

QUICK REFEREE GUIDEBOOK



INTRODUCTION:

To unify the rules on international level for the EUHL games and as a supplement to the rules of previous two seasons of the EUHL league that did not take place.

- I. The EUHL is registered as a senior competition and therefore only major penalties without automatic game misconduct shall be imposed.
- II. Neck guard shall be compulsory for all EUHL players under the age of 18 years.
- III. Ear guard attached to helmet shall be compulsory for all EUHL players under the age of 18 years.
- IV. Goalkeeper shall not play the puck outside of the trapezoid designated area behind the net called "goalkeeper restricted area". The determining factor shall be the position of the puck. A minor penalty shall be imposed if goalkeeper plays the puck outside the designated area behind the net. Goalkeeper is allowed to play the puck outside the designated area behind the net if they maintain skate contact with their goal crease.
- V. A minor penalty shall be imposed if team captain or alternate captain or any other player leaves the bench and gets on the ice to protest referee's decision.
- VI. No playing coach or playing team manager or team leader shall be permitted to act as captain or alternate captain.
- VII. If a goalkeeper sustains injury, they must be replaced by alternate captain. Treated goalkeeper is allowed to resume their position only after the next stoppage of play.
- VIII. If an injured goalkeeper is replaced before penalty shot, they are allowed to resume their position only after the next stoppage of play.
- IX. A minor penalty shall be imposed if a player shoots and slides their stick to their teammate.
- X. A bench minor penalty shall be imposed if a player plays with a stick thrown from the player's bench or penalty box.
- XI. Goalkeeper is allowed to play with a broken stick. Undamaged goalkeeper's stick can be slid towards the goalkeeper. Replacement goalkeeper's stick shall be delivered by hand, otherwise a minor penalty or penalty shot (if the stick contacts the puck) shall be imposed.
- XII. Bench minor penalty shall be served by any player other than goalkeeper or an already penalized player.
- XIII. During the last five minutes of regulation time or at any time in overtime it is allowed to shorten or negate mutual major and minor penalties. The differential will be recorded on the clock as a three minute or one minute penalty.



- XIV.** In Team A a minor penalty is assessed to player no. 5 and double minor penalty to player no. 10 and at the same time in Team B a minor penalty is assessed to player no. 8. Team A can choose to play 4 minutes down one player or 2 minutes down by two players.
- XV.** When a misconduct penalty or match penalty have been assessed to a player, the ensuing face-off shall take place at the nearest face-off spot to where play was stopped.
- XVI.** Goalkeeper's penalty shall be served by a player present on the ice during the offense.
- XVII.** Referees shall not stop the play for offside or icing. If linesperson cannot perform their duties before stoppage, referee shall take over their duties.
- XVIII.** Referee shall conduct a face-off only at the beginning of the first, second and third period. Any other face-offs shall be conducted by linespersons.
- XIX.** Linesperson shall stop the play when:
- they assume a serious injury was sustained out of the referee's sight
 - a goal was scored out of the referee's sight
 - Other rights and obligation remain in force.
- XX.** At least a major penalty and automatic match penalty shall be assessed to a player for fighting.
- XXI.** Minor penalty, major penalty, major penalty, and automatic match penalty shall be imposed for pinning a player to the boards.
- XXII.** Major penalty and automatic match penalty or game misconduct shall be assessed to a player for attack from behind.
- XXIII.** Minor penalty, double minor penalty or game misconduct shall be imposed for high-sticking.

- XXIV.** Double minor penalty shall be imposed for head-butting attempt.
- XXV.** Minor penalty, double minor penalty, or game misconduct for check to the head or neck.
- XXVI..** Double minor penalty shall be imposed for butt-ending attempt.
- XXVII.** Double minor penalty shall be imposed for spearing attempt.
- XXVIII.** Late hit call shall not be used individually. Instead, interference shall be called.
- XXIX.** Kicked goal shall be awarded if the puck deflects from the stick of any player on the ice.
- XXX.** A minor penalty shall be imposed if a goalkeeper leaves their goal crease to overtake attacking player, covers the puck and causes stoppage, or if a goalkeeper deliberately falls on the puck in their goal crease when not being attacked by an opposing player.
- XXXI.** Defending team that unintentionally moves their goal net shall not perform line change and ask for time out. Attacking team shall choose the face-off spot.
- XXXII.** Defending team, whose attacking player shoots puck to the end zone from their side of the center red line causing the play to be stopped by opposing goalkeeper saving the attempt, shall not perform line change and ask for time out. Attacking team shall choose the face-off spot.
- XXXIII.** A minor penalty shall be imposed to a player attempting a hand pass.
- XXXIV.** Stoppage and subsequent face-off at the nearest spot shall be conducted after a hand pass or high-sticking is followed by teams refusing to play with the puck.
- XXXV.** Attacking team shall choose the face-off spot in the attacking zone at the beginning of a power play or after icing.
- XXXVI.** The blue line shall be considered a 3D object when crossing the blue line (towards the attacking zone) and determining offside.
- XXXVII.** If an attacking player shoots the puck outside the rink, the ensuing face-off shall be in their attacking zone. If any player in any zone causes the puck to get outside the rink the ensuing face-off shall be at the spot nearest to where the puck was shot from or rebounded.

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