



Referee Meeting

Thursday November 10, 2011
7:00 PM
BLOMHA Office Meeting Room

Meeting Notes

END OF GAMES:

All house League coaches have been told that they are required to hold their benches at the end of the game. However, it is important that our FIRST priority after the final buzzer is to:

- Ensure that players on the ice are separated
- Release the benches as soon as it is safe to do so

I have reffed several games where the coaches are not holding their bench and not waiting for the referees to release them. This shows me that referees have not been enforcing this as instructed. I want coaches to hold their benches at all levels TYKE to MIDGET until they are given clearance from the referee. **I want this rule enforced at all levels.**

This rule is in the rulebook to prevent altercations from taking place after the game and only makes your job easier.

Please enforce this rule at all age levels, but make sure that your first order of business after the game is to release the benches so that they can enjoy their post-game celebrations.

DECEMBER TOURNAMENT:

- December 2-3-4.
- All MD levels from Novice to Midget.
- We will need experienced referees available for this tournament. Please make plans to be available.
- This is a Rep tournament, so we will not be using first-year guys as referees, but will be used as timekeepers.
- Remember...Friday is a full day of hockey games. We need your support.
- IMPORTANT: There are games during the day on Friday. Make sure you report availability accurately on your calendar (Due November 15th)

Discuss tournament rules

TEAM TRAINERS:

All games must have a trainer present. Make sure there is at least one trainer signed in on the game sheet. Coaches that are the only team official on the bench cannot act as trainer. There must be an assistant coach present so that the bench is still being monitored in the event of an injury where the trainer has to leave the bench or the rink.

Trainers may act for both teams, but make sure those arrangements are known to everyone prior to the games.

In the event that a trainer is not available or the above condition cannot be met, there cannot be a game. The game time will become a practice and referees do not stay on the ice.

DECEMBER AVAILABILITY:

Availability calendars must be done by November 15th at the latest so that we can get the schedules out for December as quickly as possible.

There are only 2 full weekends of hockey games in December (10-11 & 17-18). House League games are shut down for the most part during MD Tournament/Amherst weekend and there are no games after December 23rd for the Christmas break.

Regular games will resume on January 3rd 2012.

AMHERST FRIENDSHIP GAMES:

Amherst games will be played on December 3rd and 4th with houseleague teams from PreNovice to Peewee. These games are to be played with normal house league rules. Curfews apply.

DRESS CODE:

Adherence to dress code policies is improving, but I will still be fining referees for improper dress code at Rep and House League games when I see it. This is not optional. We need to look professional when entering and leaving the rinks.

This rule includes timekeepers. Reminder for the new guys:

NO Jeans

NO Shorts

NO t-shirts

NO team logo headgear or jackets

Shirts must have a collar and pants must be a neat and tidy appearance.

Ties are required for Rep game referees.

SCORE REPORTING:

Please remember to do this as soon as possible after your game.

The first referee listed on the schedule is responsible to submit scores for all house league games

TOYS FOR TOTS:

The TOYS FOR TOTS program has been operated in Halton by The Halton Region Police Service.

The toys collected in each Halton community are distributed to families in need within our community.

Last year with the "Fill a Hockey Bag" program, Bulldog teams MD Tournament Teams and referees were able to collect toys, cash and Canadian Tire money to help Halton Families.

Again this year I am asking the referees to participate at our December meeting.

We will have the usual Pizza, Pop & Pay cheque December meeting.

Please bring a donation to help a family in need this Christmas. Acceptable donations are cash, Canadian Tire money, and new unwrapped toys, sports equipment. Gifts for older teenagers are always in short supply.

Please give generously!

Next meeting **Thursday December 8th**

PIZZA, POP & PAYCHEQUES