

HALDIMAND LOCAL LEAGUE RULES 2011-2012

- 1 All rules to be used will be OMHA and HC unless covered in the Haldimand Local League Rules. Rules will be accepted when three of the four centers are present. A tie vote constitutes a defeat.
- 2 Suspensions will be as per OMHA rules. Haldimand can increase suspensions above the minimum. A Discipline Committee will be set at the first of the season with one member from each center and the Regional Executive Member (REM) or their designate. All the decisions of the committee are final pending REM approval. Haldimand Local League agrees to adopt Haldimand County Leisure Services "For the Sake of Sport" Policy as part of their rules (off ice).
- 3 Playing time will be in accordance with OMHA Rules. As a minimum, in Novice thru Bantam each game will consist of 3 - 10 minutes periods with a 50 minute curfew. Midget will be 10-10-15 with a 60 minute curfew. A center can provide at Novice thru Bantam an optional 15 minute 3rd period if the proper amount of ice time is available in accordance with OMHA rules. All regular season, A and B division playoff games are subject to curfew. No curfew will be allowed for Semi-Finals and Final Games.
- 4 Regulation Ontario Minor Hockey Game Sheets will be used. These game sheets must be filled out completely and carefully, showing team name and number as per the game schedule. The white copy must be forwarded to the Haldimand Convenor as soon as possible after the game. In the event of a Match Penalty the Home Centre Representative shall contact the Haldimand League Convenor as soon as possible after the game. In the event of a match penalty, the white copy of the game sheet and the Match Penalty Report Form must be submitted immediately to the OMHA Regional Executive Member by the Referee.
- 5 Each center must provide a League Convenor. The Convenor is responsible for preparing the regular season and A & B pool game schedules. The Finals will be hosted on a rotation basis as follows: Cayuga 2011/2012, Caledonia 2012/2013, Glanbrook 2013/2014 and Hagersville 2014/2015. The host center will host all A & B pool final games - Novice thru to Juvenile. The host center will be responsible to chair the monthly meetings for their season if no chair is present. This duty includes sending out reminders and the taking of the minutes for all meetings.
- 6 Teams in Novice and Atom divisions may only affiliate players up to a maximum of 12 skaters. Teams - Pee wee thru Juvenile may affiliate up to 15 skaters. A team may only use an affiliate goaltender if the team's regular goaltender(s) are not present at the start of the game. Vertical affiliation only, (a team may only list players from a team immediately below in age but of the same category). There can only be 6 players per team listed as affiliated players on a game sheet. Affiliation list must be in to the OMHA Regional Executive Member on or before January 15th. All centers must submit a copy of approved OMHA rosters by January 31st to the Haldimand League Convenor.
- 7 If a team fails to show for a scheduled game except due to weather and proper notification (72 hrs. for a visiting team, 24 hrs for a home team) and agreement with the center convenors, there will be a \$250.00 fine to be paid by the offending center to the offended center. The Haldimand Convenor must be notified by the center contact of the change.
- 8 Referees: **NO GAME STARTS WITHOUT 2 PROPERLY QUALIFIED REFEREES PRESENT.** Novice, Atom, Pee wee will be the 2 person system, Bantam, Midget and Juvenile will be 3 person system all season.

- 9 Local League Players who appear on an approved roster as affiliated players for their centers REP or A/E teams must play in 75% of their eligible Haldimand League games in order to qualify for the Haldimand Semi-final and Final games. .
- 10 Warm-ups to be 3 minutes. Sequential periods start when the referee drops the puck for play to begin.
- 11 All team roster sheets for this league are to be forwarded to the OMHA Regional Executive Member by November 30. If not received, the said team will not be eligible to play until roster sheets are received by the OMHA Regional Executive Member.
- 12 Players coming back to Local League after December 31 will be moved up one category. Players moving down will be assessed as per Rule 13 at the discretion of the Haldimand Local League Executive.
- 13 Each player must register in their own division. If a player does not have the ability to compete in his or her division, the center must request the player be allowed to play a division down before the season starts. A committee of two people from the Town of Haldimand Local League Executive will be chosen by the centers at the first league meeting of the season. The committee's decision is final. The player moving down must play in the division he or she was assessed at, for the entire season.
- 14 All money owed from the previous season must be paid before the centre is eligible for the current season. Fines must be declared.
- 15 Gate fees: Adults - \$3.00, Seniors and Students (Over the age of 18) - \$2.00, Children under 18 - Free. Any person who possesses a HLL gate pass is eligible for entry into all HLL games.
- 16 Each team must play all regular season games to qualify for A and B division pool. Each team must play Semi-final and Final games. Failure to do so results in the offending team losing its position in the Finals to the team they defeated in the Semi-final or the next eligible team in the Semi-finals. Offending centers will be responsible for paying \$300.00 fine unless extenuating circumstances exist. The Haldimand Local League Executive will have final say.
- 17 Trophies must be handed in to the Haldimand Center that will be hosting the Finals by February 1st of each season. A fine of \$350.00/per trophy will be levied against the center that does not present a trophy for finals.
- 18 Haldimand League games schedules must provide the same number of games for each team in a division pool. The number of games in a division will be determined at the start of each season, based on the number of teams entered by each center and time available. Each team must provide ice to host an equal number of home games in their division pool. Should a center be required to host another centers home games, the responsible center will pay the host center the cost of the ice rental plus all officials on and off the ice.
- 19 Approved Hockey Canada Roster Sheets must be presented prior to all Semi-final and Final games.
- 20 Proper sign in sheets must be used. Coaches and Game Officials must sign in, at the registration table in the presence of the hosting center conveners or the hosting center representatives. The hosting center convenor or representative must sign completed sheets acknowledging the witnessing of signatures. Failure to do so will result in OMHA Regulation 8.1 (i)

- 21 Game start times: Saturday not prior to 8:00am; Sunday not prior to 12:00pm and weekdays not prior to 5:30pm. Novice or Atom games - no later than 7:00 pm; Pee wee games – no later than 8:00 pm; Bantam games - no later than 9:00pm; and Midget games - no later than 9:30pm. Start times outside of these guidelines must be mutually agreed upon by the center contacts.
- 22 Allow one 30 second time out per game for the entire season.
- 23 Appeal of a Regional Executive Member’s Decision – Playoffs – 8.1 (i). All protests must be followed under current OMHA Manual of Operations. See 5.4 for further details.
- 24 After any match penalty that occurs in the HLL play, the player may be required to come before the HLL discipline committee after the OMHA hands down their suspension to discuss what farther action or suspensions might be taken. Any decision will be at the discretion of the Discipline Committee.
- 25 All Major penalties will subsequently increase on all additional offences. (of the same offence) See below.
 - A)
 - 1) First offence suspension by OMHA Manual of Operations- Suspension List
 - 2) Second offence suspensions by OMHA Manual of Operations- Suspension List plus 1 game
 - 3) Third offence suspension by OMHA Manual of Operations- Suspension List plus 2 games
 - 4) Fourth offence suspension by OMHA Manual of Operations- Suspension List plus 4 games
 - 5) Fifth offence suspension by OMHA Manual of Operations- Suspension List plus 8 games.
 - B) Any player who has incurred a suspension for three or more major offences may be brought before the HLL Discipline Committee.
- 26 Tie Breakers to determine playoff seating’s, round robin or playoffs as follows:
 - 1) Head to Head
 - 2) Goal differential between tied teams
 - 3) Least Penalty minutes for entire season
 - 4) Coin Flip
27. The Haldimand Local League for divisions Pee wee through to Juvenile, inclusive, will become a non-body checking league for a trial period of one year, to be revisited at the 2012 AGM.