



Western Australian Ice Hockey Association Inc.

Competition Rules

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1. ORGANISATION

1.1. ASSOCIATION

- 1.1.1. The Western Australian Ice Hockey Association is an incorporated association, in accordance with the Associations Act (WA) 2015
- 1.1.2. The trading name of the Association is "Ice Hockey WA", (IHWA).
- 1.1.3. Ice Hockey WA is a Member State of Ice Hockey Australia (IHA), the trading name of the Australian Ice Hockey Federation, Limited.
- 1.1.4. Ice Hockey WA is governed by the IHWA Council specified in the IHWA Constitution, and managed by an Executive comprising the Association Office-bearers.
- 1.1.5. A Member Protection Information Officer shall be appointed by Council on the recommendation of the Executive.
- 1.1.6. An independent Tribunal Chairperson shall be appointed by Council on the recommendation of the Executive.

1.2. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

- 1.2.1. IHWA accepts all IHA and IIHF policies, regulations and guidelines.

1.3. MEMBER CLUBS

- 1.3.1. For the purposes of these 'Competition Rules', there are four clubs affiliated with Ice Hockey WA:
 - a) Hawks Ice Hockey Club (Hawks), headquartered at Cockburn Ice Arena.
 - b) Northern Ice Hockey Association (NIHA), headquartered at Perth Ice Arena.
 - c) West Coast Ice Hockey Association (West Coast), headquartered at Perth Ice Arena.
 - d) BraveHearts Ice Hockey Club (BraveHearts), headquartered at Cockburn Ice Arena.
- 1.3.2. Clubs shall have a current constitution, in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act (WA) 2015 (refer to <http://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/associationsguide/> <http://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/books/inc-guide-incorporated-associations-western-australia>).
- 1.3.3. Clubs shall send their nominated representatives as communicated and approved by the IHWA Council to Operations Subcommittee Meetings. Club representatives appointed to the Operations Subcommittee are expected to commit to attend the regular IHWA Operations Subcommittee meetings and enact their right to vote accordingly. Alternatively, a Club may send an authorised delegate as communicated to the Chair prior to the meeting (Voting rights can not be delegated by the nominated representative).
- 1.3.4. The Association may represent other informal organisations associated with Ice Hockey in Western Australia.

1.4. CLUB REQUIREMENTS TO IHWA

- 1.4.1. Clubs must be financial with IHWA, with all invoices issued by IHWA being paid in full no later than 14 days prior to the commencement of any finals to participate in finals of that season.
- 1.4.2. Clubs are to use the IHWA Ethics Framework to promote consistent behaviour across Clubs. Acknowledging the IHWA Code of Conduct is mandatory in completing ESportsdesk registration.
- 1.4.3. IHWA and the Clubs shall ensure that the relevant protocols for Member Protection including Working with Children Clearances are adhered to in line with the IHWA Ethics Framework 2016.

- 1.4.4. Clubs shall pay an annual membership fee (as determined by the IHWA Council) to the Association, which may be varied by the Council at a Council meeting.
- 1.4.5. Clubs shall provide an audited financial statement for the preceding year to the IHWA Treasurer, for tabling at the February Council meeting each year.
- 1.4.6. If requested by the Council, a club shall provide to the Treasurer, its most recent balance sheet reconciled against its monthly bank statement, within 4 weeks of the request. Failure to comply may result in the club being deemed un-financial with the Association.

1.5. GAME OFFICIATION AND ADMINISTRATION

- 1.5.1. The number of active officials per club shall be at least twice the number of senior teams that the Club has entered in the IHWA Winter Competition (inclusive of officials under the age of 18), with the number of adult officials being equal to the number of senior teams that the Club has entered into the IHWA Winter Competition (at a minimum).

*Failure to meet this requirement will result in the following:

- a) If not met by 1st May in the current season, the Club will receive a written warning.
- b) If not met by 1st June in the current season, a \$300 fine payable to IHWA.
- c) If not met by 1st July in the current season, an additional \$500 fine payable to IHWA.

* Provided that a course can be run during these time periods by the IHWA RIC or appropriate persons.

- 1.5.2. Officials of a club shall be deemed active for the purposes of 1.5.1 having officiated in some capacity in one (1) game by 1st May, three (3) games by 1st June and five (5) games by 1st July.
- 1.5.3. Failure to make payment for fines incurred through 1.5.1 by no later than 14 days prior to the commencement of any finals shall result in the Club being deemed unfinancial, making the club ineligible to participate in finals of that season.
- 1.5.4. The Referee in Chief shall submit a list of accredited, registered on-ice officials to the IHWA Secretary and Club Secretaries at least 1 week prior to the commencement of the Competition.
- 1.5.5. Officials shall meet the following minimum age requirements in order to be appointed to any scheduled fixture of the Winter Competition by the RIC:

Division	Referee	Linesperson
Premier Competition	18 years or older (Adult)	16 years or older
Division 1	18 years or older (Adult)	16 years or older
Division 2	18 years or older (Adult)	14 years or older
Division 3	18 years or older (Adult)	14 years or older
Division 4	18 years or older (Adult)	14 years or older
Under 17	18 years or older (Adult)	14 years or older
Under 15	16 years or older	12 years or older
Under 13	14 years or older	12 years or older
Under 11	12 years or older	12 years or older
Under 9	12 years or older	12 years or older

Table 1 – Officiating Age Eligibility

In order to be eligible to officiate outside the provided guidelines, officials are required to be assessment and approved through the RIC using the ERP process for officials.

1.5.6. Referee System and Payment Schedule

- a) Referees shall nominate to officiate on games via the WebRef System. The RIC (or delegate) will validate and approve referees to officiate in accordance with the Referee System through WebRef and coordinate referees as required to officiate across the season.
- b) Upon officiating appointed games, the IHWA Treasurer will reconcile WebRef with official Game Sheets to compensate referees in accordance with the Referee Payment Schedule (see below).

