

ILLAWARRA DISTRICT HOCKEY INCORPORATED

COMPETITION BY LAWS

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1. REGISTRATIONS & GRADINGS

1.01 No player can play for more than one (1) Club during the season unless approval has been granted by the Board.

New By-Law Approved 15.11.2004

All club players, coaches and officials must be registered with the IDHI.

New By-Law Approved 15.11.2004

All adults associated with Junior Club or Representative teams must complete the relevant Child Protection forms.

New By-Law Approved 15.11.2004

Individual player registration forms must be in the hands of the Director Records & Registrations (48) forty eight hours before the commencement of their first (1st) competition game.

Team gradings to be on the Association form and shall be in the hands of the Director Records & Registrations forty eight (48) hours before the commencement of the first (1st) competition game. Failure to complete forms shall warrant them ineligible for acceptance.

1.02 The Director Records & Registrations will check all score cards for ungraded and unregistered players.

1.03 Late registrations may be lodged with the Director Records & Registrations forty-eight (48) hours prior to the commencement of a match.

1.04 Registrations of all players shall cease to be effective at the ensuing Annual General Meeting. No registrations will be accepted after the 30th June, unless approved by the Board. No player shall be registered with more than one club affiliated with Illawarra District Hockey Incorporated.

Amended 24.2.92

1.05 No player of an unfinancial club may transfer to another club unless permission has been granted by the Board.

1.06 All submitted player gradings are subject to Board approval.

1.07 All applications for player regrades are to be notified to the Director Records & Registrations by 9.00 p.m. on the Wednesday prior to the next competition match. The Director Records & Registrations shall consider applications and if necessary he shall consult two (2) other members of the Board for consideration, before notifying the club of the decision.

All applications for regrades are to be supported in writing, to reach the Director Records & Registrations not later than the following Thursday. Failure to notify in writing shall result in the initial regrades being declared void.

Amended 22.2.93

1.08 No player graded in first (1st) or second (2nd) grade shall be permitted to play in a lower grade, with the following exception:- where a club's second lowest team is graded in either of these grades, they shall nominate four (4) players from that team, who shall be eligible to play in that club's lowest graded team, from time to time if necessary. The nomination of such players shall be subject to approval by the Board, and not more than two (2) of these shall play in the lower grade in any one (1) match.

For teams graded in third (3rd) grade or lower, each club shall be entitled to play a maximum of two (2) players per match in the grade immediately below their approved grade.

No player shall play any more than two (2) games in the grade immediately below his approved grade.

In semi finals, finals and grand finals, a player may only play in his approved grade or higher.

Where a club has two (2) or more teams in the one (1) grade or age division, players must be graded

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in individual teams. In addition, each team is entitled to play a maximum of two (2) players from the other team in that grade in their particular match in each round. Players may only play across twice in a season. Written application seeking exemption for this By-Law must be made to the Board.

Amended 15.11.2004

1.09 All team gradings and registrations are available for inspection, upon application in writing to the Director Administration by any affiliated club.

1.10 If a player does not play in his/her approved grade for three (3) consecutive weeks, the Director Records and Registrations shall instruct the club concerned that the player in question must remain graded in that grade and that the Club must also regrade a player from a lower grade to fill that vacancy (unless the club can justify to the Director Records and Registrations that this By-Law should not be applied).

If that player misses two (2) additional matches in that grade, the club must contact the Board to explain why that player should remain graded.

Representative players, umpires and officials are exempt from this By-Law for up to 6 weeks.

Amended 22.11.2000

1.11 Designated goalkeepers may apply to the Director Records and Registrations for an additional grading to allow them to play as a field player in grades other than those allowed by their goalkeeper grading. This additional grading shall be viewed by the By-Laws as a separate player in every regard except for By-Law category 11 (Judiciary Committee) under which the gradings shall be seen as joint. To distinguish between the two gradings, when playing as a goalkeeper this must be appropriately recorded on the match card, otherwise the field playing grading shall be applied.

Amended 16.3.98

1.12 Long term injured or unavailable players must return to play in their registered playing grade or up to one (1) grade below their registered grading.

