

# **Except and Unless**

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# Well Known Exceptions



- A puck that is struck with a high stick is illegal
  - unless it goes to an opponent
  - unless it goes into the offending team's goal
- A puck batted with the hand is legal except if it goes to a teammate and the pass is not initiated and completed in the defensive zone
- A stoppage in an end zone shall result in a last play faceoff unless the stoppage was caused by the attacking team, then an neutral zone face-off will result
- Deliberate displacement of the goal is a minor penalty except during the last two minutes of regulation or any time during overtime when it becomes a penalty shot
- Deliberate illegal substitution is a bench minor except during the last two minutes of regulation or any time during overtime, when it becomes a penalty shot

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- When play is stopped for a penalty, a last play face-off shall take place
  - unless the infraction was committed by a player in his attacking zone, in which case a neutral zone face-off will take place
  - unless the non-penalized team ices the puck in which case the face-off shall be conducted on the neutral zone spot closest to the non-penalized team's defending zone
- All age groups except Mites, Squirts, Girls U8, and Girls U10 are required to wear colored mouthpieces
- If any player of the defending team except the goaltender is able to play the puck in an icing situation, icing shall be nullified.

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- The referee shall signal a delayed penalty against a team not in possession of the puck unless the penalty is a misconduct or game misconduct in which case no signal will be given
- Throwing a stick or any other object at the puck is a minor penalty unless the puck is in the player's defending zone, in which case a penalty shot/optional minor will result
- Illegal goaltender substitution will result in a center ice face-off unless the offending team has possession in their defending half of the ice in which case a last play face-off will result
- In a three man system the linesman shall not stop play to assess a penalty except for
  - articles thrown from the bench
  - too many men on the ice

# Subtle Exceptions



- A player who is assessed a major penalty must be substituted on the penalty bench before the major expires unless the major is against a goaltender, then the substitution is immediate
- When a major and a minor are assessed to the same player, the major is served first unless it is coincident with a major penalty to an opponent
- If a player is injured while his team has possession of the puck, play shall be stopped immediately *unless* his team is in a scoring position
- A substitute goaltender shall not be granted time to warmup unless either team uses their timeout (in a non-curfew game)