Division	System	Referee Fee	Linesperson Fee
Premier League	2 x Referee, 2 x Linesman	\$55.00	\$40.00
Division 1	1 x Referee, 2 x Linesman or 2 x Referees	\$40.00	\$30.00
Division 2	1 x Referee, 2 x Linesman or 2 x Referees	\$40.00	\$30.00
Division 3	1 x Referee, 2 x Linesman or 2 x Referees	\$40.00	\$30.00
Division 4	1 x Referee, 2 x Linesman or 2 x Referees	\$40.00	\$30.00
17U	2 x Referee, 2 x Linesman	\$40.00	\$30.00
15U	1 x Referee, 2 x Linesman	\$35.00	\$25.00
13U	1 x Referee, 2 x Linesman	\$30.00	\$25.00
11U	1 x Referee, 2 x Linesman	\$25.00	\$20.00
9U	1 x Referee (per half ice game)	\$20.00	N/A
Sled Hockey	1 x Referee	\$20.00	N/A

Table 2 – Referee System and Payment Schedule

- c) The Referee-In-Chief shall work with the IHWA Treasurer for the monthly payment of officials.

Note: Where not already provided, bank details may be requested in order for electronic payments to be made.

1.5.7. All State team eligible players 13U, 15U and 18U must complete the officials course and be recognised as an eligible referee prior to participation in their respective tournament.

Note: Play-ups into 13U State teams are exempt.

1.5.8. Score Keeping and Time Keeping

- a) The Home team shall be responsible for the time keeper role and the Away team shall be responsible for the Score Keeper role unless other arrangements are made.
- b) The Timekeeper must be over the age of sixteen (16) on the day of the game and have the permission of their parent / legal guardian.
- c) Score Keepers must be over the age of eighteen (18) on the day of the game (note the Scorecard is deemed a legal document).
- d) Time keepers and score keepers must be of sufficient skill, and demonstrate adequate knowledge to administer the game in their respective roles.
- e) Teams will be given a grace period until 1st May to provide adequate training to its nominated time keepers and score keepers prior to penalties being applied.
- f) Teams that fail to provide adequate timekeepers and/or score keepers shall have premiership points deducted equivalent to one (1) game for each occasion.

1.5.9. Game Sheets

- a) Game Sheets shall be completed by a competent Score Keeper (in full) for every scheduled game
- b) Game Sheets shall be signed by the Managers of each team prior to the commencement of the game, as a true record of the team roster, and by the referee upon completion of the game as validation of a true and correct record of the game (including any injuries incurred throughout the course of the game).
- c) Electronic copies of the game sheet shall be provided (via CAM SCANNER) by the referee within 24 hours of the game being complete to the following:
 - IHWA Referee in Chief (RIC) at ihwaric@gmail.com
 - IHWA Registrar at ihwaregistrar@gmail.com
 - IHWA Secretary at secretary@ihwa.org.au
- d) Hard copies of the game sheet shall be deposited in the game sheet boxes provided at the respective ice rink.

1.6. MEMBERS' ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION AND ADMINISTRATION

- 1.6.1. IHWA has adopted the Ice Hockey Australia online registration and statistics management system, Esportsdesk. Esportsdesk may be accessed at:
https://www.esportsdesk.com/Competitions/pick_Compensation.cfm?clientID=6238&CompetitionID=0
- 1.6.2. All players (Players and Goal Tenders), team coaches, on-ice officials (referees & lines-people), non-playing officials (team managers, scorers, timekeepers, medics, goal judges and penalty box attendants), and Council Members of IHWA and the Clubs shall register online via the Esportsdesk system by the beginning of the IHA financial year (from 1st March each year).

 Note: Further to the above, all references to 'Players' shall be deemed to include Players and Goaltenders unless noted otherwise.
- 1.6.3. For every registering player who will be playing in the highest division available in the IHWA Winter Competition, with a birth location outside of Australia, an IIHF International Transfer Clearance card is required. No exceptions (refer to <http://www.ihwa.org.au/transfers/>)
- 1.6.4. Each club shall be responsible for ensuring Esportsdesk data entry is up-to-date throughout the season for its members.

1.7. INSURANCE

- 1.7.1. All IHWA registered players, officials and volunteers are covered by IHA for sanctioned events and travel.

Note: The IHA cover includes travel insurance for IHA National Teams attending IIHF World Championships only. All other travelling teams/players must source their own travel insurance. (www.ihwa.org.au/insurance/).

- 1.7.2. Any player injured whereby a claim is lodged on the Association's Sportscover Insurance Policy must have a medical clearance before the player can participate in further IHWA sanctioned training, Competition games or events. The medical clearance should be provided via the club Secretary to the IHWA Secretary at secretary@ihwa.org.au at the earliest possible convenience.
- 1.7.3. All registered members of IHWA (players, coaches, on-ice officials and non-playing officials) are eligible to claim on the IHA insurance for ice hockey related incidents in sanctioned games or trainings. Please see links to the relevant Ice Hockey Australia insurance pages in Schedule 5.
- 1.7.4. Sportscover Insurance does not cover the player for injury sustained in an unsanctioned Competition or games run as commercial ventures.

1.8. PLAYER TRANSFERS AND TRANSFER PROCESS

- 1.8.1. IHWA is responsible for transfers of Western Australian registrations between Clubs, States and Internationally.
- 1.8.2. A player may only transfer between Clubs prior to the season starting using the official IHWA Transfer Form. The cut-off date for transfers is 10 business days prior to the Nominated Season start date. The Transfer Application Form can be found at Schedule 2.
- 1.8.3. Once the season has started, transfers between teams, or between Clubs will only be considered in extenuating circumstances. Only written applications to the IHWA Secretary will be considered.
- 1.8.4. The gaining club Secretary shall initiate the transfer using the IHWA Transfer Application Form, by sending the required form to the releasing club Secretary, copying in the IHWA Secretary. If no response is received from the releasing club within 10 business days, the transfer shall be deemed to be approved, confirmed by the IHWA Secretary in writing accordingly.
- 1.8.5. The releasing club may withhold approval for a player transfer to another club if the player owes money, property or apparel to the club. Approval must not be unreasonably withheld. Upon receiving notice of withheld approval from the releasing club, the reasonable duration for automatic release shall be paused, until such time as the issues affecting release are resolved.
- 1.8.6. An application can be made to the Operational Subcommittee for consideration and recommendation to the Council using the IHWA Transfer Application form if a player is wishing to transfer after the date referred to in 1.8.2., with a \$100 fee payable to the releasing club/association.

