

VICTORIA DURHAM MINOR HOCKEY LEAGUE

MANUAL OF OPERATIONS

REVISED APRIL 2024

1. Amendments

Any changes, additions or deletions to the Manual of Operations may be discussed at any monthly meeting, with notice, and a simple majority of the voting members present will pass the changes, additions or deletions.

2. Membership Fees

Each centre will pay a membership fee annually which will be set at the September meeting. The fee is due and payable to the Treasurer at the October league meeting. New member centres joining Victoria Durham will be required to pay a bond of \$200.00.

3. Scheduling

- a. All centres will play full loop from U11 to U18. (Home & Home or as determined based on the number of entered teams).
- b. U9 MD will follow the Hockey Canada Pathways.
- c. Each centre will ensure that sufficient ice is available to complete their game schedule before the end dates specified.
- d. Each centre agrees to comply with the minimum ice time allocations for games as specified in Appendix 1.
- e. All games shall be scheduled at the September scheduling meeting. Game schedule changes can only be made by the Centre Contact.
- f. No games played between first and second entry teams will count in league standings.
- g. All teams will play meaningful games up to March 1st.
- h. U18 All Star Game will be held in January.

4. Playing Rules

- a. All games must be referred to by the number on the Master Schedule.
- b. The OMHA Regional Director for Region 5, Area N will deal with all Match Penalties.
- c. All rescheduled or cancelled games must be reported to YOUR league contact person and to the Convenor, and the master number must be referred to. NOTE: the number will not change for this game, the number stays the same.
- d. Teams that do not show up for league, league playoff and/or consolation round games without JUST CAUSE or give a minimum of 24 hours notice, will be billed for the cost ie: referees, mileage, timekeeper(s), ice. Maximum \$30.00 for gatekeeper and timekeeper costs combined and \$100.00 for ice time. For playoff games outside the league OMHA rules will apply as per current Manual of Operations. This will also include any games outside Victoria-Durham.
- e. If a game is cancelled due to extenuating circumstances the Centre Contacts will meet to determine rationale for cancellation and determine fines, etc.
- f. All scheduled league games and playoff round robin games must be played. Those centres that cancel a game without just cause, and refuse to reschedule, are subject to a \$200.00 fine imposed by VDMHL.
- g. Each centre must be a member in good standing at the end of regular season play to be eligible for playoffs.
- h. All tournament and exhibition games must be approved by the OMHA RD and entered in the OMHA portal. Teams who do not obtain approval may be suspended.

- i. U18 All Star Game will be mandatory for ALL centres hosting U18 teams to send representation. Penalty for failing to do so will be a) member not in good standing; b) \$50 fine.
- j. The cost of the U18 All-Star Game will be shared evenly by the Associations who host U18 teams in that season.

APPROVED BY:

Chair Stephen Phillips

Appendix 1: Ice Allocations

Minimum game lengths during regular season will be as follows:

U11: 10-10-10

U13 to U18: 10-15-15

Minimum playing times:

•	10-10-10	50 minutes
•	10-10-15	60 minutes
•	10-15-15	1 hr 15 minutes

Playing time does not include flood.