

9. ICE HOCKEY — BOYS

A. GENERAL REGULATIONS

1) Interscholastic Participation

- 1.1) Only school teams recognized by the local Board of Education are eligible to participate in the OHSAA-sponsored tournament.
- 1.2) An individual may participate in a reserve game and a varsity game in the same day. Participation in both counts as two games in the contest limitation of 18. (Penalty — See Sports Regulation 17.)
- 1.3) PREVIEW — a maximum of one preview at which admission may be charged may be played according to the following schedule:

A preview may be scheduled and played only during the period of time beginning with the Friday (November 20, 2009) before the season begins and ending with the date of the first regular season game of the teams involved. A preview may not exceed two periods for any one player or team and shall be played according to National Federation Ice Hockey Rules.

- 1.4) Any regular season game in ice hockey which is not started due to unforeseen circumstances, such as failure of team to arrive, strikes, school closings, is “No Contest.” Games not played are not included in won-lost statistics.

- 1.5) A member school, when instituting an interscholastic ice hockey program for its initial season, or renewing such a program after not having had an interscholastic ice hockey program the preceding school year, shall be permitted to conduct tryouts for such interscholastic ice hockey squad between April 15 and May 30 of the relevant year.

Said tryouts shall be conducted under the direction and supervision of the head and/or assistant coach for that interscholastic ice hockey squad, or if not yet retained, an adult familiar with interscholastic ice hockey who shall be selected by the principal and/or athletic administrator of such school.

Said tryouts shall be conducted so as to conflict as little as possible with spring sports sponsored by the member school. Sundays may be used for such tryouts if no other dates are conveniently available for the student athletes, due to academic, athletic or extracurricular activities.

Said school shall conduct no more than three (3) such tryout sessions.

The school shall also conduct a supplemental tryout at the beginning of the winter sports season for all student athletes who could not attend the earlier tryout or who have since enrolled at the member school.

Students qualifying for such squad at the initial April/May tryout shall not be removed from such squad at the winter sports tryout unless academically or otherwise ineligible for participation.

This set of procedures may likewise be used by a member school which is reestablishing an interscholastic ice hockey program so long as such school did not compete in the OHSAA Ice Hockey Tournament the preceding school year.

2) Out-of-State Travel

An ice hockey team may travel out of state to compete in contest scrimmages, previews and games in states or provinces in Canada that are contiguous to Ohio regardless of distance to travel. The states include Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. The province includes Ontario. Additionally, an ice hockey team may travel out of state one time per sport per interscholastic season to compete in states or provinces in Canada that are not contiguous to Ohio provided there is no loss of school time.

“School time” is defined as any time during any day during which the school is in session as stipulated in its Board-adopted school calendar exclusive of contingency days. Penalty for violation: The school shall be ineligible for the OHSAA postseason tournament in the sport in which the out-of-state travel was involved and could be subject to additional penalties as referenced in Bylaw 11.

EXCEPTION: If, because of missed school days due to calamity situations, an otherwise non-school day(s) becomes a school day(s) in order to make-up for the missed school day, the school may compete in a contest(s) outside the state of Ohio provided:

- 1) The school had contracted for/committed to said trip/contest(s) at least three months prior to the contest(s) in question and;
- 2) The school receives written permission from the Commissioner’s office at least one week in advance of the scheduled event.

An ice hockey team may not travel out of state only to practice.

3) Ejection for Unsporting Conduct

See *Ejection Policies for Players and Coaches* under Section 11 of the General Sports Regulations.

4) Non-Interscholastic Participation

4.1) A member of an interscholastic ice hockey squad (any student who has played in a scrimmage, preview or regular season/tournament game as a substitute or starter) sponsored by the Board of Education shall not participate in a non-interscholastic program (tryouts, practice or contest) as an individual or a member of a team in the sport of ice hockey during the school’s season (Sports Regulation 4.3).

4.2) A member of an interscholastic ice hockey squad (any student who has played in a scrimmage, preview or regular season/tournament game as a substitute or starter) sponsored by the Board of Education may participate in non-interscholastic ice hockey prior to and after the school season under the following conditions:

4.21) The number of interscholastic ice hockey players from the same school on the non-interscholastic squad is limited to five on the roster of that non-interscholastic squad. A roster is defined as all the members of the entire squad on that non-interscholastic squad.

Note: Graduating seniors who are participating on a non-interscholastic ice hockey squad after their final interscholastic contest of the season in the sport of ice hockey are exempt from this limitation.

4.22) There is no limit on the number of ice hockey squad members from the same school participating on the same squad during the period June 1-July 31.

4.23) A player may continue to play with a non-interscholastic squad in a national qualifying tournament in excess of the three player limitation after July 31 until the squad is eliminated but no later than Labor Day.

4.24) Non-interscholastic participation includes tryouts, training, practice and competition.