1.9. APPROVAL OF TEAM/CLUB LOGOS

- 1.9.1. All new Team / Club logos require approval by IHWA prior to that logo being utilised as part of the IHWA Competition. Through the IHWA Secretary, the Operations Sub-committee, shall consider all requests for new team logos no later than one month prior to the season starting.
- 1.9.2. IHWA shall maintain a catalogue of approved logos and colour schemes. This will be available online through the IHWA website.
- 1.9.3. The approval process for proposed new logos shall be:

- a) The Proposer shall submit a coloured print mock-up of the proposed logo design to the IHWA Secretary (for consideration of the Operations Subcommittee), with details of the Competition, Division, and Team relevant to the proposed jersey.
- b) The Operations Subcommittee shall consider the proposal and make a recommendation to the Council to approve or not approve the proposal in line with and in comparison to other logos within the Association.

1.9.4. Upon approval, the IHWA Secretary shall add the design to the approved catalogue and advise the Proposer of the outcome.

1.10. APPROVAL OF TEAM JERSEYS

1.10.1. All New Team Jerseys require approval by the Operations Subcommittee prior to a team being admitted into the competition. The Operations Subcommittee, for Council approval, shall consider all requests for new team jerseys no later than one month prior to the season starting and maintain a catalogue of approved jerseys and socks.

1.10.2. The approval process for proposed new jerseys shall be:

- a) The Proposer shall submit a coloured print mock-up of the proposed jersey and socks design to IHWA Secretary with details of Competition, Division, and Team.
- b) Proposals may include a Home and Away jersey pair or an alternate jersey for use to avoid clashes.
- c) The Operations Subcommittee shall consider the proposal and make a recommendation to the Council to approve or not approve the proposal.

1.10.3. Once Council approves the use of the proposed jersey and socks, the IHWA Secretary shall add the design to the approved jersey catalogue and advise the Proposer of the outcome.

1.10.4. IHWA shall maintain a catalogue of approved jersey designs and colours. This will be available online through the IHWA website.

2. COMPETITION PLANNING AND SCHEDULING

2.1. COMPETITION GENERAL

2.1.1. The IHWA Council shall determine the start date of the Winter Competition by no later than the December meeting of the Council for the pending season.

2.1.2. The Operations Subcommittee at the end of the current season will consider the promotion/relegation of teams between Divisions (based on the final standings of the regular season) and make recommendations to the Council for the scheduler's consideration in the development of the draft schedule of the pending season.

2.1.3. The Council shall appoint a Scheduler who is responsible for the calculation and updating of the Competition Schedules and disseminating schedule information to nominated addresses for their further distribution to the membership.

- a) Scheduler to produce a proposed schedule to the clubs no less than 4 weeks prior to the season start, based on planning meeting team lists submitted so the clubs can look for conflicts, abnormal

double headers and byes. Clubs will have 7 days to return to the scheduler any items for consideration.

- b) The schedule is then to be released as final to clubs for distribution to their members no later than 2 weeks before season starts.
- c) Changes to the schedule once the schedule is finalized and distributed will only occur in extenuating circumstances.

2.1.4. The Referee-in-Chief shall be responsible for liaising with the Club's Officials Co-Ordinator each week for the assignment of on-ice official for the Competition fixtures and disseminating the officials schedule information to the nominated officials.

2.1.5. The structure of the IHWA Winter Competition shall be:

Premier Division	(Open - Men's Only - Checking)
Division 1	(Open - Mixed Gender – Non-Checking)
Division 2	(Open - Mixed Gender – Non-Checking)
Division 3	(Open - Mixed Gender – Non-Checking)
Division 4	(Open - Mixed Gender – Non-Checking)
17 & Under Division	(17 years and under - Mixed Gender - Checking)
15 & Under Division	(15 years and under - Mixed Gender – Modified Checking)
13 & Under Division	(13 years and under - Mixed Gender - Non-Checking)
11U Division	(11 years and under - Mixed Gender - Non-Checking)
9U Division	(9 years and under – Mixed Gender, Non-Checking, Cross Ice)

2.2. SANCTIONED EVENTS

2.2.1. IHWA is responsible for the sanction of ice hockey events in Western Australia.

- a) Any requests for sanctioning should be put through the Operations Subcommittee using the form found here. They will then make recommendations to Council for approval using criteria set out by IHWA that can be found here.
- b) IHWA will not sanction any Ice Hockey events that are run for commercial gain.

2.2.2. Ice Hockey events conducted in conjunction with other States:

- a) bilaterally with another State, require the sanction of both State Associations;
- b) by more than two States, and all events involving international teams require the sanction of IHA, with IHWA contributing its sanction or not to IHA for those multi-lateral events conducted in Western Australia.

2.2.3. Regularly scheduled events conducted in accordance with IHA regulations, including games, State training, club training and Club/State scrimmages are sanctioned automatically.

2.3. CLUB TEAMS

2.3.1. Clubs shall submit a list of Team names by Division to the IHWA Secretary no later than six (6) weeks prior to the start of the Winter Competition so the schedule can be finalised. IHWA will give the team names to the Scheduler for inclusion to the schedule as well as Esportsdesk. Clubs are then responsible to ensure players are added to those teams in Esportsdesk once registered.

2.3.2. For each team named in Clause 2.3.1 for entry into the Winter Competition, Clubs shall submit draft Team rosters at least 2 weeks prior to the start of the season to the IHWA Secretary for the Official Scheduler. The template can be found in Schedule 1.

The penalty for withdrawing a team shall be as follows:

- a) A Club that withdraws a Team 36 days prior to the commencement of the Winter Competition shall not receive a penalty
- b) A Club that withdraws a Team between 35 and 28 days prior to the proposed commencement of the Winter Competition shall incur a fine of \$250 payable to Western Australian Ice Hockey Association Inc.
- c) A Club that withdraws a Team between 27 and 21 days prior to the proposed commencement of the Winter Competition shall incur a fine of \$400 payable to Western Australian Ice Hockey Association Inc.
- d) A Club that withdraws a Team between 20 and 14 days prior to the proposed commencement of the Winter Competition shall incur a fine of \$550 payable to Western Australian Ice Hockey Association Inc.
- e) A Club that withdraws a Team between 13 and 1 day prior to the proposed commencement of the Winter Competition shall incur a fine of \$800 payable to Western Australian Ice Hockey Association Inc.
- f) A Club that withdraws a Team after the proposed commencement of the Winter Competition shall incur a fine of \$1200 payable to Western Australian Ice Hockey Association Inc.

Penalties shall be incurred based on notification being provided in writing to IHWA Secretary before or after 7.30pm of the nominate cut-off day.

