

# Statistician & Manager Information

## LLFHL

### Lower Lakes Female Hockey League

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# Purpose

- Review League Operating Procedures
- Provide Information on the League's computerized tracking system (currently Ivrrnet)
- Q & A

# OWHA and the LLFHL

- What's the difference between the two?
  - Which group is in charge of what?
  - Who do I call when I have a problem?

## OWHA

- The Governing Body for female hockey in Ontario
- Tracks ALL games played by All female hockey teams (exhibition, regular season, tournament, playoff and provincial playdowns) using **FORM A**
- Administers Provincial Play**DOWN**S and Provincial Championships
- For problems entering Exhibition, Tournament and Provincial Playdown games (or any problem with Form A) – contact your OWHA Regional Director

## LLFHL

- The league in which all teams represented at this meeting play
- Ran by the LLFHL Board under the authority of the OWHA
- Tracks all LLFHL LEAGUE games (regular season and playoffs) using **Ivrnet (formerly ITSportsnet)**
- Administers LLFHL Play**OFF**S and LLFHL Championship Weekend
- For problems entering Regular Season and Playoff games contact **convenor@llfhl.ca** - the LLFHL **cannot** correct problems with Form A



# OWHA Sanction Permit

## Do I Require an OWHA Sanction Permit?

- If your team will be playing any team from outside the Province of Ontario, regardless of where the game is played, or if your team is playing any non-registered OWHA team, you must secure approval from the OWHA before confirming the game
- The form is available once you sign into Ivrnet – go to “Compete” > “Schedule Games” > “Sanction Permit” to complete.

# League Information and Communications

- **Website: [www.llfhl.ca](http://www.llfhl.ca)**, here you will find:
  - Executive Contact Information
  - Rules, Training Documents, Forms
- Scheduling and game statistics entered through specialized data base (currently ivrnet)
- ivrnet website:
  - Teams, League Liaisons, Registrars, Team Statisticians have role-specific access
  - League Executives have administrative access
  - General public have viewing access

# Categorization

- **Teams must play in the same category as their OWHA registration**
- **As per LLFHL Rule - *Sections 5 and 18*:**
  - **Teams that are recategorized up, by the OWHA, during the season forfeit their eligibility for playoffs and regular season awards and have no opportunity to play in the higher category**
  - **Teams can petition the League to allow them to remain in playoffs by filling out a Consideration for Playoff Eligibility Request form and submitting**
- **Teams that choose to play in a lower category, after scheduling; only do so for Provincials, they remain in same category for League play**

# Scheduling Meeting

## (September 27, 2014)

- No team representation - team forfeits league entry
- All games must be scheduled to be played by January 31, 2015
- ivrnet will be opened for statisticians to upload or make changes to home team schedule until **October 1, 2014 11:59 p.m.**
- Any schedule not uploaded, League will upload the schedule and assess fine to team
- After October 1, if there is an error in the home schedule, notify the League Convenor, [convenor@llfhl.ca](mailto:convenor@llfhl.ca)

# Scheduling Concepts

- Associations should provide teams with sufficient ice to play games
  - A variety of ice allowing for flexibility on weeknights and weekends
  - Come to scheduling meeting with 50% more ice times than number of home games
- Teams should be prepared to use practice ice to make schedules work
- Double headers are encouraged
- Schedule longer trips early in season
- Arranging mid-point games is acceptable



# Cancellations & Rescheduling

- Rule 11 outlines:
  - process for canceling and rescheduling games
  - the penalties for late cancellation and failing to reschedule
- Please make sure your teams read and understand that there are consequences for not doing this correctly.

