



# BULLETIN #1

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## Introductions and Explanations

Thank you for officiating in Brampton Hockey for the 2022-2023 season. For some of you this might be your first time officiating and for other this might be old hat. Regardless, I want to welcome you to Brampton Hockey and look forward to working with you throughout the season.

Because things change and information sometimes is difficult to come by, documents and links will be placed in the BHI website directing you to the information you are looking for. Additionally, throughout the season new bulletins will be placed on the website to update you on officiating activities and information. So please keep checking back to stay informed!

1. **Resources:** The BHI website has for referee resources which can be found under Referee > Resources (<https://bramptonhockey.com/Pages/34407/Resources/>). Hopefully this site has all the information from Hockey Canada, OHF, OMHA, and BHI listed so you don't have to go looking across the internet.
2. **Bulletins:** Throughout the year bulletins will be placed on the website under Referee > Bulletins (<https://bramptonhockey.com/Pages/34403/Bulletins/>) to keep you informed with up-to-date information throughout the year.

## Maltreatment

It is Hockey Canada's objective to remove Maltreatment from every aspect of hockey. We must change the Hockey Culture to create an inclusive environment.

Coaches have been informed that maltreatment will be called strictly in the coming season.

**11.1 Unsportsmanlike Conduct:** Player or team official challenges/disputes the ruling of the official. A two-minute penalty will be assessed

**11.2 Disrespectful Behaviour:** Player or team official uses disrespectful language or gestures directed towards any individual including the on-ice officials. A game misconduct will be assessed

## Credit River Capitals

For those of you that wish to skate with the Credit River Capitals, please contact Butch Galbraith to be put on the officials' roster. The Credit River Capitals association is different than Brampton Hockey but we share a lot of resources.

## Dress Code and Appearance

Brampton Hockey officiating program participants are expected to uphold a high standard of dress and personal hygiene when in public view and while enroute to, during, or enroute from a Brampton Hockey assignment. On ice officials, off ice officials and supervisors shall abide by the following off-ice dress code to and from their game assignments:

- For all levels of hockey, unless a higher standard of attire is required; business relaxed is the minimum standard of dress. "Business relaxed" is a moderately casual manner of dress.
- The inappropriate dress code list includes (but is not limited to) shorts, jeans with holes, frayed jeans, work clothes, coveralls, t-shirts, team logo headwear, team logo jackets, and sandals.

## Playing Rule Changes - MD

Three age groups will be playing in a different "league" for the upcoming 2022-2023 season. The **U14MD**, **U16MD** and **U18MD** will be playing in the York Simcoe Minor Hockey League (YSMHL) loop. This will allow these teams to compete against more teams ensuring a greater positive experience for the players. The timing for these games are as follows:

- **U14:** 10-15-15
- **U16:** 15-15-F-15
- **U18:** 15-15-F-15

From an officiating perspective, the only rule change that needs to be observed is the body checking penalty. If a player occurs two body checking penalties in the same game, that player is ejected from the game. **It is not a game misconduct but a game ejection penalty.** On the game sheet assess the penalty GE 101.

## Code of Conduct

Brampton Hockey officials are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that reflects favorably on the program and its officiating staff at all times. Brampton Hockey may discipline or remove from the Brampton Hockey officiating staff any participant who violates the spirit or intent of Brampton Hockey/OHF/HC policies and procedures or Hockey Canada's Officials' Code of Conduct.

Brampton Hockey has a social media policy as does OMHA. For the purpose of this social media and Networking Policy, the policy will encompass public communications through such internet mediums and websites as Twitter, Facebook, TikTok, LinkedIn, Instagram and any other social media network that allows users to communicate online.

The policy will be applicable to all officials of the Brampton Hockey community. The policy encourages officials to express their views publicly; while at the same time being aware of the dangers social media and networking can present. Comments or remarks of an inappropriate nature which are detrimental to a Team, the Association or an individual will not be tolerated and will be subject to disciplinary action.