2.3.3. In respect of Team roster preparation:

- a) A trial period shall exist until after the second game of the season for that team, with final teams locked in from the third game.
- b) In the trial period, Clubs may transfer players between their Team rosters as they see fit.
- c) Final Team rosters shall be submitted to the IHWA Secretary, by the Wednesday following the second game of each division.
- d) In the absence of other advice, the Club Team rosters shall be deemed 'Final' from the Wednesday following the second game.

2.3.4. In respect of final Team rosters:

- a) Transfer of members between Clubs are to follow the IHWA Player Transfer Process (Refer to Section 1.8); and
- b) There are no transfer fees associated with internal transfers between a Club's teams if done before the season starts.

2.3.5. Final Team rosters submitted for entry into IHWA Winter Competition shall include:

- a) A minimum current IHA Level 1 Accredited and Esports registered coach
(Division 1, Division 2 & Division 3 teams may field a player/coach, but it is strongly recommended that they have a bench coach. All other Teams must have a minimum current IHA Level 1 Accredited bench coach)
- b) An Esportsdesk registered Team Manager;
- c) Esportsdesk registered volunteers for Scorekeeping and Timekeeping;
- d) A minimum roster of fourteen (13) core players plus a nominated Goalie for senior teams and a minimum of six (6) core players plus a nominated Goalie for junior teams, unless approved by the IHWA Council upon a written proposal being submitted.

2.3.6. Core players are those players on a given Team roster who will play for that team as a priority in the event of a schedule conflict.

2.3.7. Teams that fail to meet the requirements of Section 2.3.5d, will not be entered into the Competition.

- 2.3.8. The Coaching Director shall submit a list of accredited, registered coaches to the IHWA Secretary and Club Secretaries at least 1 week prior to the commencement of the Competition. Coaches must have a current minimum of IHA Level 1 accredited coaching qualifications to undertake bench duties.
- 2.3.9. Referees and Coaches who wish to have overseas qualifications recognised by IHWA must apply to IHA to obtain the respective referee or coaching accreditation in writing from the IHA delegate/authorised person. A Resolution by the full Council is required to waive this requirement. The Applicant is solely responsible for obtaining such accreditation from IHA according to the provisions of IHA, prior to undertaking official duties. Applications to IHA are to be made via the IHWA Secretary only.

2.4. BENCH REQUIREMENTS

- 2.4.1. Teams, except as indicated in Section 2.3.5, require at the minimum one current, registered, IHA Level 1 accredited coach to be present on their bench. Failure to do so will result in a game forfeit.
- 2.4.2. Division 1, 2 and 3 teams may use a player-coach to satisfy the one registered, current IHA Level 1 accredited coach to be present on their bench. If the player-coach is unable to continue in a game due to misconduct, and a replacement is not available, then a game forfeit shall apply.
- 2.4.3. Premier League, Division 4 and all Junior teams must have one registered, current IHA Level 1 accredited coach to be present on their bench. If the player-coach is unable to continue in a game due to misconduct, and a replacement is not available, then a game forfeit shall apply.

2.5. GAME FORFEITS

- 2.5.1. For any team that forfeits or cancels any games in any Division with less than 2 weeks' notice to IHWA, the parent Club will be required to pay full ice time costs of the forfeit game. The other team will be granted a 'first right of refusal' to use the ice during that session and if that ice is not used by the team it will revert to IHWA to use as it sees fit.
- 2.5.2. Where it is not possible for clubs to provide 2 weeks' notice due to IHWA schedules being unavailable, a club will not incur the cost.
- 2.5.3. If a game is cancelled due to non-availability of on-ice officials, IHWA will not charge the Clubs for the respective ice time.

2.6. PLAYERS IN MULTIPLE TEAMS

Note: Unless otherwise indicated, 'player' includes 'goaltender'

Note: Section 2.6 is not applicable to Juniors and/or Division 1 players playing into Premier League.

- 2.6.1. A player may be a core player for only one team. A core player is required to play scheduled games with this team in precedence to another team.
- 2.6.2. Players may play in only one team within a division.
- 2.6.3. Players may only play up one division.
- 2.6.4. Players may only play up on a maximum of one third of the seasons games played in the higher division.
- a) Once players have reached the above maximum number of games they are to let their club and IHWA know which team they will continue playing to relinquish their spot on the second team.
- 2.6.5. Players who currently play for any AIHL teams (including Perth Thunder) are welcome to play in IHWA Competition, but are not to play in any Division other than Premier League (or 17U pending their age eligibility). If a player who currently plays for an AIHL team plays for a team in a division outside of either Premier League or 17U, that team will forfeit the game.

- 2.6.6. Players are required to play with their nominated team in precedence to play-up teams. Requests for exceptions shall be referred by the Club to the IHWA Eligibility Review Panel (ERP) for a ruling if they have come from a club with juniors to a club with seniors only.
- 2.6.7. Players must play a minimum of one third of the games in a season within a team to qualify to play in Finals with that team.
- 2.6.8. A registered player who is injured after registration and does not fulfil the required number of games for qualification for finals may (on producing an original doctor's certificate for the period concerned) apply to the Eligibility Review Panel for special dispensation. Requests for player eligibility exceptions in the Finals shall be referred by the Club to the IHWA Eligibility Review Panel, citing the extenuating circumstances.
- 2.6.9. No players are permitted to play more than 2 division games per schedule round (usually weekly), except where a double header is scheduled in either division.
- 2.6.10. A player's failure to abide by limits set in Section 2.6.9 will result in an automatic 3 game suspension to be served in the division in which the player is nominated as a core player in the first instance and a multiplying of suspensions for additional breaches.
 - a) First breach – 3 game suspension
 - b) Second breach – 6 game suspension
 - c) Third breach – 9 game suspension and player no longer qualifies for finals.

2.7. GOALTENDERS

- 2.7.1. A goaltender may be a core player for only one team.
- 2.7.2. Goaltenders are required to play within their age appropriate division team in precedence to play-up teams. Requests for exceptions may be made to the IHWA Eligibility Review Panel.
- 2.7.3. Where a goaltender is not available from the same division, alternative (fill-in) goaltenders must be sought in the following order of priority:

Senior Divisions

- a) Same Club / Same Division
- b) Same Club / Lower Division
- c) Different Club / Same Division
- d) Different Club / Lower Division

Where a fill-in goaltender is required in the lowest division of the senior competition, an 17U Goal Tender may be approached provided the player is not a play-up player from the 15U age group.