# Exemptions to Rule 11:

- Weather or Public Health Notice (e.g. H1N1) related cancellations require special procedures
  - Notification of cancellation must be made by phone call to other team, email or phone message is not acceptable, you must make contact and confirm receipt of cancellation
  - Reschedule the game within 7 days and notify Convenor of change

# Schedule Completion

- All teams **must complete** their league schedule by January 31, 2015
  - Failure to do this will result in a \$100/game fine
- Tournament games cannot be used
- No games can count for 4 points
- League games may be used for Provincial playdowns if game format the same, BUT only if approved by both the OWHA and the LLFHL prior to the game being played

# Game Length (1)

- Pee wee AA; Bantam AA, A; Midget AA, A, BB; Intermediate and Senior games – 12/15/15 minutes
- All other games – 10/10/12 minutes
- STOP TIME
- No time outs in regular season games
- Specific procedures in place to deal with games that are subject to a curfew or premature termination (see next slide)

# Game Length (2)

- Curfewed games
  - Mark on game sheet before game
  - Both Head Coaches must sign off
  - Officials are notified
  - Must end when specified per arena clock – this is the timekeeper's responsibility
- Premature termination
  - Due to Injury/Facility problems
  - Game is considered complete if puck has been dropped in the 3rd period; otherwise replay the entire game
  - Costs of replay are to be shared by both teams

# League Game Pick-Up Procedures

- **Rule 7 outlines:**
- How Many?
  - **maximum of 3** with total number of players on game sheet **not to exceed** total number registered on team
- Who?
  - from younger age, same Category or lower; lower Category same age;
  - must be registered in League or Association House League; may be picked up any number of times
- When?
  - missing players due to injury or sickness only
    - **not suspended players**

# Officiating Procedures

## ➤ How Many?

- In Bantam AA, Bantam A, Midget AA, Midget A, Midget BB, Intermediate A, a three-official system is mandatory

## ➤ Three officials must be supplied where specified

- Failure to do so will result in a fine...however, if only two officials show up for a game requiring three officials, the game can be played if both teams and both officials agree but, if any party does not agree, the game will be rescheduled
- All other divisions use a two official system unless deemed otherwise by the Executive
- One official CANNOT officiate a game mandated to have two or three officials.

# Notification of Results

- Home team enters all scoring and penalties for BOTH teams into ivrnet database within 72 hours in the Regular Season, and 24 hours during the Playoffs
  - The correct codes and penalty times are listed under ITS Discipline Codes
- More extensive training to follow



# Suspensions

- Suspensions are governed by the OWHA
  - All suspension explanations and durations listed in OWHA Handbook Appendix
- Team must notify OWHA Regional Director of all suspensions received in league and all OTHER games
  - Fax (905)282-0499 or Email [stats@owha.on.ca](mailto:stats@owha.on.ca)

# Serving Suspensions

- Team must file game sheets for all suspensions served, including those from tournament games, with OWHA
  - Fax (905)282-0499 or Email [stats@owha.on.ca](mailto:stats@owha.on.ca)
  - Exhibition games cannot be used
- Games served must be listed correctly on game sheet (e.g. 1 of 3)
- Failure to file game sheets for suspensions served, may result in player being classified as illegal; game forfeiture and Head Coach suspension

# Playoffs

- Only eligible teams allowed to participate
- Maximum of 8 teams per grouping qualify for playoffs
- Maximum of 3 rounds to get to group finalist (3,4,5 group divisions) or group semi-finalists (1 or 2 group divisions) for Championship Weekend

# Player Eligibility for Playoffs

- Per Rule 2b: Rostered players (not pickups) are required to have played 5 regular season LLFHL games, on the team that they have been registered by the OWHA, to be eligible to participate in the LLFHL Playoffs
- Even though there are an unlimited amount of times that you can pick up players from another team, these pick up games do not count towards the 5 game minimum as the pick up players are NOT registered on that team.
- Player Playoff Eligibility Requests will be accepted on or before 11:59 p.m., January 20, 2015, fill out and submit form to [convenor@llfhl.ca](mailto:convenor@llfhl.ca)
- NO REQUESTS FOR EXEMPTION will be considered if received after this date

# **FINAL WORDS**

**Please ensure that your Rep Directors, Team Coaches and Managers read all the Rules and Regulations prior to start of the season.**

**They are available on the website:  
[www.lfhl.ca](http://www.lfhl.ca)**