



As we gear up for the 2008/09 season. I wanted to offer each official a “cheat sheet” to help them understand the differences between the NCAA rules and or ACHA modifications. I hope that this will make things easier for you as the season moves on.

Playing Lineup - teams shall be permitted to have the option of dressing a maximum of 18 skaters and three goaltenders or 19 skaters and two goaltenders. *Note--- M3, W1, and W2 teams may play with 1 goaltender without penalty, however, if should noted on the score sheet.*

Overtime - 4-on-4 overtime will be played during the regular season.

Shoot-out – (see shoot out-protocol). Shoot outs should be used in all M1 game still tied at the completion of overtime.

Note--- other Divisions allow each local league to use shoot-outs as they feel fit. Women’s Division does not allow for shoot-out.

Spitting - Automatic Game Disqualification

Incident Reports - An ACHA Incident Report format shall be provided for reporting to the commissioner’s office by fax, mail, or e-mail any incidents involving players, coaches, teams, officials or referees. An Incident Report must be completed for each separate incident and submitted to the commissioner within 48 hours.

Officiating Systems – Despite the NCAA approval of the 2 referee and 2 linesmen system and the 2 referee and 1 linesman system, the ACHA Executive Committee agreed that it was too late for the ACHA to adopt these systems. Therefore the approved ACHA system is 1 Referee and 2 Linesmen. The decision was not only a financial one, but the ACHA is confident in the training materials for that system that have been developed by USA Hockey. Officials are to be USA Hockey level 3 or higher, unless approved by the ACHA RIC.

Note- Teams Women’s Divisions may use a 2 official system with the approval of their commissioner.