New By-Law Approved 22.11.2000

1.13 Senior Players can play a maximum of two (2) competition matches per round. Junior Players can play a maximum of four (4) competition matches per week to include a maximum of 2 Senior matches and a maximum of two (2) competition matches per day. Representative matches are not included in this restriction. Written application seeking exemption for this By-Law must be made to the Board by the Thursday preceding the match

New By-Law Approved 15.11.2004

1.14 Current National Hockey League players can play in ONLY is the highest grade available for that club.

New By-Law Approved 22.11.2000

1.15 The Board reserves the right to grade a player from a lower to a higher grade where such players ability either past or current clearly indicates that they are playing in a grade significantly below their ability.

New By-Law Approved 22.11.2000

1.16 Clubs cannot re-grade a player into a team that has a bye in that particular round.

New By-Law Approved 22.11.2000

1.17. Any player who has been graded in 1st grade during the current season CANNOT play any lower than 2nd grade for the remainder of the season. Written application seeking exemption for this By-Law must be made to the Board.

New By-Law Approved 19.11.2002

1.18. Any player who has been graded in 2nd grade during the current season CANNOT play any lower than 3rd grade for the remainder of the season. Written application seeking exemption for this By-Law must be made to the Board.

New By-Law Approved 19.11.2002

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1.19. Once a Player cannot qualify for the Semi-Final Series, Clubs must apply to the Board asking for permission for that player to play in further IDHI Competition matches.

New By-Law Approved 19.11.2002

1.20. If a player is regraded, he must play at least one match in that grade before he can be regraded again. Written application seeking exemption for this By-Law must be made to the Board.

New By-Law Approved 19.11.2002

1.21. If a player is suspended, he is ineligible to be graded during the suspension.

New By-Law Approved 19.11.2002

1.22. For the 11 players graded in each team, one of these players must be graded as an appropriate goalkeeper. Unless the team in question is the lowest graded team for that club, only one goalkeeper can be graded per team.

New By-Law Approved 19.11.2002

2. COMPETITION STRUCTURE

2.01 The competition shall be conducted in grades and age divisions as decided by the Board. The player's age for the age division is that at 1st January annually. Clubs shall be invited to nominate teams in each grade/age division. Once the nominations have been received, the Board shall decide in which grade the nominated teams shall play. Where a club has more teams than there are grades, the Board shall nominate the two (2) or more teams of the club which are to play in any one (1) grade.

Amended 15.11.2004

2.02 Players must be 15 years of age or over to play in the grade competitions. If players 14 years and under wish to play grade Hockey the players must provide a letter from their parents/guardians allowing them to play grade Hockey and the club concerned must demonstrate to the Board that the player is capable of playing grade Hockey. The Board may then give permission for the underage player to play in grade competitions

New By-Law Approved 15.11.2004

2.03 In junior competitions, players may only play in their own age division and the next higher age division. Under no circumstances may a player play in a lower age division or two age divisions higher. The board on application from a club may grant permission for exemption from this by-law.

Amended 15.11.2011

2.04 Clubs must seek the approval from the Board in order to amalgamate in an age division and only where each Club has insufficient numbers to field a team in its own right. In order to constitute an amalgamated Club team, there must be at least 3 registered members from each of the amalgamating Clubs. Once approval has been gained for amalgamation, the amalgamated Club may draw players as required from lower age divisions of either of the amalgamating Clubs without the prior approval of the Board.

New By-Law Approved 15.11.2004

2.05. In Under 11 matches, the team Coach **only** is permitted inside the fence (or on the artificial surface where no fence exists) for the purpose of providing guidance to players new to the full field game. The coach must position themselves so that they do not interfere with play or the umpires vision of the game. Once the Under 11 competition is split into divisions or during semi finals the Coach shall remain off the field of play at all times and is restricted to the sideline area on the side of the field where the duty official is located and is not allowed on the backline areas in the highest division. Coaches may remain on the field for lower divisions.

Amended 15.11.2011

2.06 Duration of matches

- (i) Seniors - 35 minutes each way with a 5 minute interval for halftime
- (ii) Juniors – 30 minutes each way with a 5 minute interval for halftime
- (iii) Modified/Minkey – as determined by the BOM

New By-Law Approved 20.11.2006

2.07 Illawarra District Hockey Incorporated has adopted the Hockey NSW policy that all players MUST wear properly fitted mouth guards (recommended that mouth guards be fitted in accordance with guidelines from the Australian Dental Association) and moulded approved shin pads in all IDHI

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competition matches and all club and IDHI training sessions.

