



Regulations

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**CENTRAL INTERIOR HOCKEY LEAGUE
REGULATIONS**

PART 1 – TEAM & PLAYER REGISTRATION

- A. Teams must register their team with BC Hockey by May 15. Teams must pay the mandatory liability / disability insurance and Game Assessment Fees (for AA teams - \$15.00 per home game, for A teams - \$5.00 per home game) by _____.
- B. Teams must register their Players and Team Officials and Players on line with BC Hockey, prior to their first game. This includes:
1. A Certified Coach (BC Hockey Coaching Requirements, Speak Out not required.
 2. A Certified Hockey Safety Person
 3. All Players
 4. Each team can register as many Team Officials as they want – Coaches, HSP, Managers etc. A maximum of 5 Team Officials are allowed on the bench at once, and a maximum of 20 players – including 2 Goaltenders. Every person on the bench must be registered with BC Hockey.
- C. Each 'AA' team (not affiliated with a 'AAA' team) is allowed to register up to 45 players. By January 10 – you must release players off your active roster to a maximum of 30 players. Any unused player cards can be used until February 10, up to your limit of 30. Goaltenders are registered as Goaltenders ONLY – and can not play as a Player.
- D. If your team is affiliated with a 'AAA' team, you are allowed to register up to 35 players. By January 10 - you must release players off your active roster to a maximum of 25.
- E. Teams may apply to BC Hockey to remain 'A' for a season, so they can affiliate with a 'AA' team. This affiliation will take effect for the Coy Cup only. The 'A' team is eligible for CIHL play and playoffs, but not the Coy Cup. Affiliation must be complete by December 15 – forms available online at bchockey.net.
- F. If teams decide they don't want to take part in the Coy Cup, they simply need to write a letter to BC Hockey (Executive Director, cc: Bob James, and President of the CIHL), before January 15 – indicating their intent to withdraw from participation in the Coy Cup. If you don't send a letter, you are expected to attend the Coy Cup should you qualify.

G. With the exception of affiliated players, no player shall be registered with and compete for more than one team in the CIHL in the same season, unless appropriately released from the original team as per BCH and Hockey Canada rules.

H. A player must play 5 league games to be eligible for CIHL Playoffs. Injured players with less than 5 games played can be reviewed by the Executive. This rule does not apply to the Coy Cup.

I. The registration of players shall be open for inspection at any time by the CIHL President or Statistician.

PART 2 – COMPETITION / SCHEDULE

A. The CIHL will form 2 divisions – East and West. The divisional split will be decided at the AGM preceeding the season, and will depend on which teams are participating.

B. The number of games for the season schedule will be decided at the AGM, for the following season.

C. Teams will submit available ice time to the President or Scheduler by June 1 for the first draft of the schedule. The President, or Scheduler, shall set the regular season schedule by August 15.

D. Any changes to regular season scheduled games must be mutually agreed upon by both teams, and the President must be informed.

E. All teams shall post their game start times on the CIHL website. Game times cannot be changed without the agreement of both teams. Warm up will commence ½ hour prior to game time.

F. All CIHL games will be played on Saturday and Sunday, unless otherwise approved by the President.

G. If a league game results in a tie score at the end of regulation time, a Shoot Out will take place. Three (3) players from each team will be selected as the shooters. If the score remains tied after the 3 shooters, one shooter per team will shoot until the tie is broken. No player shoots twice until all players on the game sheet have shot. The losing team receives 1 point for the tie game, and the winning team receives 2 points for the win.

H. Any player involved in a fight during the game will be ejected from that game only. BC Hockey regulations apply for fights resulting in a Match Penalty.

PART 3 – CANCELLED GAMES

- A. A cancelled game is any regular season game that is cancelled due to poor weather, road conditions, and other natural disasters. Failure to field a full compliment of players is not a rationale for cancelling a game.
- B. If a visiting team has less than 10 players and a Goaltender, they will be fined \$500.00. A visiting team playing in a weekend series, with injuries in the Saturday night game resulting in less than 10 players and a goaltender, for Sunday's game, shall not be fined. The fine shall be paid to the CIHL Treasurer, who will then pay the host team.
- B. The visiting team must contact the President to inform them of the conditions limiting travel to a regularly scheduled game.
- C. Only the President, or the appointed designate, can cancel a regular season League game.
- D. In the event of a cancelled game the visiting team will provide the host team with \$500 to compensate them for lost revenue. Compensation is to be made within one week following the cancelled game. If a cancelled game can be made up within the regular season the \$500 will be returned to the visiting team within one week following the made up game.

PART 4 – EXHIBITION GAMES

- A. Exhibition games may be played at any time throughout the season provided they do not impact on regular season play or playoffs.
- B. The home team is responsible for informing the President of an exhibition game.
- C. The No Show clause will apply to any exhibition game where clear written committment from both parties to play the game has been made.

PART 5 - PLAYOFFS

- A. Play-offs will commence after the regular season, and before the Coy Cup is scheduled.
- B. The Playoff format will be determined at the AGM, depending on the number of teams participating. Format should be based on: In each Division: 1st vs 4th,

and 2nd vs 3rd . Final will be the winner of each Division. All rounds will be best 2 out of 3 games.

C. Each series will begin with the first game played in the lower placed team's rink, with the last two games (if necessary) played in the higher placed team's rink.

D. Playoff games must have a neutral Referee.

E. The CIHL will have a representative at the Final game of the League Playoff Championships to present the Trophy.

PART 6 – SCORE SHEETS

A. The CIHL will provide each team with score sheets.

B. Home teams are responsible for providing game officials with score sheets.

C. Home teams are responsible for submitting legible game sheets to the League Statistician by the Monday following the game(s). Failure to do so will result in a \$50.00 fine for each late score sheet.

D. In the event that an original score sheet is forwarded to BC Hockey, the home team should photocopy the original score sheet to fax to the Statistician.

PART 7 – EQUIPMENT

A. Players must properly wear CSA approved equipment as per BC Hockey and Hockey Canada regulations governing equipment.

B. All team jerseys must display the CIHL Sponsor on their jersey.

PART 8 – REFEREES / OFFICIALS

A. Each team is responsible for obtaining Referees / Officials for their home games.

B. Referees / Officials must meet all BCH regulations.

C. Every CIHL game must have a minimum of one Referee and one Linesman.

D. Game Officials will be paid according to BC Hockey Regulations.

PART 9 – TEAM COLORS

A. Each team in the CIHL shall register it's colors with the League. Team jerseys shall be distinctly different with regard to predominant colors.

B. Colors cannot be changed without the permission of the Executive.

PART 10 – PROPERTY DAMAGE

A. Any team representative(s) who wilfully damages property, a facility or structure, will be expected to pay for the damages, and will receive a fine, payable to the CIHL, in the amount equal to the damages caused by the representative.

B. The Executive retains the right to levy suspensions for property damage.

PART 11 – FINES AND ARREARS

A. Any team with outstanding fines, or that is in arrears with the CIHL, will be considered a member NOT in good standing and will:

1. not receive any points from league games until the fine or arrears have been paid in full.
2. Not be eligible for league playoffs.

PART 12 – COY CUP

A. The Coy Cup is the Provincial Championship for Senior Male 'AA' Hockey, governed and controlled by BC Hockey.

B. Any team wishing to host the Coy Cup must make application to BC Hockey. Application should include a letter of support from the CIHL

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