

Minor Hockey Special Rules

Minor hockey season is just around the corner, a herald of which is the receiving of the official hockey rules as issued by the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association.

One section, in particular, deals with rules as they apply to minor hockey.

Coaches, players and even parents might be well-advised to know these rules before questioning on-ice officials' decisions.

The following rules apply only to Minor Hockey.

Rule 24. Protective Equipment

(b) While on the ice, all players, including goalkeepers, shall wear a CSA approved hockey helmet, to which a CSA approved facial protector must be securely attached and not altered in any way. Any alteration to a CSA approved helmet or facial protector automatically destroys the certification.

The chin strap of the helmet shall be properly fastened under the chin. The straps of the facial protector shall also be properly fastened to the hockey helmet.

(d) If the Referee's attention is drawn to the possibility that a facial protector or helmet may not be certified (CSA approved), or if the Referee observes that a facial protector or helmet may not be certified, and should that piece of equipment in effect turn out not to be certified, the Referee shall assess a Minor penalty and at the same time order that illegal piece of equipment removed from the game.

(Note 1): The Referee is empowered to make the call without his attention being drawn by an opposing player or team official, through the Captain.

(Note 2): The Referees' Case Book contains detailed procedures to follow in the case of a player having to serve a penalty for a non-certified helmet or facial protector.

Rule 30. Major Penalties

(e) In Minor Hockey, any player, including a goalkeeper, who is assessed a Major penalty under Rule 59 (Fighting and Roughing), shall be assessed in addition a Game Misconduct penalty. The Major penalty shall be served by any player of his team who was on the ice at the time of the infraction. Such player shall be designated by the Manager or Coach of the penalized team through the Captain. This includes the cases where a player has been assessed a Major penalty for roughing.

Rule 31. Misconduct Penalties

(d) In Minor Hockey, in the last 10 minutes of a game (regular playing time including overtime), any player or team official who is assessed a Game Misconduct, or Gross Misconduct shall automatically be suspended for a minimum of the next regular league or play-off game.

Rule 40. Appointment of Officials

(f) For inter-branch playoff games, only Level V & VI certified Referees shall be appointed, but for National Championships and designated I.L.H.F. competition, the Referee shall be a certified Level VI Referee. This does not necessarily apply to Minor Hockey.

Rule 47. Abuse of Officials and Other Misconduct

(g) (Note): In Minor Hockey, where a team official has been assessed a Misconduct penalty, no player shall be required to go and serve that Misconduct on the penalty bench.

Rule 50. Boarding and Body Checking

(b) In divisions of Atom and below, a Minor penalty shall be assessed any player who, in the opinion of the Referee, intentionally body checks, bumps, shoves or pushes any opposing player.

When the attacking player is skating towards the defending player, the defending player has the right to maintain his position. In this case, the attacking player must avert body contact.

Riding off a player is permitted as long as no body contact occurs between the two players.

Where, in the opinion of the Referee, accidental contact has taken place, no penalty shall be assessed.



JIM HAMILTON, tournament convenor, congratulates Chris Steen and Kevin Neill, 1989 Gordon Alcott Tennis Club Mixed Tournament Champions. (Photo submitted)



JIM HAMILTON, tournament convenor, congratulates Joanne and Ed Hamilton, 1989 Gordon Alcott Tennis Club Mixed Tournament Consolation Champions. (Photo submitted)

Alcott tennis tourney

The Gordon Alcott Tennis Club held its Mixed tournament recently.

Carole MacLeod and Dean Jackson defeated Frank and Val Kimantas 6-1, 6-4. Deb Koster and John Dallison won 6-3, 6-1 against Chris Remes and Frank Abulnar.

Norma Maynard and Al Robitaille defeated Ed and Joanne Van Den Hoek 6-3, 7-6. Chris Steen and Kevin Neill won 6-3, 6-3 against Carole MacLeod and Dean Jackson. Deb Koster and John Dallison in three sets defeated Norma Maynard and Al Robitaille 6-4,

6-7, 6-3.

The winners were Chris Steen and Kevin Neill against Deb Koster and John Dallison 7-5, 6-3.

