

# Neponset Valley League Hockey League 2008-2009 Season



## GAME FORMAT

- ★ 3-17 MINUTE RUNNING TIME PERIODS
  - ★ 3 GOAL DIFFERENTIAL OR LESS - LAST 2 MINUTES WILL BE STOPPED TIME.
  - ★ NO TIME OUT ALLOWED
  - ★ NO OVERTIME WILL BE PLAYED
  - ★ AT THE ONE MINUTE MARK OF WARMUPS, THE REFEREES WILL MEET WITH ONE OR TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM EACH TEAM FOR A BRIEF DISCUSSION ABOUT THE RULES AND EXPECTATIONS FOR THAT GAME. Please circle your reps on the score sheets.
- \*\*\*\*\* There is no checking at the peewee level when playing the Spitfires

## USA HOCKEY RULES APPLY

- ★ TAG UP RULE WILL NOT BE PERMITTED
- ★ ICING IS ICING REGARDLESS OF TEAM STRENGTH
- ★ 5 PENALTIES OF ANY KIND BY THE SAME PLAYER - **GAME EJECTION** FOR THE REMAINDER OF THAT GAME.
- ★ 15 OR MORE PENALTIES OF ANY KIND - **GAME SUSPENSION** FOR HEAD COACH FOR NEXT GAME.
- ★ ALL PLAYERS MUST HAVE A MOUTH GUARD (DOES NOT NEED TO BE ATTACHED) THIS INCLUDES GOALTENDERS.
- ★ A ROSTER COUNT WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE REFEREES AT THE END OF THE FIRST PERIOD. PLEASE SCRATCH ALL PLAYERS NOT PLAYING THAT NIGHT AND THAT HAVE NOT SHOWN UP. IF A PLAYER SHOWS UP AFTER THE FIRST PERIOD, HE/SHE WILL BE ADDED TO THE ROSTER BUT A BENCH MINOR PENALTY WILL BE ISSUED.
- ★ ALL FACE OFFS WILL BE CONDUCTED WITHIN 15 SECONDS AFTER THE INITIAL WHISTLE FOR A LINE CHANGE. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN A FACE OFF WITHOUT PLAYERS IN POSITION.
- ★ 30 SECOND INTERMISSION BETWEEN PERIODS.

## PENALTIES AND FIGHTING

- ★ **MINOR - 1.5 MINUTES STOPPED TIME**
- ★ **MATCHING PENALTIES WILL BE PLAYED AS FIVE ON FIVE.**
- ★ **MAJOR - 4 MINUTES STOPPED TIME**
- ★ **MISCONDUCT - 10 MINUTES RUNNING TIME FOR MISCONDUCT**
- ★ **GAME MISCONDUCT - SUSPENSION FOR BALANCE OF THE GAME AND ONE GAME SUSPENSION**
- ★ **MATCH PENALTY - 4 MINUTES STOPPED TIME, SUSPENSION FOR BALANCE OF THE GAME AND SUSPENSION FROM FURTHER PARTICIPATION IN LEAGUE UNTIL A HEARING**

ALL SUSPENSIONS WILL BE POSTED AND MARKED ON GAMES SHEET TO ENSURE THAT PLAYER DOES NOT DRESS.

**Shirt color issues. If there is a conflict on colors, the Foxboro Sports Center will provide colored pullovers to the HOME TEAM on the schedule.**

**ZERO TOLERANCE – AS YOU ARE ALL AWARE BY NOW, THE FOXBORO SPORTS CENTER**

IS A ZERO TOLERANCE FACILITY. SHOULD THERE BE ANY SPECTATOR PROBLEMS DURING A GAME, THE REFEREES HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO STOP THE GAME, SEND BOTH TEAMS TO THEIR BENCHES, AND TALK TO BOTH COACHES SO THAT ONE OF THEM CAN ASK THE SPECTATOR(S) TO LEAVE. THE TIME CLOCK WILL REMAIN RUNNING UNTIL THE SPECTATOR(S) LEAVE THE FACILITY.

THE REFEREES WILL ONLY EXPLAIN A RULE DECISION TO THE HEAD COACH ONLY. PLEASE USE YOUR CAPTAIN(S) TO TALK TO THE REFEREES WHEN A QUESTION NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED. THE REFEREES WILL NOT AND SHOULD NOT ANSWER QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO A JUDGEMENT CALL UNLESS IT IS CONSIDERED A RULE ISSUE.