Junior Divisions

- a) Same Club / Same Division
- b) Same Club / Lower Division (1 Level)
- c) Different Club / Same Division
- d) Different Club / Lower Division (1 Level)
- e) Same Club / Higher Division (1 Level)
- f) Different Club / Higher Division (1 Level)

Where a fill-in goaltender from a lower division is approached, that goaltender must not be a play-up player in that lower division.

Fill-in goaltenders are not eligible to qualify to play Finals.

- 2.7.4. Senior goaltenders cannot play down into Junior divisions except where 2.7.3 applies.

Failure to comply with this requirement will result in the game being forfeited by the non-complying team.

- 2.7.5. Goaltenders must play a minimum of six (6) games and at least 340 (three hundred and forty) minutes in a season within a team to qualify to play Finals.
- 2.7.6. Goaltenders may be released to play for other teams at the discretion of their parent Club. Borrowing Clubs shall adhere to the parent Club's process in requesting goaltenders. A non-core goaltender cannot play finals unless approval for exceptional circumstances is applied for. This can be verbally requested through the Operations subcommittee, who will make recommendations to Council.
- 2.7.7. Goaltenders are exempt from Section 2.6.9 and 2.6.10 and may play more than 2 division games per schedule round, but no more than 3 (unless double headers are scheduled).
- 2.7.8. Female goaltenders may:
 - a) play in Men's checking Competitions

2.8. ELIGIBILITY REVIEW PANEL

- 2.8.1. The Eligibility Review process must be adhered to as set down each year by the Eligibility Review Panel.
- 2.8.2. The Eligibility Review Panel shall deliberate on:
 - a) All matters referred to it by the IHWA Council or Operations Subcommittee
 - b) Applications made by individual Clubs via the IHWA Secretary
 - c) other matters of eligibility or development that the Council determines to be appropriate.

2.9. PLAY-UP PROCESS

- 2.9.1. All requests for exemption to play out of the eligible age-appropriate division shall be made to the IHWA Eligibility Review Panel via the IHWA Secretary, following the ERP Process.

The following exceptions apply:

- a) Players who are 9 in the current year may play in the 11 & Under division upon invitation of the Coaches, with Club endorsement and written parental consent.
 - b) Players who are 11 in the current year may play in the 13 & Under division upon invitation of the Coaches, with Club endorsement and written parental consent.
 - c) Players who are 13 in the current year may play in the 15 & Under division upon invitation of the Coaches, with Club endorsement and written parental consent.
 - d) Players who are 15 in the current year may play in the 17 & Under division upon invitation of the Coaches, with Club endorsement and written parental consent.
 - e) Players who are 16 in the current year may play in a Senior division upon invitation of the Coaches, with Club endorsement and written parental consent.
- 2.9.2. Players in their last year of 17U are encouraged to join a senior team in training and/or games to facilitate the transition into this Competition the following year.
 - 2.9.3. Players 17 years of age or younger wishing to play outside the Junior Competition (play in the Senior Competition only), must apply through the ERP process and be approved by the IHWA Council (The IHWA Council may seek further approval from IHA as part of this process).

3. MEETINGS

- 3.1.1. The Operations Sub-committee shall convene regular meetings to enable the ongoing planning and consideration of parameters for the competition, to ensure the ongoing operation and delivery of the competition.
- 3.1.2. Through the planning months (off-season), meetings should review and recommend updates to these rules, with consideration of player numbers in determining division sizes, age categories or skill levels to achieve the long-term goal of reducing disparity between player development.
- 3.1.3. Through the operating months, meetings should use these rules to manage the operation of the competition and monitor and review the effectiveness of these rules for consideration during the planning meeting/s for the following competition season.

4. GAME SCHEDULING AND PROTOCOL

4.1. GAME SCHEDULING

- 4.1.1. IHWA will endeavour where possible to avoid scheduling Competition games that clash with the following:
 - a) McCrae Jamboree: no changes to our schedule needed
 - b) Ginsberg Trophy: no 13U games
 - c) DeFris Trophy: no 13U & 15U games
 - d) Tange Trophy: no 15U & 17U Games
 - e) Brown Trophy: no Division 1 or Premier League Games
 - f) OIHAN: Clubs to apply with 6 weeks notice to IHWA Secretary
 - g) No Junior games to be scheduled the middle weekend of both the July and September School holidays.
 - h) No Premier League games when Perth Thunder is playing their home games
- 4.1.2. All games will be scheduled primarily on weekends including public holiday weekends (except for Easter) unless otherwise specified. The weekend games schedule shall commence Friday Night and conclude Sunday Night.
- 4.1.3. The Schedule will allocate teams equal home and away games to the greatest extent possible. The home venues are recognised as follows:
 - a) Hawks – Cockburn Ice Arena (CIA)
 - b) NIHA – Perth Ice Arena (PIA)
 - c) West Coast – Perth Ice Arena (PIA)
 - d) Brave Hearts – Cockburn Ice Arena (CIA)
- 4.1.4. All teams will play other teams within their Division an equal number of times (where possible) and as such the number of Division games within a season will vary depending on the number of teams within that Division. If equal number of head-to-head games is not possible, then all teams will have equal number of games.

4.2. GAME PROTOCOLS

- 4.2.1. Game times in the Regular season fixtures shall comprise:

- a) 9 & Under (9U)
 - i. Cross-ice games consisting of four (4) randomly selected teams playing three periods 16 minutes duration in running time
 - ii. Three (3) minutes warm-up time
 - iii. Two (2) minutes between periods
 - iv. Temporary boards may be set-up prior to the scheduled ice time in preparation for the cross-ice configuration.
- b) 11 & Under (11U), 13 & Under (13U), 15 & Under (15U), 17 & Under (17U), Division 4, Division 3, Division 2 and Division 1
 - i. The scheduled start time shall be the start time;
 - ii. Periods 1 and 2 shall be of 20 minutes duration in running time;
 - iii. The clock is to be set to 27 minutes for period 1 only, this includes a 5 minute warm up to be started when the referee indicates players can hit the ice and a 2 minute preparation time for puck drop
 - iv. Period 3 shall be of 20 minutes duration in running time but adjusted accordingly to align with the scheduled finish time (regardless of delay / injury etc.);
 - v. Two (2) minutes between periods.
- c) Premier League:
 - i. The scheduled start time shall be the start time;
 - ii. Periods 1 and 2 of 20 minutes duration in running time;
 - iii. Period 3 of 15 minutes duration in stop time;
 - iv. Five (5) minutes warm-up time;
 - v. Two (2) minutes between periods.
- d) The puck shall be dropped to commence the game at the scheduled start time for the game, unless it is a rink or officials issue that the game is running late for. If this is the case, then the game will be shortened by the amount of time taken for the late start. The timekeeper will be responsible for noting this down.
- e) The timekeeper shall be provided by the home team and the scorer shall be provided by the away team; they are required to be in place 10 minutes prior to the game commencing.
- f) Team Managers are responsible for providing the list of players and team officials to the scorer 10 minutes before the scheduled start of the game and are required to check all details on the gamesheet are 100% correct and then sign as confirmation this is the case before the game starts;
- g) It is the responsibility of the Team Coach and/or Manager that any injuries to players are written on the gamesheet before it is finalised and signed by the Referees. The Team Coach and/or Manager shall complete an 'Injury Report Form' and submit to the IHWA Secretary with 48 hours.

