



2009-2011 Rule Change Summary

General Membership Training
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Themes



- Minimal rule changes
- Focus is on enforcing what is already there
 - Strict Standard of Play
 - Speed, Strength, Skill
 - Triggers and Snapshots
 - Fair Play and Respect
 - Zero Tolerance
 - Spectator Ejection
 - Team Official Ejection
- Review Codes of Conduct

Housekeeping Changes

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- Sticks wording (301)
- Skates wording (302a)
- Protective Equipment wording (304e)
- Match Penalty process clarification (405c)
- Recording a PS on the scoresheet (505a)
- Head Butting moved to rule 616c (603d)
- Fisticuffs wording (613)
- Interference By Spectators wording (622b)

Major and Match Penalties

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- When a player receives a major + GM or match penalty, the team shall put a replacement in the penalty box **before the penalty expires**
 - Replacement must enter the box during a stoppage
 - Replacement must return to the ice from the penalty bench
 - Returning to play from the player's bench or entering the penalty bench during play is a minor penalty
 - Be proactive and communicate with the coach and the penalty timekeeper/scorekeeper

Goalkeeper Equipment

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- The smaller goalkeeper equipment is now required, not recommended
 - Familiarize yourself with the dimensions
 - Any measurement on a challenge is done immediately
 - A penalty will result either way

Goal Scored During Penalty

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- A delayed penalty that is nullified by a goal is still recorded on the scoresheet
 - Counts towards the 5/15 penalty rule
 - Important to remember the player's number
 - Partners can be a tremendous help with this
 - No change if there is already a penalty being served

Abuse of Officials

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- If *a team* has been assessed a bench minor for abuse, and *any Team Official* persists in the abuse, that Team Official will be assessed a GM
 - “Persists” applies from the time the bench minor was assessed until it terminates
 - A second occurrence of abuse after the BM has terminated does *not* warrant an immediate GM

Removal of Helmet

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- A player who removes his/her helmet, or his/her opponent's helmet before or during an altercation will receive a GM
 - “Altercation” is physical interaction between opponents that results in penalties
 - At the older levels, look for face washes and pushes to the back of the helmet
 - This is in addition to any other GM that may be assessed for fisticuffs