Players seeking exemption from wearing a mouthguard must supply a suitable letter from their dentist or doctor to the Board.

New By-Law Approved 22.2.2011

2.08 All jewelry items including ear rings, necklaces and plastic armbands must be removed or taped over and facial piercings must be covered up for all competition matches.

New By-Law Approved 15.11.2011

2.09 Representative players who have played for the Illawarra A team at the NSW championships during a particular field hockey season are not permitted to transfer to another club for the following field hockey season unless that club team finished lower on the competition points table than the players current club team in their age group. Written application seeking exemption for this By-Law must be made to the Board.

New By-Law Approved 21.2.2012

3. COMPETITION POINTS

3.01 Win - 3

Draw - 1

Loss - 0

Bye - 0

Forfeit - 3

Amended 18.11.86

3.02 The Senior Club Championship competition will be determined by summing for each Club the points gained in competition matches in First Grade multiplied by the number of grades, Second Grade multiplied by number of grades minus 1, Third Grade multiplied by the number of grades minus 2, Fourth grade multiplied by the number of grades minus 3, Fifth Grade multiplied by the number of grades minus 4 ETC.

The Junior Club Championship competition will be determined by summing for each Club the points gained in competition matches in Under 11's, Under 13's, Under 15's & Under 17's.

Modified/Minkey results shall not count towards the Club Championship.

New By-Law Approved 15.11.2004

4. TEAM & CAPTAIN OBLIGATIONS

4.01 Each team shall pay all fines and dues on the date, as stipulated by the Board, under penalty of loss of competition points gained while being unfinancial.

4.02 It shall be the responsibility of the last Duty Team of the day to forward the day's results to the Director Records & Registrations and to send the Result Sheets to the Director Records & Registrations by the following Monday.

Amended 20.11.01

4.03 Each club shall nominate at the beginning of the season, a minimum of two (2) players from each team, who are willing to umpire if required.

4.04 Each team shall supply one (1) ball per match.

Amended 24.2.92

4.05 Teams must take the field in colours registered with the Association. Any temporary change of colours shall be subject to the approval of the Board. Any player failing to comply with this, shall not be allowed to participate in a game until he is correctly attired. Playing shirts are to be numbered on the back of the shirt, with numbers at least 15 cm high.

Amended 12.11.90

4.06 Each club shall give the maximum support to junior teams and the Junior Association. The form and extent of this support shall be decided by the individual clubs.

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4.07 Duty Team Responsibilities

1. At least 5 minutes before the game
 - a. Have the team captains complete player names and shirt numbers on the Result Sheet. Goalkeepers must be clearly marked on the Result Sheet.
2. Before the game
 - a. Hand the result sheet to the Umpires to inspect. Discuss with the Umpires any requirements they may have, such as signals to be used for time out, length of player suspensions etc. Adjust scoreboard clock and set goals scored to zero
3. During the game
 - a. Record details of goal scorers on Result Sheet. Assist Umpires if requested to manage players/ coaches/ managers on team benches. Manage suspended players, if requested by Umpires
 - b. Adjust scoreboard as required, for goals scored, time outs and half time
 - c. Ensure interchange players names are added to the Result Sheet before they go onto the field
 - d. Ensure that suspended players are marked on the Result Sheet
4. After the game
 - a. Ensure Umpires complete suspension details if necessary, add Player of the Year points and sign the Result Sheet. Ensure captains sign the Result Sheet. Place the Result Sheet in the folder provided in the Bench Officials room.

New By-Law Approved 20.11.01

4.08 Match Results Sheets.

4.08.1 Match Results Sheets, in an approved format, will be provided by IDHI for each competition match.

4.08.2 Team Captains or nominated team managers only must complete a team list, in BLOCK LETTERS on the approved Match Result Sheet before the commencement of the game. No player is to take the field if their name and playing number are not listed on the Match Result Sheet.

4.08.3 Only players who intend to or are capable of taking the field to be part of the game are to be listed on the Match Results Sheet. The Player's shirt number must be recorded adjacent to their name.

4.08.4 Up to 16 (sixteen) players or intending players may be listed.

4.09.5 The team captain or manager must nominate on the Match Result sheet the starting 11 (eleven) players which must include a designated goal keeper.