4.2.2. The team listed in the Schedule as the Home Team shall be responsible for:

- a) Providing a timekeeper for the game;
- b) Jersey allocations if clashing; and
- c) Any variation to these provisions being agreed between the teams concerned.

4.2.3. IHWA shall provide each rink with 30 pucks at the start of the season for game and warm-ups of IHWA Competition games and topped up twice throughout the season (if needed). Officials are to return the pucks to storage at the rink after games.

4.2.4. Injury time may be taken for up to 10 minutes upon the instruction of the Referee to ensure the safety of a player and/or replacement of the player.

Upon notification of the injury time being taken, the time clock shall be stopped. Upon re-start of the game, the game duration shall be maintained.

Should more time be required than the allotted 10 minutes, the game clock will be re-started, and the overall game time reduced to maintain the prompt start time of the following game(s).

4.3. COMPETITION AND DIVISION FORMATS

4.3.1. Divisions are the scheduled competitions within the Competition.

4.3.2. Age eligibility in the Divisions is based a player's age on 31st December in current year, or alternatively, a date of birth year in the following table:

Division	Age Group	2024	2025	2026
9U	9 & Under	2015	2016	2017
11U	11 & Under	2013	2014	2015
13U	13 & Under	2011	2012	2013
15U	15 & Under	2009	2010	2011
17U	17 & Under	2007	2008	2009
Senior (minimum age)	16 & Over	2008	2009	2010

Table 3 – Age Eligibility

4.3.3. 9 and Under

- a) Mixed gender players aged 9 years and under.
- b) This is an introductory category designed to assist children to assimilate into ice hockey at very young ages.
- c) There is no minimum age at this time.
- d) Esportsdesk registration provides insurance and national administration; by agreement throughout Australia, there are no additional State fees for 9u players.

4.3.4. 11 and Under

- a) Mixed gender players aged 11 years and under.
- b) The 11U division is an introductory series of exhibition games designed to assist children to assimilate into ice hockey.

4.3.5. 13 And Under

- a) Mixed gender players aged 13 years and under.
- b) 13U is a non-checking division, playing on full ice, with all other rules applicable (including the slapshot).
- c) Player contact is expected.

4.3.6. 15 And Under

- a) Mixed gender players aged 15 years and under.
 - b) The 15U division is a modified-checking Competition.
 - c) The 15U division is an intermediate Competition designed to assist younger and new players assimilate into a youth body-checking Competition
- 4.3.7. 17 And Under
- a) Mixed gender players aged 17 years and under.
 - b) The 17U division is a full body-checking Competition.
- 4.3.8. Seniors Division 4 - Non Checking
- a) Mixed gender, Adult open age (16+) competition non-checking for teams of players of an introductory level of skill and experience.
 - b) Player contact is expected.
- 4.3.9. Seniors Division 3 - Non Checking
- a) Mixed gender, Adult open age (16+) competition non-checking for teams of players of an introductory to intermediate level of skill and experience.
 - b) Player contact is expected.
- 4.3.10. Seniors Division 2 - Non Checking
- a) Mixed gender, Adult open age (16+) competition non-checking for teams of players of an intermediate to high level of skill and experience.
 - b) Player contact is expected.
- 4.3.11. Seniors Division 1 - Non Checking
- a) Mixed gender, Adult open age (16+) competition with no body-checking for teams of players of a high level of skill and experience.
 - b) Player contact is expected.
- 4.3.12. Men's Open – Premier League
- a) Men's only open age (16+) full body-checking competition comprising players of the highest available skills.
 - b) The minimum age for this competition is the year in which the individual turns 16 years (Born in 2008 – for 2024 season).
 - c) Female goaltenders may play in this division.
- 4.3.13. Exceptions to the above age divisions are to be sent to the Eligibility Review Panel for discussion and approval. This includes junior players playing into Senior Divisions.
- 4.3.14. IHA and IIHF regulation do not permit females to play in a checking division with males 19 years and over, except for female goaltenders.
- 4.3.15. Where an uneven number of games are played by participating teams in a given competition and an additional game is therefore played by one particular team, the points (win/loss/overtime win/overtime loss) associated with the last game played shall only be applied to the team having played the fewer number of games.
- 4.3.16. Where an uneven number of games are played by participating teams in a given competition and an additional game is therefore played by one particular team, the individual statistics (goals/assists/shots etc.) associated with the last game played shall only be applied to the individuals of the team having played the fewer number of games.

4.4. FORMAT OF FINALS PLAY-OFFS:

4.4.1. 3.3.1 General

- a) For Premier League and Division 1, finals shall be scheduled to provide the team which finishes higher on the regular season ladder with 'Home Ice' (as a priority over other divisions).
- b) For Divisions 2 to 4, finals shall be scheduled to provide the team which finishes higher on the regular season ladder with 'Home Ice' (wherever possible).
- c) For Junior Divisions, finals shall be scheduled to provide the team which finishes higher on the regular season ladder with 'Home Ice' (wherever possible).
- d) Medals will be presented to the Winners and runners up at the Grand Final game of each division.

4.4.2. Semi Finals

- a) Semi-Finals for each division shall consist of the following (excluding 9U):
 - o 1 v 4, and 2 v 3; and
 - o The winners of the semi-finals games will go into the Grand Final playoff for Gold and Silver placing.
 - o The losers of the semi-finals games will go into the Bronze Medal Game with the winner of that game being awarded the Bronze Medal for that competition.
- b) Semi Finals resulting in a draw shall go straight to a best of 5 shoot-out after which a golden goal shoot-out shall apply.

