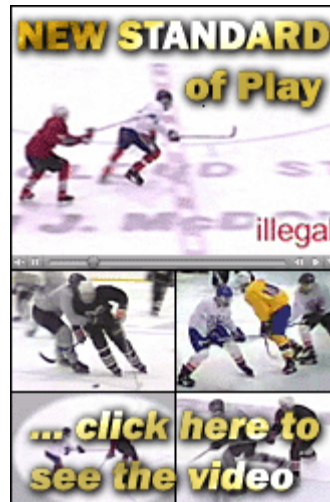




Triggers and Snapshots



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Strict Standard Background

Ice Hockey Officials

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- Focus is on returning speed, skill and strength to the game
- Penalize players who deny opponents the opportunity to display speed, skill and strength
- Special emphasis on restraining fouls
- No new rules, just strict enforcement of existing rules
- Initiative adopted and driven by ***all segments of USA Hockey – not just the officiating program***

Triggers

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- Definition
 - An action that prepares you for what *might happen next*
- Example
 - Player leaving his/her feet
- New triggers
 - Stick approaching horizontal
 - Hands coming off stick
 - Stick between opponent's legs
 - Defending player gets beat
 - End zone faceoff (outside official)
 - Player “making himself bigger”

Snapshots

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- Last year's "video clip"
 - Wait for play to develop after an illegal action
 - Call made based on outcome
 - Allowed for a much bigger grey area
 - Involved more judgement
- This year's snapshot
 - View an action on its own merits
 - Call no longer based on outcome
 - Grey area is ***much smaller now***
 - ***Less judgement***

Penalty Criteria

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- Blatant
- Takes Away a Scoring Opportunity
- Causes a Change of Possession
- Injury Potential
- *Negates or diminishes a positional advantage legally gained by an opponent through an illegal action*

Key Phrases to Remember

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“Two hands on the stick
and stick on the ice”

“One player, one stick”

“What was legal about that
play?”