<b>Infraction</b>	<b>Suspension</b>
<b>Dress/Uniform Code Violation</b>	
Dress Code	1 week
Game Uniform	
Pants (Not black or in poor condition)	1 week
Cresting (missing or incorrect crest or falling off)	1 week
Arm Bands (Incorrect colour)	1 week
Neck Guard (Worn Incorrectly or Missing)	2 weeks
Helmet (Worn Incorrectly or not certified)	2 weeks
<b>Attendance*</b>	
Late for shift (not available at game time)	1 week
Missing a shift	2 weeks
<b>Alcohol/Marijuana/Controlled Substance</b>	
Under the Influence	Indefinite
Consuming - On Duty	Indefinite
<b>Attitude and Behavior</b>	
Abusive attitude while officiating a game	1 week
Verbal abuse directed towards players/coach/observers	2 weeks
Physical abuse directed towards players/coach/observers	Indefinite

## Procedures for When On-Ice Officials Do Not Show for Games:

The Brampton Hockey League the following official system for their games:

- ❖ A four (4)-official system (two (2) Referees and two (2) linespersons)
- ❖ a three (3)-official system (one (1) Referee and two (2) linespersons)
- ❖ a two (2)-official system (two (2) Referees)

From time to time, the situation will arise where one or more of the officials assigned to a game does not appear for the game or cannot continue the game. This policy documents, for the Referees and the teams, what to do in these situations. In all cases, the remaining on-ice official(s) in attendance must make every reasonable attempt to ensure the game is played to completion, however **under no circumstances should an official undertake to officiate a game or continue a game alone.**

If an official does not show up for their game, contact the following immediately

For **Rep** games: Curtis Erion (senior referee scheduler) 905-867-3988

For **Rec** games: Dan Francis (junior referee scheduler) 647-268-0606

If neither can be reached then contact Michael Arseneau (RIC) 647-285-9994

### Procedures for Games Normally Done with a Three (3) or Four (4)-Official System:

#### **Situation 1 – Referee or One of the Linespersons Does Not Appear for the Game**

If the Referee or one (1) of the Linespersons does not appear for the game, the remaining officials shall first attempt to find a qualified replacement official by contacting their Referee Assignor or any other qualified official from their Referee Association to complete the game using a three (3)-official system. If the remaining officials are unable to find a qualified replacement in a timely manner, then:

- In a Four (4)-Official system, if a qualified replacement(s) cannot be found, continue with a three (3)-official system
- In a Three (3)-Official system, the remaining officials shall work the game as a two (2)-official system

#### **Situation 2 – Two (2) of the Three (3) Officials Do Not Appear for the Game**

- In a Four (4)-Official system, if a qualified replacement(s) cannot be found, continue with a two (2)-official system
- In a Three (3)-Official system, if two (2) of the three (3) officials do not appear for the game, the remaining official shall first attempt to find qualified replacement officials by contacting the Referee Assignor or any other qualified official from Brampton Hockey to complete the game. If one (1) or two (2) replacement official(s) can be found, work the game as a two-official or three (3)-official system as the situation allows. If no replacement officials can be found in a timely manner, the game is to be suspended and reported to the appropriate authority.

### **Situation 3 – No Officials Appear for the Game**

If all of the officials do not appear for the game, the home team is to contact the local Referee Assignor as soon as possible to find qualified replacement officials. If replacement officials cannot be found in a timely manner, the game is to be suspended and reported to the appropriate authority.

### **Situation 4 – Referee or Linesperson Cannot Complete the Game**

If once the game is started, the Referee or one (1) of the Linespersons is injured, becomes ill or is otherwise unable to complete the game for any reason, the remaining officials shall:

- Complete the game using a two (2) official system, or;
- Complete the game using a one (1) Referee – two (2) linesperson system.

### **Procedure For Games Normally Officiated With A Two (2)-Official System:**

#### **Situation 1 – One (1) Referee Does Not Appear or is Unable to Complete the Game**

If the one (1) of the Referees does not appear for the game or is unable to continue the game due to injury, illness or any reason, the remaining Referee shall, in order:

- Contact the Referee Assignor to find a qualified replacement official.
- Contact a qualified replacement official from Brampton Hockey (if available) and continue using the two (2)-official system.
- Suspend the game and advise the appropriate authority of the circumstances.

#### **Situation 2 – No Officials Appear for the Game**

If all of the officials do not appear for the game, the home team is to contact the local Referee Assignor as soon as possible to find qualified replacement officials. If replacement officials cannot be found in a timely manner, the game is to be suspended and reported to the appropriate authority.