4.4.3. Grand Finals (Premier League)

- a) Grand Final play-offs will be a best of three games series over two weekends; home ice shall alternate starting with the team finishing higher in regular season being designated 'Home Ice' first
- b) Game timing will be the same as regular season games with no ice cuts.
- c) In the case of one team winning the first 2 games of the Grand Final Play-off series, the 3rd game will not be required.
- d) Bronze Medal games will not be played in the Premier League.
- e) GOLD and BRONZE medal games (where applicable) resulting in a draw shall be decided via a 10-minute overtime under normal game conditions with a golden goal rule applied. Should the game still be drawn at the completion of the overtime period, a best of 5 shoot-outs shall apply, after which a golden goal shoot-out shall apply.

4.4.4. Grand Finals (Senior Divisions 1 to 4)

- a) In all other Senior divisions except those named in Section 4.4.3, there shall be a one game Grand Final play-off with the game timings to be the same as regular season games, with no ice cuts.
- b) Bronze Medal games shall apply where divisions consist of four (4) or more teams only.
- c) GOLD and BRONZE medal games (where applicable) resulting in a draw shall be decided via a 10-minute overtime under normal game conditions with a golden goal rule applied. Should the game still be drawn at the completion of the overtime period, a best of 5 shoot-outs shall apply, after which a golden goal shoot-out shall apply.

4.4.5. Grand Finals (all Junior Divisions excluding 9U)

- a) In all Junior divisions, there shall be a one game Grand Final play-off consisting of 3 periods of 20 minutes duration in running time with no ice cuts.
- b) Bronze Medal games shall apply where divisions consist of four (4) or more teams only.
- c) GOLD and BRONZE medal games (where applicable) resulting in a draw shall be decided via a 10-minute overtime under normal game conditions with a golden goal rule applied. Should the game

still be drawn at the completion of the overtime period, a best of 5 shoot-outs shall apply, after which a golden goal shoot-out shall apply.

4.5. IHWA SEASON AWARDS

4.5.1. Association Awards

- a) All Association based awards are based on regular home and away scheduled Competition games. Regular season awards do not include finals.
- b) A Junior and Senior 'On-Ice Official of the Year' award is presented annually chosen by the Referee-in Chief.

4.5.2. Competition Awards will comprise the following awards in each division:

- a) Most Valuable Player (voted by the On Ice Officials at the end of every Regular Season Game)
- b) Top Point Scorer (based on ESports statistics)
- c) Best Goaltender (based on Officials voting at each game as well as coaches voting 3-2-1 at the end of season)

4.5.3. IHWA Secretary to notify the club secretaries who is in contention for the awards so the finalists can be present at the Grand Final for their division to accept the award if they win.

4.5.4. Presentations of the divisional winners will be presented at the conclusion of each division Grand Final.

4.5.5. PRESENTATIONS

a) Medals

- 9U – Participation Medals engraved with "IHWA 9U Division – 2024" presented to all participants at the final on-ice game of the season.
- 11U – Gold, Silver and Bronze presented to teams irrespective of the number of teams participating in the competition, all presented at the Gold Medal Game where 3 teams exist, or at the respective Gold/Bronze medal game where applicable.
- 17U, 15U and 13U – Gold, Silver and Bronze presented to teams where more than 3 teams exist (Bronze medal not presented where only 3 teams exist), all presented at the respective Gold/Bronze medal game where applicable.
- Premier League, Division 1, Division 2, Division 3, Division 4 – Gold, Silver and Bronze presented to teams where more than 3 teams exist (Bronze medal not presented where only 3 teams exist), all presented at the respective Gold/Bronze medal game where applicable.
- Referees will be presented with medals for officiating each finals game, presented as part of the awards presentation of the respective final (Bronze/Gold Medal Game)

b) Trophies

- 11U – Most Improved for one player only within the division (Appointed by the respective Coaches)
- 13U, 15U, 17U, Div 1, Div 2, Div 3, Div 4, Prem - Top Point Scorer, Best Goalie, Best Defender, MVP, Player of the Game (Gold Medal), Senior Official, Junior Official (Presented at the Gold Medal Game of each respective competition)

c) Other Awards

- The Association Awards for Junior and Senior 'On-Ice Official of the Year' shall be presented as part of the presentation ceremony for the Premier League Division.
- Other Awards presented by the Association (Life Membership etc.) shall be presented as part of the presentation ceremony for the Premier League Division.

Schedule 2

IHWA PLAYER TRANSFER FORM

<u>SECTION 1 - APPLICANT</u>		
NAME: _____		
(FIRST NAME)	(SURNAME)	
ADDRESS: _____		
(STREET)	(SUBURB)	(POSTCODE)
TRANSFER FROM: _____		TO: _____
(CLUB)	(CLUB)	
REASON FOR TRANSFER (Optional): _____		

SIGNED: _____		DATE: _____
PARENT/GUARDIAN IF U/18: _____		

<u>SECTION 2 – CURRENT CLUB PRESIDENT/SECRETARY</u>		
CLUB NAME: _____		
PRESIDENT/SECRETARY'S NAME: _____		
APPROVAL OF TRANSFER / CLEARANCE:	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
IF NO, PLEASE STATE REASON: _____		

SIGNED: _____		DATE: _____

<u>SECTION 3 – NEW CLUB PRESIDENT/SECRETARY</u>		
CLUB NAME: _____		
PRESIDENT/SECRETARY'S NAME: _____		
APPROVAL OF TRANSFER / CLEARANCE:	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
IF NO, PLEASE STATE REASON: _____		

SIGNED: _____		DATE: _____

Date Sent to IHWA: _____

Schedule 3

IHWA COMPETITION - BREACH / COMPLAINT / DISPUTE FORM

The IHWA Competition Breach / Complaint / Dispute Form shall be used to address issues relating to breaches of the Competition Rules and IHWA Codes of Conduct in the participation of IHWA Sanctioned Games, Tournaments and/or Events (for more serious breaches of the IHWA Constitution and IHA Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, the IHA and IHWA Disputes Management Process should be referred to (IHWA-GOV-PRO-001).

