

Proposed JAHA rule changes – please submit any comments to juneauadulthockey@gmail.com no later than August 23rd!

NEW SECTION ADDED:

E. TOURNAMENT RULES

1. FORMAT

Tournaments shall be double-elimination except that the championship game will be single-elimination. End-of-season team rankings will be used to determine seeding in the tournament (e.g. the first-ranked team will be seeded against the last-ranked, the second-ranked team will be seeded against the next-to-last ranked, and so on). Depending on the number of teams, there may be a bye game for the first-ranked team. Except for the championship game, a team that loses their first tournament game shall continue play in the loser's bracket. A team that loses their second tournament game shall be eliminated from the tournament.

2. TOURNAMENT SUBSTITUTIONS

Except for goalie substitutions, there are no player substitutions allowed during tournament play for any reason. Goalie substitutions may be made in accordance with **Rule C4 Substitutions**.

3. OVERTIME PERIOD

If a tournament game, including the championship game, remains tied after regulation time has elapsed, a 5 minute overtime period shall be played. The overtime period is "sudden death," meaning that the game shall end upon a goal being scored by either team, resulting in a win for that team. If the game remains tied after the overtime period, a shootout will be held in accordance with **Rule E4 Shootouts**.

4. SHOOTOUTS

If a tournament game, including the championship game, remains tied after the overtime period has elapsed, a shootout shall be held. All players are eligible to participate in the shootout unless they are serving a misconduct or match penalty. The shootout format shall be as follows:

- i. The Home Team shall be given the choice to shoot first or defer.
- ii. The initial shootout shall be the best of three rounds. Each team must identify three players to participate in the shootout before the shootout commences.
- iii. Players shall take penalty shots, alternating teams for each shot to complete a round, until three rounds have been completed. The team with the most goals after the initial three rounds shall be declared the winner.
- iv. If the score remains tied after the first three rounds, the shootout will proceed to "sudden victory," meaning that the shootout shall continue with new players shooting until the first round that ends with one team scoring a goal and the other team not scoring, with the team scoring the goal being declared the winner.
- v. A shootout winner cannot be declared until both teams have taken the same number of shots.
- vi. During shootouts, no player may shoot twice until all players on their team have taken a shot.

NEW RULE ADDED TO SECTION A:

A. ELIGIBILITY

4. PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY

JAHA will issue a Proof of Eligibility sticker to each eligible JAHA player. The sticker may vary per season and must be displayed in a location on the rear of the player's helmet that allows for quick identification by on- or off-ice officials. Goalies may affix their sticker in an alternate location on their helmet provided they can easily produce it for verification upon request by an on- or off-ice official. Players will only be issued one sticker. Lost or damaged stickers will be replaced on a case-by-case basis upon request to the appropriate Tier Representative.

A player who has lost or damaged their sticker or who has forgotten their helmet may participate in a JAHA game at the discretion of the on-ice official if both team's designated Team Representatives can confirm the player's eligibility before the game begins. The scorekeeper shall note on the official score sheet any player who was allowed to play without a sticker. Repeated violations will not be tolerated.

Notwithstanding the previous paragraph, a skater who does not have a current sticker displayed on their helmet or a goalie that cannot produce a sticker for verification upon request may not be present on the ice during a JAHA game. Violation of this rule will result in the player being asked to immediately leave the ice until they can properly display the sticker. If the player is found to be ineligible, they may be subject to the penalties described in **Rule A3 Eligibility**.

Loaning, giving, poaching, stealing, or counterfeiting a Proof of Eligibility sticker, as well as keeping and using a sticker to participate in games after a player is no longer eligible is an egregious offense that will result in an immediate and indefinite suspension for those involved and referral to the disciplinary board for possible further action of up to a lifetime ban from JAHA.