

Field Hockey Ontario 2020 Ontario Winter Games

TECHNICAL REGULATIONS (v3 – as of 02.10.2020)

1. RULES OF THE GAME

The Tournament will be carried out in accordance with the current General Tournament Regulations Indoor Competitions by FIH (November 2019) and the Rules of the Game of Indoor Field Hockey by FIH (October 1, 2019), except where noted below.

FIH regulations: <http://www.fih.ch/media/8997717/fih-tournament-regulations-indoor-november-2019.pdf>

FIH Rules of Indoor Hockey: <http://www.fih.ch/media/12236439/fih-rules-of-indoor-hockey-2019-new-cover-final-edits-on-website.pdf>

2. TOURNAMENT FORMAT

U18 Girls: Five (5) teams playing round robin format. After round robin, ranking will be determined based on points awarded for each match:

- Three points to the winner
- One point to each team, in the event of a draw
- No points to the loser.

If at the end of round robin matches two or more teams have the same number of points for any place in a pool, ranking will be determined following Appendix 3 in FIH Tournament Regulations (October 1, 2019).

The top four teams based on rankings at the end of pool play will move to semi-finals with:

- 1st place team playing 4th place team
- 2nd place team playing 3rd place team

The winners of the semi-final matches will play in the Gold Medal Game (1st and 2nd place), with the losing teams playing in the Bronze Medal Game (3rd and 4th place).

3. PARTICIPANTS

All players and coaching staff listed on the team roster must have a current registration with Field Hockey Ontario and Field Hockey Canada.

Teams can have a maximum of 12 players on the roster and will play 6 (5+1 goalie) A-Side Format. All teams must submit their final team rosters to the tournament organizer **by 11:59pm on Friday, November 29th, 2019**. Team rosters must include all team staff (see 3.2) and clearly identify the Team Coach and Team Manager. Failure to submit the team roster by the date provided will result in a one game forfeiture.

Notification in writing of any amendment to the players listed on the entry form must be delivered to the Provincial Sport Organization staff no later than 12:00 pm (noon) on Friday, December 6th, 2019. Approval is at the discretion of the Provincial Sport Organization staff.

Team Captains must be clearly identified by wearing a captain's band during each match.

Age Categories U18: Born 2002 or later

Teams found playing overage players or non-FHO and FHC members will be disqualified (see section 9).

3.2 Team Staff

Each team must have one coach and one team manager on the bench during every match. Teams can also have one assistant coach on the bench, if they do not have a team manager. Coaches **cannot** coach more than one team during the Ontario Winter or Summer Games. The coaches that are listed on the roster, are the coaches that will be allowed on the team bench.

3.3 Tournament Staff

The tournament will have a Sport Manager and Provincial Sport Organization (PSO) staff that will assist the Local Organization Committee (LOC).

Each match will have a Technical Bench and 2 Umpires.

The tournament will also have a certified Athletic Therapist on site throughout the event (see section 5 for more details).

4. DRESS, TEAM COLOURS, EQUIPMENT

All players must wear the colours of their team, including jerseys with numbers at the back. All shirts must be tucked into shorts or kilts and socks pulled up over shin guards.

Goalkeepers must wear a shirt of a different colour to both teams.

All teams must be equipped with at least one alternate colour set of jerseys and socks, to be used in the event of colour clashes.

Players must use indoor sticks and must wear shin guards and mouth guards during the duration of the match.

The team listed first on the schedule will wear light socks and the second listed team will wear dark socks. If there is a conflict the Technical Official will request the team listed first changes to their alternate colour.

5. ON SITE ATHLETIC THERAPY AND FIRST AID

The services of a registered Athletic Therapist (AT) has been engaged by FHO for the duration of Winter Games. Players are asked to please respect the AT's time to allow him/her to support each and all players who are seeking assistance.

While the AT is able to support players who require taping or therapy before their games, their priority will be any treatment required for games in progress.

6. DURATION OF THE GAME / FORMAT FOR GAME START

U18 Division shall consist of two periods of **20 minutes** with five minute interval. - There will be no time stoppages, games will be played on running time.

The PSO staff will have the authority to make changes to the game duration, if this is felt necessary.

The Tournament is on a very tight schedule, in order to allow for maximum participation, all teams must clear the team bench immediately after their game ends to allow the next teams onto the benches.

Players are not permitted to use their stick and ball in any area of the gym (or school hallway) if a game is in progress. Once the game is completed and the gym is not in use your team members are free to use their stick and ball until the umpires are ready to start the next scheduled game

6.1 Time and Score Keeping

a) Time keeping will be managed by the PSO staff on duty, whose responsibility it will be to signal the end of regulation time at half time and full time (horn will be blown).

b) The umpires shall blow the whistle to start or re-start a match; they shall also signal the end of play when the game needs to be prolonged at half time or full time to complete a penalty corner

7. RULES

FIH Indoor Rules will be followed unless otherwise stated in these regulations.