In the consolation round Joanne and Ed Van Den Hoek defeated Chris Remes and Frank Abulnar, then defeated Frank and Val Kimantas to emerge consolation winners.

Singles tournament will be Sept. 29, 30, Oct. 1. Joanne Van Den Hoek, convenor, 877-8688.

What is SABR?

By John Grabowski

"This book is dedicated to the great pioneer of baseball history and record keeping, Henry Chadwick, and to today's keepers of the flame, the Society for American Baseball Research."

So wrote editors John Thorn and Pete Palmer in "Total Baseball," the new statistical encyclopedia published by Warner Books.

Just what is the Society for American Baseball Research?

You keep hearing or reading references to SABR here and there.

SABR is a non-profit organization that was begun in 1971 by a small group of baseball researchers and historians. Today it has well over 6,000 members, according to Executive Director Norbert Kraich. Any baseball fan can join.

Is SABR composed of only statisticians and historians? Quite the contrary.

A quick flip through the membership directory will yield the names of teachers, doctors, lawyers, salespeople, postal workers, shop owners and construction workers — who all share the same love of the national pastime.

In its constitution, SABR lists five objectives: "to foster the study of baseball as a significant American social and athletic institution; to establish an accurate historical account of baseball through the years; to facilitate the dissemination of baseball research information; to stimulate the best interests of baseball as our national pastime; and, to cooperate in safeguarding proprietary interests of individual research efforts of members of the society."

Various committees cover the research interests of the membership, ranging from "Ballparks," "Baseball Records" and "College Baseball" to "Computerization," "Negro Leagues" and "Nineteenth Century Baseball."

According to Kraich, statistical research on baseball is more popular than ever. The boom in personal computers enables SABR members to generate ever greater amounts of sophisticated, accurate data.

SABR members are kept informed of such new research through a bi-monthly newsletter — and various publications issued throughout the year.

Cultural Centre celebration

The Eighth Annual Library and Cultural Centre Anniversary Celebration is scheduled for Oct. 10 to 12. Local Talent Night will be held Thursday, Oct. 12 at 7 p.m. Application forms may be picked up at the Recreation and Parks Department Office, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Georgetown or the Acton Indoor Pool. For more information please call 873-2600 ext. 276.

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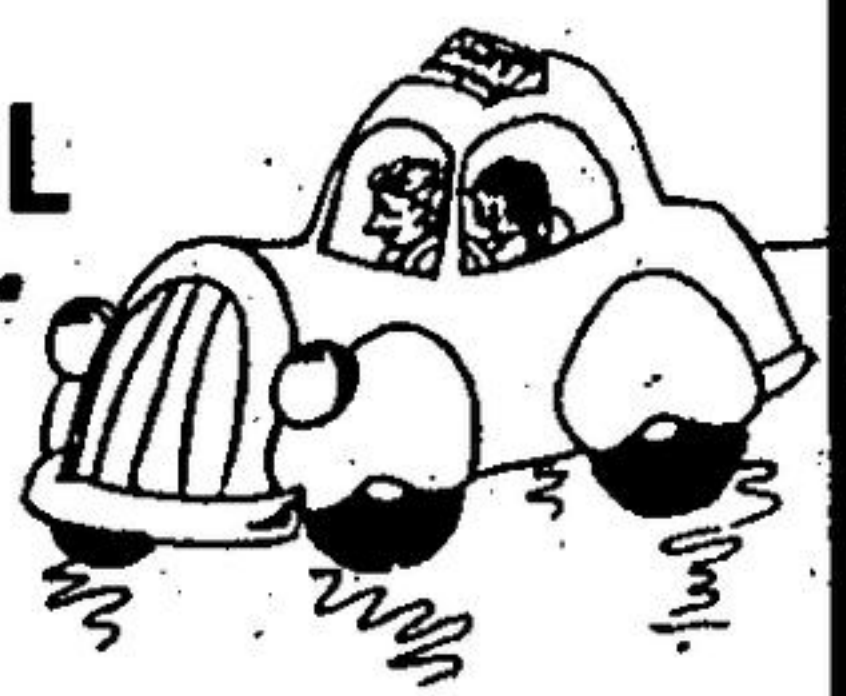
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