4.25) All-Star Games — There are many directors of non-interscholastic competitions that use the term “All-Star” in describing their events. Student-athletes in team sports who wish to participate in one of these “all-star” competitions outside the interscholastic season of their sports may do so without jeopardy to eligibility provided the students maintain compliance with Sports Regulations 4.3 and 4.5.

The purpose of this special “All-Star” regulation is to provide an opportunity for the interscholastic team sport coach to coach players from his or her own school in a competition that has the following components:

- 1) Participants shall be selected from at least four schools.

- 2) All participants shall be graduating seniors or students completing their athletic eligibility at the end of the semester.
- 3) Participants shall play in no more than two All-Star games.
- 4) Participants shall not participate until after they have participated in their final contest for their school (Sports Regulation 4.3).

Penalty: For a senior, violation of this regulation may result in the loss of athletic eligibility for the balance of the school year. For all other students, the penalty may result in loss of eligibility for the ensuing season in the sport in which the student participated in the All-Star contest.

4.3) Individual Non-Interscholastic Competition Dates:

An ice hockey athlete who has not participated for the school in ice hockey that season must cease non-interscholastic ice hockey competition six weeks (42 days) prior to the Monday of the state tournament in ice hockey in order to be eligible for OHSAA tournament competition provided applicable bylaws and regulations have been followed.

In addition, an athlete who has participated for the school in ice hockey who violates this non-interscholastic competition date by participating in a non-interscholastic contest in ice hockey shall be ineligible for OHSAA tournament competition in ice hockey in addition to any other penalties that may be prescribed.

Date: January 25, 2010.

5) Instructional Programs

See *Regulations for Instructional Programs* under Section 5 of the General Sports Regulations.

6) No Contact Period — Coaches

See *Regulations for No Contact Period — Coaches* under Section 8 of the General Sports Regulations.

7) Penalties

- 7.1) The maximum penalty for violation of Sports Regulation 4.3 (participation with a non-interscholastic ice hockey squad while a member of the school's interscholastic ice hockey squad) or any OHSAA regulations for any member of the school squad EXCEPT a senior is ineligibility for the remainder of the interscholastic ice hockey season or the ensuing ice hockey season. For a senior, the maximum penalty shall be ineligibility for the remainder of the school year.
- 7.2) The penalty for a coach for violation of Sports Regulation 4 (non-interscholastic teams) may include suspension, probation, public censure, fine not to exceed \$1,000 per occurrence, or such other penalty as the Commissioner may deem appropriate.

B. SPECIFIC REGULATIONS — Grades 9-12

- 1) Coaching and instruction may begin — November 6, 2009.
- 2) First game — November 27, 2009.
- 3) Deadline date for OHSAA Tournament — February 1, 2010.
- 4) Tournament draw/seeding meeting — February 10, 2010.
- 5) Coaching and Season end — March 14, 2010.
- 6) Scrimmages and Previews — Maximum of four scrimmages or three scrimmages and one preview. A preview shall be limited to a maximum of two 15 minute periods played according to National Federation Ice Hockey Rules.
- 7) Regular season games — 18.
Invitational tournaments — 2-8 teams equals one game. 9 or more teams equals two games.
- 8) Rules — National Federation Ice Hockey.

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9) Officials

- 9.1) Varsity — OHSAA Class 1 officials recommended.
- 9.2) Reserve/Junior Varsity — OHSAA Class 1 officials recommended.
- 9.3) Freshman — OHSAA Class 1 officials recommended.

C. SPECIFIC REGULATIONS — Grades 7 & 8

- 1) Coaching and instruction may begin — November 6, 2009.
- 2) First game — November 27, 2009.
- 3) Coaching and Season end — March 14, 2010.
- 4) Scrimmages — None permitted.
- 5) Regular season games — 15 plus one postseason tournament not to exceed three games.
- 6) Rules — National Federation Ice Hockey.
- 7) Officials — OHSAA Class 1 Ice Hockey recommended.

Ice Hockey	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015
Coaching Begins	11/6	11/5	11/4	11/2	11/1	11/7
Earliest Preview Date	11/20	11/19	11/18	11/16	11/15	11/21
Season Begins	11/27	11/26	11/25	11/23	11/22	11/28
Non-Interscholastic Date	1/25	1/24	1/23	1/21	1/20	1/26
District	2/15-3/6	2/14-3/5	2/13-3/3	2/11-3/2	2/10-3/1	2/16-3/7
State	3/13-3/14	3/12-3/13	3/10-3/11	3/9-3/10	3/8-3/9	3/14-3/15
Season Ends	3/14	3/13	3/11	3/10	3/9	3/15
Easter	4/4	4/24	4/16	3/31	4/20	4/5
Coach - No Contact Period	8/9-9/6	8/8-9/5	8/7-9/4	8/5-9/2	8/4-9/1	8/10-9/7