



HOCKEY CALGARY

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HC COVID-19 Game Cancellation and Rescheduling Protocol Jan/Feb 2021-22

Overview:

- As COVID-19 cases rise Hockey Calgary is implementing formal game cancellation and rescheduling protocol in the event a team is unable to play their scheduled game. **This policy is in effect for the winter 2022 season only.**
- Communication & Collaboration will be essential in making this policy work. Please note that this policy is in effect for Covid-19 related issues only, and cannot be utilized for any other purpose.
- If approved, it will be the responsibility of the 'Cancelling Team' to supply ice and coordinate the re-scheduling of the game, (due to timing and ice constraints this may not be possible in all situations).
- If it is not possible to re-schedule a game, the cancelled game will be recorded as a 1-0 forfeit loss.
- **EMHW Games 'WILL NOT' be re-scheduled due to timing constraints, and will be recorded as a 1-0 forfeit loss.**
- See detailed re-scheduling process on page #2

Game Cancellation Process

There are two ways in which a game can be cancelled

1. **Team Activities Cancelled** - Hockey Calgary and the association cancel a team's activities for a period of time per the Hockey Calgary Positive COVID-19 Protocol.
2. **Team Request** - Teams can only request to cancel a game if they meet at least one of the following criteria:
 - a. **Multiple Covid-19 Cases**
 - b. Team has less than 8 players and 1 goaltender available to play the game and have exhausted all affiliate options
 - i. Should a team not have an available goaltender, Affiliation and the Substitute Goaltender Procedure will be options. Please use the [Substitute Goaltender Procedure](#) should a team have confirmed COVID case within their team
 - c. Request is made more than 12 hours prior to the start of the game

NOTE: Requests will only be approved if there concern of an outbreak on a team

NOTE: Requests are not guaranteed even if they meet the above criteria. They MUST be approved by HC and the home Association.

Procedure

1. **Team Activities Cancelled**
 - a. **The association Covid Coordinator will contact team informing them of their shutdown**
 - i. **The association Covid Coordinator will cc the Age Category Governor informing them of the Team Shutdown with shutdown dates**
 - b. **Age Category Governor to initiate Cancellation Process.**

Team Request

- a. Team to E-mail their **Association's Covid Coordinator** requesting a game to be cancelled
- b. **Association Covid Coordinator** to consult with Hockey Calgary
- c. **Association Covid Coordinator** to communicate to the team if their request has been approved or denied
 - i. **The association Covid Coordinator will cc the Age Category Governor informing them of the approval to cancel game**

If Approved:

- Ice permit is returned to the Home Association for reassignment

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- Do not enter anything into the Hockey Calgary Scoresheet system. Further instructions will be provided by the League Chair.
- Team may attempt to reschedule the game. See below for more information.

If Denied:

- The game must be played

Game Rescheduling

Cancelled games that meet the following criteria may be rescheduled:

- Game must be a Hockey Calgary Regular Season Game
- Cancellation was approved by Hockey Calgary
 - Original game was cancelled due to a COVID-19 complications

Rescheduling Procedure:

1. Cancelling Team will be responsible for finding an appropriate ice time that works for their opponent regardless of who was the Home/Away teams for the original game. This team will incur the cost of this ice time to complete this game.
 - a. Minimum Community Ice Time Lengths:
 - i. U7-U11 – Minimum 60-minute permit
 - ii. U13-U18 – Minimum 75-minute permit
 - iii. U21 – Minimum 105-minute permit
 - b. Minimum Elite Ice Time Lengths
 - i. U13AA – Minimum 90-minute permit
 - ii. All other Leagues – minimum 135-minute permit
2. Team communicates directly with Manager/Coach of their opponent to find available date/time
 - a. If the opponent is available for the ice time, they are required to play the rescheduled game.
3. Confirmation Email - Team sends confirmation email to the following:
 - a. League Chair
 - b. Age Category Governor
 - c. Opponent Team Manager/Coach
 - d. Lisa McGregor lisa.mcgregor@hockeycalgary.com
 - e. Jamie Henry jamie.henry@hockeycalgary.com
 - f. Their Association administrator and/or ice scheduler
4. Email must include:
 - a. League
 - b. Original Game number
 - c. Ice time (start and finish)
 - d. Location (specific rink if facility has multiple rinks)
 - e. Home and Away Teams (same as the original game regardless of rescheduled rink location)
5. Timeline:
 - a. Confirmation email must be sent a minimum of **72 hours** prior to the start of the rescheduled game
 - b. All rescheduled games must be confirmed by **February 13, 2022**
6. Rescheduled games must be played no later than **February 20, 2022**
7. If a cancelled game is unable to be rescheduled, the game will finish as forfeit with a score of 1-0.
8. If a game was cancelled by both teams (neither team could play), the game will finish with a score of 0-0.

NOTE: If referees were paid for the original game (cancelled within **12 hours** of start time), the team that cancelled the game will be responsible for the cost of officials

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