

BY-LAW ARTICLE XIX

Field Hockey

Girls

Sect. 1: Field Hockey shall be administered by the NHIAA Field Hockey Committee and the rules of the National Federation will govern the sport when applicable.

Sect. 2: In order to be considered for tournament play all schools must follow the minimum and maximum number of games as stated in By-Law Article XXXVIII.

Sect. 3: Divisional Alignment

Field Hockey shall be aligned into three (3) divisions based upon enrollments and petitions subject to the approval of the Classification Committee.

2021-22 Field Hockey Divisional Alignment

DIV. I (1151+)		DIV. II (601-1150)		DIV. III (1-600)	
17 Schools		19 Schools		18 Schools	
Pinkerton	3283	Portsmouth	1119	Stevens	555
Man. Central-West	2135	Goffstown	1071	Laconia	542
Nashua South	1901	Hollis/Brookline	857	Kearsarge	508
Nashua North	1735	Oyster River	839	Gilford	489
Exeter	1649	Milford	833	Monadnock	479
Concord	1530	Merrimack Valley	795	Winnisquam	448
Bedford	1505	Kingswood	794	St. Thomas	402
Dover	1474	Pembroke	763	Newfound	391
Londonderry	1458	Souhegan	751	Berlin	378
Man. Memorial	1430	Hanover	743	Conant	373
Keene	1382	Kennett	739	White Mountains	348
Merrimack	1226	Con-Val	718	Mascoma	345
Salem	1175	Sanborn	651	Hopkinton	320
*Timberlane	1100	Plymouth	644	Newport	316
*Winnacunnet	1087	Bow	638	Bishop Brady	304
*Windham	997	John Stark	618	Mascenic	293
*Bishop Guertin	793	Lebanon	606	Franklin	278
		Pelham	605	Littleton	217
		*Derryfield	269		

*Petition

Sect. 4: Playing Rules: National Federation Field Hockey Rules will apply. Tie breaking rules of the National Federation will be used in tournament play only; tie games will be permitted in regular season games.

Sect. 5: Tournament Selection

The maximum number of teams allowed per By-Law Article IV: Classification; Sect. 10; Tournament Selection Requirements will qualify for the tournament in each division. (CM 5.2016)

Sect. 6: Tournament Rosters

All tournament teams will be limited to a maximum of 25 players, two (2) managers, and two (2) coaches. This information is also for the tournament programs. Rosters shall be completed via the NHIAA website. If a team is going to make the tournament, a team photo in uniform (no warm-ups and no mascots allowed) must be submitted with a photo lineup. If no photo is received a logo will be supplemented.

Sect. 7: Tournament officials will be selected in accordance with By-Law Article I, Sect. 15.

Sect. 8: Protests of games must follow By-Law Article VII: Protest Procedure for All Sports.

Sect. 9: Selection of Tournament Sites

The preliminary and quarterfinal round games will be played at the site of the higher seeded team. The semifinal and championship games will be played at a site selected by the NHIAA Field Hockey Committee.

Sect. 10: Awards

Official NHIAA championship and runner-up plaques, in addition to 29 team medals, will be awarded to the respective champion and runner-up teams in each division.

Sect. 11: No field hockey player may play more than six (6) quarters per day. Entering play in a half constitutes a full half of play. (CM 1.2021)

Sect. 12: In order to be considered for post-season tournament play, each school must play at least fifty percent (50%) of its games with New Hampshire schools.

Sect. 13: Sub-varsity games will be 12 ½ minute quarters unless a shorter time is agreed upon by both schools involved. See Policy and Procedures Manual for further clarification. (CM 1.2021)

Sect. 14: Sportsmanship

The National Federation Field Hockey Committee has established the following procedures for dealing with unruly spectators:

- A. First Offense: Official suspends game on the first dead ball situation and requests appropriate coach or site management to resolve the situation. Once the coach or site management has been made aware of the situation, play shall resume.
- B. Second Offense: Official suspends game on the first dead ball situation and requests the appropriate coach or site management to remove the offending spectator (s) from the venue. Play shall resume upon removal of offending spectator.
- C. Third Offense: The team of the offending spectator(s) shall forfeit the game.

Sect. 15: Overtime Procedures for Regular Season Play

The overtime procedures are located in the Field Hockey Policies and Procedures Manual.