

(g) Penalty totals in regulation *Penalties* will carry suspensions as noted.

(h) A game misconduct in the last 10 minutes of a game will result in a one game suspension.

(i) Please refer to the current RHC Rules and Policies Manual for more information, including supplemental discipline.

14 Length of Games

Permit	Length of periods 1, 2, and 3
1 hour permit	13-13-13 minutes
1 ¼ hour permit	15-15-15 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 ¼ 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 Chair/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 is completed with stop time.

15 Penalties

(a) Any player who incurs 3 penalties during a game will receive a game ejection and an additional game suspension.

(b) Any player receiving 20 penalties within a season (including Minor Hockey Week and YET) will receive a 3-game suspension.

(c) Any player receiving 25 penalties within a season (including Minor Hockey Week and YET) will be reviewed by the RHC Discipline Committee for possible expulsion from the league.

(d) Any player that receives 2 or more suspensions that fall under the Hockey Calgary Minimum Suspensions Guidelines will be reviewed by the RHC Discipline Committee for further discipline or expulsion from the league.

(e) A 10-minute misconduct in the last 10 minutes of a game will be reviewed by the Age Group 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.

16 Schedule Changes

(a) 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.

(b) Hockey Calgary reserves the right to refuse any or all requests.

17 Team Management

(a) Each team shall have in their player's bench a responsible person not in uniform (no more than five) to coach, 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 11.1 of the Hockey Canada Rule Book must be rigidly adhered to. This rule states: Team officials shall always be responsible for their conduct and that of their players. 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) The use of cameras, video equipment and camera phones are strictly prohibited in the team dressing rooms at any time.

18 Age Group Coordinator

(a) It will be the duty of the Age Group Coordinator 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 Chair) with any RHC team, who in their opinion

is guilty of conduct unbecoming of a member of RHC or Hockey Calgary.

(b) The Age Group Coordinator should not 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 Referee Liason.

(c) They may suspend, with the agreement of the RHC Discipline Committee, a coach, player, parent, or spectator.

(d) They are obliged to attend RHC Board meetings to give a report on 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 Age Group Coordinator shall enforce Hockey Canada, Hockey Alberta, and Hockey Calgary rules, consistently, firmly and fairly.

19 End of Game Etiquette

At the completion of each hockey game, teams should participate in a post-game handshake/fist bump. 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.

20 Official Game Reports

(a) All games must be finalized online upon completion. Failure to do so may result in coach suspension.

(b) Only referees are allowed to write reports on the game sheet.

(c) All coaches are to ensure that the volunteers selected to complete the game sheet do so in a manner that is unbiased and accurate. RHC will either provide 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.

21 Year End Tournament (YET)

(a) RHC does not hold playoffs at the end of a season but does hold an in-house YET.

(b) During the YET, the Age Group Coordinator will handle all protests, complaints and suspensions.

(c) All teams in each division of U13, U15, U18 and U21 will enter YET and will be seeded based on the final season competitiveness.

(d) All YET rules are posted on the RHC website.

HOCKEY CALGARY FAIR PLAY CODES

CANADA

PLAYERS

- I will play hockey because I want to, not 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 respect my teammates.
- 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 their 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 more important than 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 volunteers 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 their 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, coach, 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 and coaches 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.

GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP BUILDS BETTER HOCKEY

RESPECT • INTEGRITY • TEAMWORK • FUN

ARENAS

Acadia Recreation Centre	ACA	240 90 Avenue SE
Bowness Sportsplex	BOW	7809 43 Avenue NW
Brentwood Sportsplex	BRE	Northmount Drive & 35 Street NW
Cardel Rec South 1	CS1	100, 333 Shawville Boulevard SE
Cardel Rec South 2	CS2	100, 333 Shawville Boulevard SE
Cardel Rec South 3	CS3	100, 333 Shawville Boulevard SE
Cardel Rec South 4	CS4	100, 333 Shawville Boulevard SE
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
Edge Kyle Stuart	EKS	33055 Township Road 250
Edge Arena 2	EA2	33055 Township Road 250
Ernie Starr	ERN	4808 14 Avenue SE
Father David Bauer	FDB	2424 University Drive NW
Flames Community Arena – Blue	FCB	2390 47 Avenue SW
Flames Community Arena – Gold	FCG	2390 47 Avenue SW
Flames Community Arena – Red	FCR	2390 47 Avenue SW
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
Lake Bonavista	LAK	1401 Acadia Drive SE
Max Bell Centre	MB1	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
Northeast Sportsplex West Don Hartman Arena	NSW	5206 68 Street NE

Oakridge	OAK	9504 Oakfield Drive SW
Optimist	OPT	5020 26 Avenue SW
Rocky Ridge YMCA	ROC	11300 Rocky Ridge Road NW
Rose Kohn	ROS	502 Heritage Drive SW
Seton YMCA Rink A	SYA	19340 45 Street SE
Seton YMCA Rink B	SYB	19340 45 Street SE
Shouldice	SHO	1515 Home Road NW
Springbank - Joe Phillips	SPJ	2.5 km south of Calaway Park exit on Trans Canada Hwy
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
Trico Centre 1	TC1	11150 Bonaventure Drive SE
Trico Centre 2	TC2	11150 Bonaventure Drive SE
Triwood	TRI	2244 Chicoutimi Drive NW
Village Square 1	VS1	2623 56 Street NE
Village Square 2	VS2	2623 56 Street NE
Vivo – East	VVE	11950 Country Village Link NE
Vivo – West	VVW	11950 Country Village Link 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 A	WSA	88 Canada Olympic Road SW
WinSport B Joan Snyder	WSB	88 Canada Olympic Road SW
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PAST PRESIDENTS / CHAIRMEN

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
2011-12	Todd Millar
2012-13	Presidential Committee
2013-19	Ron Chicoyne
2019-25	Karen Pirie