4.08.6 The Technical Official (where appointed – otherwise the “home team”), and/or Umpires are responsible for recording the match results, including goals scored and any players or team officials suspensions. The Match Results Sheet must be signed by the Technical Official (where appointed), and both Umpires.

4.08.7 At the conclusion of the match, the team captains or managers must strike out the names of any players listed on the Match Results Sheet, who did not take the field.

4.08.9 The team captains or nominated managers shall sign the completed match sheet. It is both team's Captains' responsibility to ensure all appropriate match sheet details are correct and completed legibly, including completion of all details required by the umpires.

4.08.10 Once a match sheet has been signed by both captains or managers, no further adjustments or changes can be made. A signed sheet is considered as the final record of the match.

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4.08.11 Any team proved to have nominated a player or players as having played in match where they did not take the field shall be penalised competition points and may be subject to further penalties as determined by the Board.

4.08.12 A breach of the Match Result By-Law (19) may also incur fines and or penalties as set out in By-Law 15: *Fines*.

New By-Law Approved 15.11.11

5. INJURED PLAYERS' INSURANCE

Each affiliated club is responsible for ensuring that their registered members are adequately covered by an Injured Players' Insurance scheme. All clubs are required to notify the Association of the applicable insurance coverage at the commencement of each season.

6. CONDITIONS OF PLAY

6.01 The team with the most points shall be the Minor Premiers. In the event of two (2) or more teams being equal on points, the team with the highest goal average shall be the Minor Premiers.

6.02 The four (4) leading teams shall play off for the Premiership in each grade as follows:

SEMI FINAL	1 v 2 and 3 v 4
FINAL	Loser 1 v 2 plays Winner 3 v 4
GRAND FINAL	Winner 1 v 2 plays Winner of Final

6.03 In the event of teams being level on points, to decide the first four (4) places, goal averages shall be taken into account. The goal averages shall be worked on the following basis: Goals for divided by goals against.

Where teams are level on goal averages, the team scoring the most goals shall be declared the winner.

In the event of forfeits, the team gaining the forfeit shall be credited with a 3 - 0 win, and the other team a 0 - 3 loss.

7. SEMI FINALS, FINALS & GRAND FINALS

7.01 In **Senior** Semi Finals and Finals, if the result is a draw at full time, ten (10) minutes extra time each way shall be played following a five (5) minute break ***under sudden death conditions (1st team scoring a goal terminates the match)***. There shall be no interval between the periods of extra time. If still a draw, the result of the match will be awarded to the team highest on the Competition Points Table, at the completion of the preliminary rounds.

In **Junior** Semi Finals and Finals, if the result is a draw at full time, ***five (5) minutes*** extra time each way shall be played following a five (5) minute break ***under sudden death conditions (1st team scoring a goal terminates the match)***. There shall be no interval between the periods of extra time. If still a draw, the result of the match will be awarded to the team highest on the Competition Points Table, at the completion of the preliminary rounds.

Amended 20.11.2006

7.02 In **Senior** Grand Finals, if the result is a draw at full time, ten (10) minutes each way extra time shall be played following a five (5) minute break. There shall be no interval between the periods of extra time. If the match is still a draw, then an additional five (5) minutes extra time each way under sudden death conditions (1st team scoring a goal terminates the match) shall be played with no interval between the periods of extra time. If still a draw, the result of the match will be awarded to the team highest on the Competition Points Table, at the completion of the preliminary rounds.

In **Junior** Grand Finals, if the result is a draw at full time, ***five (5) minutes*** each way extra time shall be played following a five (5) minute break ***under sudden death conditions (1st team scoring a goal terminates the match)***. There shall be no interval between the periods of extra time. If still a draw, the result of the match will be awarded to the team highest on the Competition Points Table, at the

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completion of the preliminary rounds.

Amended 20.11.2006

7.03 A player must play in a minimum of 50% of the rounds throughout the year to qualify for semi finals, finals and grand finals. The number of rounds representing 50% for each *grade/age division* is determined by dividing the number of matches played by each team (available rounds) in the season by two (rounding up to a whole number).

If a player through documented injury/illness or representative duties to Illawarra Men's Hockey or one of its parent bodies can not meet this requirement, written application may be made to the Board to reduce for that player the available rounds used in the calculation by the number of weeks that an exemption is granted for.

