

**TRI-CITY IN-LINE HOCKEY LEAGUE
A CALIFORNIA NON-PROFIT CORPORATION**

**TCIHL
SUPPLEMENTAL
RULES & POLICIES**



Oceanside, CA 92056

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TCIHL operates under the Rules and Regulations of USA Hockey InLine and the TCIHL rulebook. The TCIHL Rulebook is meant to be an amendment to the USA Hockey InLine Rulebook and where a conflict exists between these two documents the TCIHL Rulebook shall take precedence.



EXCEPTIONS to the USA HOCKEY INLINE RULEBOOK

609a-Puck Leaving Rink

A penalty will be assessed only if the puck intentionally leaves playing area.

611a-Face-Offs

No five second rule when lining up for a face off. TCIHL refs will only assess a penalty if a player is delaying the face-off intentionally.

409c, 611f, 622 a&c-Face-Offs

Face-offs must be conducted at face-off circles or dots.

637d - Time-Outs

Mites and squirts will be allowed one time-out per period instead of one time-out per game. Policy voted in 3-20-08.

638-End of Game Policy (Regular games)

If any regular season game is tied after regular play the game will go into a shootout. Each team will choose four skaters to participate (visiting team shoots first). If the game is still tied after the shootout the game will finish in a tie. Regulation win: 2pts, Shootout win: 2pts, Shootout lost: 1pt, Tie: 1pt, Regulation lost: 0pt. Any player still in the penalty box at the end of regulation time is not eligible to participate in the shootout.

638-End of Game Policy (Play-offs)

If any play-off or championship game is tied after regular play the game will go into a 5 minute sudden death period with a non stop clock and a two minute break between last period and OT. If the game remains tied after OT it will proceed to a shoot-out. Each team will choose four skaters to participate (visiting team shoots first). Any player still in the penalty box at the end of OT is not eligible to participate in the shootout. If the game is still tied after all four players have gone then the game will go into sudden death shootout. The same four players will go again. In sudden death if one team scores, but the other team doesn't score, then the game is over (visiting team shoots first). If the game is still tied after the 2nd round then the rest of the bench will participate.

304a-Protective Equipment

Mandatory equipment: inline skates, H.E.C.C. approved helmet with full face mask, mouth guard, elbow pads, knee and shin protection, gloves designed for hockey, athletic cup, and **girdle**.

304b

It is required for all players to have all protective equipment, except gloves, head gear, and goalkeeper leg pads, be entirely under the uniform with exception to shin pads which should be majority covered, but may have a little showing (discretion of the ref of what will be accepted and not).

*Rule numbers are associated with Official Rules 2007-09 of USA Hockey Inline book.



TCIHL Rules and Policies

Using the Border Patrol Rink Divider

League procedure and rules when the south end of the rink gets wet:

Procedure:

1. Place the black Boarder Patrol cushions across the south end of rink to block the wet area.
2. Move the net forward approximately 5ft away from the cushions.
3. Relocate the down low face off spots to the top of the low circles.
4. If chalk is available draw a new crease and both above face off spots on the playing surface.

Rules:

1. If the defense shoots the puck out of bounds (or it goes off of the goalie and goes out of bounds), the face off shall take place down low.
2. If the offence shoots the puck out of bounds the face off shall take place up high or near the location where puck was shot out of bounds (whichever is further from opponents net).
3. Any player who **intentionally** forces an opponent into or over the cushions, no matter how hard, will receive a 5min. major penalty and will be suspended from the remainder of that game.
4. Any player who **intentionally** shoots the puck over the cushions shall receive a 2min. delay of game penalty.
5. If the puck hits the boards behind the cushions and comes back into play the puck will be whistled dead.
6. If the cushions are placed on the rink after play has begun, the remaining time will be divided into two periods so each team will have equal playing time in both directions.
7. Time continues to run if the puck is hit out of bounds unless the 2 min. stop time is in affect.
8. Rule 629e will be enforced.

Season Tie-Breaking Format

If teams are tied in total points at the end of the regular season the following criteria (in the order listed) will be used to determine play-off position:

1. Most Wins in overall standings
2. Most points in head to head competition
3. Highest goal differential (goals for minus goals against) in head-to-head competition
4. Least Goals Against in overall standings
5. Most Goals For in overall standings
6. Coin Flip

Game Forfeits

If a team has four skaters, but are short a goalie, they may borrow a goalie from another team or have another player step in and play goalie so the game can take place as scheduled. The borrowed player must play goalie and the opposing coach must agree to the arrangement. There will be no other borrowing of players. If the opposing coach does not agree with the arrangement the game will automatically result in a forfeit unless the league is notified at least one day prior to the engagement.

If a forfeit situation is know in advance, and the league is notified at least one day prior to the engagement, an attempt to reschedule the game will be made among the two coaches and league officials – if they believe it is justified and there is enough time left in the season to do so. If playing the game or rescheduling is not viable the game will result in a forfeit and be played as a scrimmage or be canceled. A reasonable effort must be made to play the game.



Helmets Required While Skating on the Rink

TCIHL adopted the USA Hockey policy requiring coaches and assistants to wear helmets on the rink during practices. This applies to anyone while wearing skates on the rink. Team photos are the only exception.

Inappropriate Behavior

TCIHL will not tolerate inappropriate behavior which may result in a penalty, immediate ejection, suspension, or removal from the premises and/or the league, or other consequence.

Examples of words or actions that will constitute a violation of the Parent or Players Code of Conduct include, but are not limited to the following:

1. Making physical contact with, taunting or threatening any player, coach, official, league representative, or spectator.
2. Using profane and/or vulgar language or mannerisms.
3. Fighting, punching, striking another player with a stick, or retaliation.
4. Defacing, stealing, or damaging property belonging to the league or an individual.
5. Inappropriately going onto the playing surface during a game.
6. Being involved in any activity that would warrant the summoning of law enforcement officials.

Conduct & Discipline

Policy adopted from the TCIHL Bylaws.

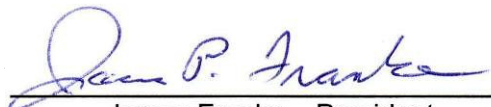
The Board of Directors, by majority vote of a quorum, shall have the authority to discipline, suspend, or terminate the membership of any Member or player when the conduct of such person is considered detrimental to the best interests of TCIHL.

The Member or player involved shall be notified of the specific nature of the charges and the Board of Directors' proposed actions within five (5) days of the incident. The Member or player will have five (5) days after being notified to request in writing a hearing on them. If after five (5) days a request has not been received, the Board of Directors' proposed action shall be final.

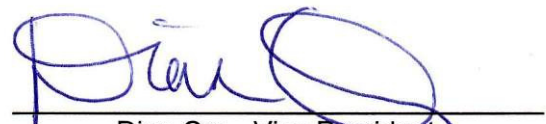
If a majority of the Board of Directors determines there is strong likelihood of behavior that presents significant danger to players, spectators, officials, or coaches, they may, in their sole discretion, determine that all disciplinary actions shall be effective immediately, and remain in effect unless and until reversed on appeal.

Acknowledgement

The foregoing Rulebook is hereby ratified by the Tri-city In-Line Hockey League Board of Directors on April, 24, 2008, in the City of Oceanside, San Diego County, California.



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