

AHA / CENTER ICE SPRING HOCKEY LEAGUE 2009 RULE ADDENDUM

Welcome to Spring Hockey ! The purpose of the AHA / Center Ice Spring League is to provide a program for local hockey players to keep playing and developing their skills over the off season months and have as much fun as possible. There is no guarantee of skill matchup between the teams in each age division. **We ask that all teams, coaches, and parents work together to provide an enjoyable experience for the players, and display good sportsmanship.**

Game schedules and any updates or changes will be posted on www.ahabadgers.com, in the AHA bulletin board, and emailed to the team manager/coach. **Please email Darcee at purvdsp@comcast.net and leave the email address you would like updates and announcements to be sent to.**

In order to keep things running smoothly, please take note of the following:

1. **All games will be played under USA Hockey rules. The only additions are noted below. Zero Tolerance will be enforced for players, coaches, and parents.**
2. **This year's program will include a progressive game misconduct rule. The first GM assessed to a player will require a 1 game suspension. The second time a player receives a GM, a 2 game suspension will be required. The third time a player receives a GM, a 3 game suspension will be required. Receiving a 4th GM will result in ejection from the program.**
3. All players will be required to wear appropriate neck guards and mouthguards.
4. All games will have a curfew, so please have teams warmup off the ice so the on ice warmups can be set at 1-2 minutes to conserve your ice time.
5. The team noted on the game schedule as the home team is responsible for the clock and the scoresheet. The white original scoresheet copy is to be turned in at the front desk immediately following each game. The home and away copies should be distributed to the appropriate team managers. (scoresheets will be available at the front desk when you arrive for your game)
6. The team to team handshake should take place after the game.
7. Any time the score in a game reaches a 7 goal differential or more, the scoreboard should remain at a 7 goal differential until the team that is behind scores. If a team is winning by 7 goals or more at the start of the 3rd period, then the stop time converts to a running clock (penalties are 2 minutes running time), until the team behind brings the score to under a 7 goal differential.
8. Referees will all be USA Hockey certified. We will be using the younger, newly trained referees where possible to enable them to gain additional experience for next season. **Please be patient and work with them.**
9. EMT's will be present at all games.
10. **Teams will need to leave keys to obtain entrance to locker rooms at the rink and will be held responsible for any damage that occurs to rink property.**
11. Jerseys should be issued by the first game weekend. If your team's jerseys don't arrive on time for the first game, please wear light/white practice jerseys for the home team, and dark/black for the away team. There will be limited exchange capabilities, so please try to make the sizes that you are issued work.
12. The roster addition deadline for Spring is May 1, 2009. We will not accept any additional players after that date. **Only Spring USA Hockey rostered players are permitted on the ice for your team during practices and games. No player substitution is permitted for games.** Extra goalies only are available from the Spring Hockey goalie pool. You must contact Darcee if you need to use one for a game.
13. If any questions or problems arise, please have coach or team manager only (not individual parents) call 724-853-2474 or e-mail purvdsp@comcast.net.

IT'S A GREAT DAY FOR HOCKEY !