In addition, clubs may apply to the Board for additional general player exemptions for the semi finals, finals and grand finals for GRADE players only.

Each grade team in each club is allowed 2 (two) "credit" rounds that the Club can use to qualify players for the semi finals, finals and grand finals. e.g. a 5 team club can use up to 10 credit rounds to qualify players for the finals; a 4 team clubs gets 8 credits etc.

A maximum of 4 credit rounds can be used for any one player and the number of available credit rounds for players varies as in the table below.

Competition Rds	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Allowance	Nil	1	1	2	2	3	3	4	4

For Example - for a competition with 21 rounds in that grade, a player can receive up to 4 credit rounds to qualify for the for semi finals, finals and grand finals.

Credits can only be used for players solely registered with IDHI.

The minimum number of rounds that a player must play to qualify for the Final Series is 7 (seven) rounds.

In addition, all players must play in a minimum of five (5) matches in a particular grade or below to qualify for that grade or above in the semi finals, finals and grand finals.

Amended 28.7.2010

8. ABANDONED, POSTPONED OR DEFERRED MATCHES

8.01 Subject to rule 9.01, the umpires shall decide if a match should be abandoned because of rain or the condition of the playing fields, provided no decision has been previously made by the Board.

8.02 If a game is not played due to wet weather or the condition of the playing fields under By Law 8.01, the Competition Director shall decide if the match is to be rescheduled, and if so, the date, time and venue it shall take place.

Amended 20.11.01

8.03 If a match is abandoned during play due to the weather, the team leading at the time shall be the winner. However, if the Board considers that insufficient time had been played in the match, the Board can decide to reschedule that match.

Amended 20.11.01

8.04 If a match is abandoned during play for any reason other than that in Rule 8.03, a Board decision regarding rescheduling of the match shall apply.

Amended 20.11.01

8.05 Under no circumstances shall a match be postponed if no umpires are available. The captains or players delegated by them shall act as umpires.

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8.06 Adoption of the Lightning Safety Code -The lightning safety code calls for play to be stopped when the lightning/thunder ratio reaches 30 seconds or less. i.e. the time between when the lightning is seen and the thunder is heard is 30 seconds or less. This means that the lightning is 10 km away and the next strike has a "significant risk" of hitting the people who have seen the lightning and heard the thunder. Play should not commence until 30 minutes after the last lightning strike and thunder.

New By-Law Approved 15.11.2004

8.07 Where both participating teams in a match mutually agree to defer a game they must both notify the Competition Director at least 7 days prior to the scheduled match date advising the agreed date and time that the match will be rescheduled to. It will be responsibility of the participating clubs to supply match officials for the rescheduled match. All rescheduled matches must be played at least 14 days prior to the commencement of semi finals or the splitting of a competition into divisions.

New By-Law Approved 15.11.2011

9. MINIMUM PLAYING STRENGTH OF TEAMS

9.01 A captain may request five (5) minutes grace if he is unable to field a complete team. When this time elapses, his team consisting of at least seven (7) players must take the field or forfeit the match.

9.02 If a team receives a forfeit it shall be entitled to use of the appointed ground for the period of the scheduled match.

10. TROPHIES

Perpetual trophies shall be awarded to the Minor Premiers and a maximum of sixteen (16) individual awards to all grade premierships winning teams. An individual Player of the Year Award will be awarded to a player in each grade. Additional trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the Board.

Amended 20.11.01

11. JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

11.01 The Judiciary Committee shall comprise of at least five (5) members with a quorum of 3 (three) members.

Amended 20.11.01

11.02 It shall be the duty of the Committee to enquire into any charges of misconduct against a member of the Association.

11.03 If the charge is proved, the Committee shall take such disciplinary action as it deems necessary.

11.04 Any member so suspended shall have the right to appeal to a combined meeting of the Board and the Judiciary Committee, provided that such an appeal must be received within 14 days of the notice of the suspension and will only be dealt with on the grounds of severity, or new evidence, provided such an appeal will be heard within three (3) days of written application being received by the Director Administration. The Board ruling shall be final. A player shall not be permitted to play pending an appeal.

Amended 20.11.01

11.05 If a player receives a Red Card, the player CANNOT play in a competition match until the Judiciary Committee has met to issue the relevant penalty. The player will receive an automatic ONE (1) round suspension and the umpires must allocate a number of points depending on the seriousness of the offense.