8. SHOOT-OUT COMPETITION

If a classification match (semi-final or Medal game) is tied at the end of regulation time, the tie will be broken following the FIH Technical Regulations for a penalty shootout, Appendix 7: Shoot-out Competition.

9. DISQUALIFICATION OF FAILURE TO PLAY

Disqualification or Failure to Play will follow FIH Regulations (November 2019) Section 13.

10. PROTESTS

If a team representative wishes to lodge a protest at the end of a match, the Team Manager must declare that when signing the match sheet. The written protest must be provided to the Technical Delegate on duty within ten (10) minutes of the end of the match.

If the protest is not received in writing after the expiry of ten minutes, then it will be deemed that no protest has been registered. **If the protest has been properly registered, the team representative will then have a further 5 minutes to remit to the Technical Delegate a deposit of \$50 cash.**

Failure to do so will deem the protest to be void. The deposit will be refunded unless the protest is considered to be futile by the Technical Delegate. The Technical Delegate will make a decision in writing within an hour after the match in question (at the latest). This decision shall be final.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Regulation, a protest from a decision of an umpire or a technical official during a match or shoot-out competition may not be made to or considered by the Technical Delegate.

11. CODE OF CONDUCT AND SANCTIONS

11.1 The FIH Code of Conduct applies to all Participants (as defined in the Code of Conduct) including all National Association team members and officials, FIH tournament officials and host National Association representatives and the members of the organising committee, in FIH International Events.

11.2 Appendices 8 and 9 to these Regulations provide further information for the Technical Delegate about the application of the Code of Conduct, Appeal Process, guidelines on sanctions and the Process for Hearing and Determining Any Reported Offence.

11.3 In deciding on the duration of any suspension, the Technical Delegate is limited to the remaining matches in the tournament but, if the Technical Delegate decides that the appropriate penalty may or ought to include the imposition of a suspension that affects matches or should otherwise take effect beyond the conclusion of the competition, the Technical Delegate must, within 3 days of the decision being published, give written notice of the decision to the FHO Executive Director, who will refer it to the FHO Disciplinary Commissioner to decide on any further period of suspension or other penalty to be imposed.

11.4 Suspended persons may not enter the field of play or the technical facility areas (including the team benches, coaches' boxes and video tower) until completion of the match or matches comprising the suspension.

11.5 Subject to Regulation 17 an individual or a team may appeal against any suspension during a tournament. At specified FHO Events, the appeal will be referred to an Appeal Jury. At an event where there is not an FHO representative, the appeal will be referred to the FHO Executive Director.

11.6 Subject to Regulation 17 if an individual or a team wishes to appeal, the Team Manager(s) must give written notice to the Technical Delegate within sixty (60) minutes after the Technical Delegate's decision is published. If no appeal is lodged, the decision of

the Technical Delegate is final.

11.7 If an appeal is lodged, the Technical Delegate must immediately inform the FIH Representative and Event Director, if one has been appointed. If there is not an FIH Representative or FIH Event Director, the Technical Delegate must advise the FIH Chief Executive Officer.

Procedures for a Permanent Suspension (Red Card)

- a) Suspended/ejected players may not be replaced during that game.
- b) Players that receive a red card are automatically suspended for the next game and will require a disciplinary hearing with the Technical Delegate, which may result in ejection from the tournament. All red cards will be reviewed by FHO after the tournament.
- e) Players that receive two red cards are ejected from the tournament.
- f) Any red card for fighting – brings an automatic suspension from the tournament.
- g) If both the coach and manager are ejected – the game ends. The score shall be recorded as 10 – 0 for the remaining team. (If the score differential is more than 10 than the score shall be the differential – for example score at time of ejection – 12 – 1 –then score recorded as 11 – 0).

Any player receiving a red card will be required to immediately leave the field of play and the facility for the remainder of the game during which the card is received.

The Technical Delegate reserves the right to eject any person, including spectators, players and officials, from the tournament area in the event that the conduct of such individual(s) is deemed, at any time, to be disruptive to the tournament. Team Managers and/or Team Coaches will be held responsible for the conduct of their players and team staff at all times. Team managers will receive a warning, if the behaviour continues the offending individual will be ejected from the tournament and will require a disciplinary hearing with the Technical Delegate before being reinstated to the tournament.

11 UNFORESEEN EVENTS

Should circumstances arise which are not provided for in these regulations, they will be dealt with by the Technical Delegate at his / her discretion.

**Provincial Sport Organization
(PSO) Staff**