Game Number:		Home Team:	
		Away Team:	
Venue:		Referee(s):	
Date:			
Time:			

Reference Documents:	
(Reference required of the respective document and clause related to the breach / complaint / dispute)	

Comments:	
Witness 1:	Witness 2:

Complainant Name:

Contact Mobile:

Signature:

Contact Email:

This form shall be completed and submitted through the relevant Club Secretary to the IHWA Secretary at secretary@ihwa.org.au stating critical information relating to the complaint, dispute and/or breach of the established Competition Rules, submitted within the stipulated time period of 72 hours from the commencement of the related game/event.

Schedule 4

IHWA COMPETITION - EXEMPTION REQUEST FORM

The IHWA Competition - Exemption Request shall be used to address requests for exemption from the Competition Rules as approved by the IHWA Council.

Player/Official Name:			
Club:		Team:	

Reference Documents:	
(Reference required of the respective document and clause related to the request for exemption)	

Request:	
Game No.:	Venue:
Date:	Time:

Club Secretary / President:	
Signed:	

IHWA Approval:	YES / NO
Signed:	
Date / Time:	

This form shall be submitted through the relevant Club Secretary to the IHWA Secretary at secretary@ihwa.org.au stating critical information relating to the request for exemption from the established Competition Rules, submitted within the stipulated time period of 48 hours prior to the commencement of the related game/event.

Schedule 5

INSURANCE AND INJURY

IHA Player & Travel Insurance Web Page:

[Insurance - Ice Hockey Australia \(iha.org.au\)](http://iha.org.au)

Injury Report Form and Requirements:

[Ice Hockey Australia – Gallagher \(ajg.com.au\)](http://ajg.com.au)

Schedule 6

CUMULATIVE PENALTIES

Penalty System IHWA Division Junior to Division 1				
Cumulative Penalties				
Penalties	Total PIM	Game in progress	Supplementary	Tribunal
2+2+2+2	8	Removal of remainder of the game	No	No
2+2+5	9	Removal of remainder of the game	No	No
2+2+2+10	16	Removal of remainder of the game	No	No
2+5+10	17	Removal of remainder of the game	No	No
5+5	10	Removal of remainder of the game	No	No
5+10	15	Removal of remainder of the game	No	No
Standard penalties under the IHA guidelines				
GM	20	Removal of remainder of the game	No	TBD
5+GM	25	Removal of remainder of the game	TBD	Tribunal Consideration
Match	25	Removal of remainder of the game	TBD	Tribunal Consideration
GM (Abuse of official)	20	Removal of remainder of the game	TBD	Tribunal Consideration
Penalties in the last 1/2 of the last period				
GM	20	Removal of remainder of the game	1 Game Suspension	Tribunal Consideration
Match	25	Removal of remainder of the game	1 Game Suspension	Tribunal Consideration
Abuse of officials	20	Removal of remainder of the game	TBD	Tribunal
Rule of Thumb for Cumulative Penalty Situations				
+7 or more minutes in one game		Removal from game no Supplementary penalty		
2x Major		Removal from game no Supplementary penalty		
Major + more than 1 Minor		Removal from game no Supplementary penalty		
Penalty System IHWA Premier League				
Cumulative Penalties				
Penalties	Total PIM	Game in progress	Supplementary	Tribunal
5+5	10	Removal of remainder of the game	No	No
2+2+2+2+2	10	Removal of remainder of the game	No	No
2+2+2+5	11	Removal of remainder of the game	No	No
2+2+2+10	16	Removal of remainder of the game	No	No
2+2+5+10	19	Removal of remainder of the game	No	No
Standard penalties under the IHA guidelines				
GM	20	Removal of remainder of the game	No	TBD
5+GM	25	Removal of remainder of the game	TBD	Tribunal Consideration
Match	25	Removal of remainder of the game	TBD	Tribunal Consideration
2+5+MATCH (FIGHTING)	27	Removal of remainder of the game	TBD	Tribunal
GM (Abuse of official)	20	Removal of remainder of the game	TBD	Tribunal
Penalties in the last 1/2 of the last period				
GM	20	Removal of remainder of the game	1 Game Suspension	Tribunal Consideration
Match	25	Removal of remainder of the game	1 Game Suspension	Tribunal Consideration
Abuse of officials	20	Removal of remainder of the game	TBD	Tribunal
Rule of Thumb for Cumulative Penalty Situations				
+9 or more minutes in one game		Removal from game no Supplementary penalty		
2x Major		Removal from game no Supplementary penalty		
Major + more than 2 Minor		Removal from game no Supplementary penalty		

Player season and Team Cumulative Penalties Junior to Division 1

Player Season PIM				
Penalties	Total PIM	Penalty	Supplementary	Tribunal
Minor Penalties	76	1 game suspension	NO	TBA
Minor Penalties	80	Unable to play Finals	NO	TBA
Minor Penalties	86	Removed from playing for remainder of season	TBA	Yes
Major 5 min	40 (8)	1 game suspension	NO	TBA
Major 5 min	45 (9)	Unable to play Finals	NO	TBA
Major 5 min	50 (10)	Removed from playing for remainder of season	TBA	Yes
GM/Match	75	2 additional game suspension over any regulatory suspension	TBA	Yes
GM/Match	85	Removed from playing for remainder of season	TBA	Yes

Player season and Team Cumulative Penalties PL

Player Season PIM				
Penalties	Total PIM	Penalty	Supplementary	Tribunal
Minor Penalties	79	1 game suspension		
Minor Penalties	83	Unable to play Finals		
Minor Penalties	89	Removed from playing for remainder of season		Hearing
Major 5 min	45 (9)	1 game suspension		
Major 5 min	50 (10)	Unable to play Finals		
Major 5 min	55 (11)	Removed from playing for remainder of season		
GM/Match	75	2 additional game suspension over any regulatory suspension		
GM/Match	85	Removed from playing for remainder of season		

Team Season PIM				
Penalties	Total PIM	Penalty	Supplementary	Tribunal
	150	2 championship points removed		
	180	4 championship points removed		
	200	Forfeiture to play finals		
	210	Club, Team manager and Coach to present to IHWA		hearing

See also:

1. <http://www.iha.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/2022-2023-IHA-Rules-Emphasis-and-Officiating-Standards-v1.1.pdf>
2. <http://www.iha.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/2022-2023-IHA-Suspension-Guidelines-v1.2.pdf>
3. <https://d388jd1nwemigh.cloudfront.net/uploads/downloads/Aanpassingen-spelregelboek-2022-t.o.v.-2021.pdf>