However, the player has the right to appear before the Judiciary Committee to discuss the circumstances of the Red Card. In this situation, the player must inform the Director Administration, IN WRITING, by 4.00pm on the Tuesday immediately following the issuing of the Red Card that they require their case heard before the Judiciary Committee and the Committee will convene a hearing as soon as possible.

Amended 22.11.2000

11.06 The Judiciary Committee shall have the power to cite any player who has been temporarily suspended one (1) or more times, at their discretion, dependant upon the nature of the offences. The Judiciary Committee shall notify the club secretary of the date that the player is to appear, such

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appearance to be within fourteen (14) days of the last known offence. In the event of a result card being 'Late', the appearance shall take place within seven (7) days of the club being notified. Any player failing to appear before the Judiciary Committee, when required to do so, shall be suspended until such time as he does appear.

11.07 Any team playing a suspended player will be fined three (3) competition points. The club shall be notified of any suspensions before the next competition match.

Amended 15.11.93

11.08 Umpires will allocate a number of points depending on the seriousness of each Yellow and Red card issued. Once a player has reached a total of 10 points from the points allocation – the player is suspended for ONE (1) competition round. For every 2 additional points accumulated by the offending player a further ONE (1) round suspension is added to the penalty

Red Card points allocated will be added to a players accumulated Yellow Card points.

In addition, if a player reaches a total of 10 points or more, that player MUST appear before the Judiciary Committee to discuss the situation.

If a player is given a second yellow card for the same offence during the match, the Umpire must issue a Red Card to the player and the player is suspended for the remainder of the match. Points received for both Yellow Cards must be recorded on the Match Result Sheet. The automatic 1 round suspension would only apply if both Yellow cards were adjudged as 5 point offenses (unless the player has accumulated other points which now total over the 10 point total).

Amended 22.11.2000

12. INTERCHANGE OF PLAYERS

Each team shall be entitled to use a maximum of sixteen (16) players per match a maximum of eleven (11) on the field at any one time. All interchanges shall be under the control of the umpires.

Amended 7.12.98

For First Grade matches only - Each team shall be entitled to use a maximum of twelve (12) field players and two (2) goal keepers per match - a maximum of eleven (11) on the field at any one time. For first grade final series matches - Each team shall be entitled to use a maximum of sixteen (16) players per match. All interchanges shall be under the control of the match officials.

Amended 21/2/12

13. TEAM FORFEITS

Forfeits will occur for any of the following reasons:

13.01 If a team fails to take the field after five (5) minutes grace, requested by its captain, has elapsed or when called upon to do so by the umpires.

13.02 If a team takes the field with less than seven (7) players. In the event of both teams fielding less than seven (7) players neither side shall be entitled to claim competition points for the match. The umpires must notify the Director Records and Registrations within five (5) days of such an occurrence.

13.03 If a team plays an unregistered player or a registered player of another club affiliated with Illawarra Men's Hockey Incorporated.

Amended 24.2.92

13.04 Any team proved to have contravened By-Law 13 shall be penalised competition points and pay the ground hire charges and umpires fees for that match.

Amended 20.11.01

13.05 A team that forfeits a match will receive no competition points and the club to which this team belongs will be awarded no competition points in all matches below the forfeiting grade. Written application seeking exemption for this By-Law must be made to the Board. **New By-Law Approved 21.2.2012**

14. ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

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14.01 The Selection Committee shall select representative squads and teams as and when directed by the Board. Such squads and teams shall be chosen from all registered players of the Association. Any player not available for selection shall notify the Association of his unavailability.

14.02 Team Coaches, in conjunction with the Board, are to arrange training and trial matches prior to the New South Wales Championships in each year. Players failing to notify the Association of their unavailability, or failing to report for a scheduled match when selected, without reasonable excuse, shall be subject to disciplinary action. Players will be required to pay such costs as stipulated to cover expenses for representative fixtures, unless allocation has been made from the Association's funds.

14.03 The Selectors, in conjunction the team coach, shall appoint a team captain and vice captain, whose names shall be submitted for approval by the Board. In the event of a coach being a member of a representative team, he shall automatically become captain. Selection of teams for matches shall be carried out by those Selectors present and able to function as such, together with the team coach, who shall have a casting vote in the event of an even vote. If in any event the number of selectors available does not allow for a quorum, then the Manager, Captain and Vice Captain (in that order) shall be added to the Selection Committee until it constitutes a quorum.

14.04 Team Managers shall be responsible for the conduct of team members, and shall be responsible for such disciplinary action as may be necessary, and shall report on the conduct and discipline of the team to the Board. The Manager shall also be responsible for the issue and return of all Association equipment, in good condition. Any player failing to return such equipment issued, shall meet the cost of such replacement.

15. FINES

The following fines and penalties will apply for each offense of the following:

Amended 20.11.01

15.01 Failure to have at least one (1) club delegate at a General Committee Meeting.

\$100.00 FINE.

Amended 10.11.2006

15.02 A team playing an unregistered, or ungraded, or suspended player.

AN INITIAL FINE OF \$10.00, AND LOSS OF COMPETITION POINTS GAINED PER MATCH.

Their opponents shall be awarded the points for the match and the match classified as a forfeit.

15.03 Failure to pay fines and dues on the date stipulated.

LOSS OF COMPETITION POINTS GAINED WHILE UNFINANCIAL.

The points taken away shall not be awarded to their opponents.

15.04 Failure to forward the Results to the Director Records and Registrations and to send the Results Sheets in the Director Records and Registrations in the specified time (By-Law 4.03).

\$10 FINE.

Amended 20.11.01

15.05 For a contravention of any part of By-Law 1.08 (Grading Restrictions) OR By-Law 12 (Interchange) OR By-Law 13 (Forfeits).

LOSS OF COMPETITION POINTS GAINED PER MATCH.

Their opponents shall be awarded the points for the match and the match classified as a 3-0 win for the winning team and a 0-3 loss to the losing team.

Amended 20.11.01

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15.06 Failure to supply one (1) ball for a match (By-Law 4.05).

\$5 FINE.

Amended 20.11.01

15.07 Clubs failing to supply an umpire to a match after the Club had been appointed to that match.

\$25 FINE.

New By-Law Approved 20.11.01

15.08 Clubs failing to perform the Duty Team responsibilities for a match after the Club had been appointed to that match.

\$25 FINE.

New By-Law Approved 20.11.01

16. UMPIRES

16.01 The IDHI invite the Umpiring Committee to appoint umpire to all matches played in the Illawarra competition, and games played by our Association within our district.

16.02 Badged umpires shall be re-reimbursed for matches controlled as per the current Umpires Incentive Scheme.

16.03 Players given yellow cards shall go directly to a safe place determined by the Umpire but not to or to the vicinity of his/her team's dugout or assembly position. If there is a central officiating position, the player will retire there, otherwise to a safe neutral position as determined by the umpire where he/she will wait until summoned back to the field by the Umpire. No person other than an Association Official or an Umpire may approach or converse with the suspended player while he/she remains suspended. For U13 age and younger players the team coach/manager is allowed to approach & converse with the suspended player in the designated safe area

Players who receive a red card will proceed immediately to the dugout, collect their clothing and playing equipment and leave the dugout or assembly position immediately."

New By-Law Approved 15.11.2004

17. COMPETITION BY LAWS

17.01 These Competition By Laws may be amended or rescinded wholly or in part at a General Meeting by a two thirds majority of those present and entitled to vote, provided that at least fourteen (14) days notice of any motion to amend or rescind shall be given in writing to all persons entitled to attend and vote at that meeting.

17.02 Officers of the Association and member clubs and bodies shall each be supplied with complete and correct copies of these Competition By Laws from time to time and with suitable amendment advises immediately after minor amendments are approved.

18. CONSTITUTION

18.01 Competition conducted by the Association shall be conducted in accordance with these Competition By- Laws and any Constitution clauses adopted to govern such, subject to any amendments passed at General Meetings so called to deal with such amendments.

18.02 Amendments, variations, recisions or additions, either wholly or in part shall be dealt in accordance with the same provisions and conditions as applying to these Competition By Laws and the Constitution of the Association.

19. TRANSITION

19.01 These Competition By Laws were approved by the Association in General Meeting on 25th February 1985, and shall have force and effect from 25th February 1985.

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19.02 All decisions made under the former Competition By Laws and Constitution of the Association shall be deemed to have been made under these Competition By Laws.

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