

BY-LAW ARTICLE XXIII

Ice Hockey Boys and Girls

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

Sect. 2: The NHIAA Ice Hockey Committee shall be responsible for conducting the Annual State Ice Hockey Tournament. The Committee will arrange for the tournament to be played at times and sites to be determined.

Sect. 3: All games in NH, regular season and tournament, will be played according to the National Federation Ice Hockey Rules as they apply to high school games.

Sect. 4: All schedules are due in the NHIAA office no later than September 15th. The Ice Hockey Committee shall meet to approve schedules of the teams for tournament consideration.

Sect. 5: All tournaments, jamborees, and similar competition must be sanctioned by the Ice Hockey Committee through the Executive Director. These sanctioned contests shall not count on the regular season's record for tournament consideration. No school may enter more than one approved Christmas tournament.

Sect. 6: All schedules for tournament consideration shall be guided by the following:

- A. In order to qualify for tournament consideration, each team must play a minimum of 12 games against NH schools within their own Division. Deviations shall only occur with the approval of the Ice Hockey Committee.
- B. Games can neither be added nor deleted from the schedules after they have been approved by the NHIAA.
- C. Scrimmages against other schools shall not be permitted during the first three (3) days of practice and after the first scheduled game. This regulation also applies to sub-varsity teams.

Sect. 7: Divisional Alignment

Boys Ice Hockey schools shall be aligned into three (3) divisions based upon enrollments and petitions subject to the approval of the Classification Committee. Girls Ice Hockey schools shall be aligned as one (1) division.

2021-22 Ice Hockey Boys Divisional Alignment

DIV. I (2000 +)		DIV. II (1301-1999)		DIV. III (1-1300)	
16 Schools		11 Schools		12 Schools	
<u>Man. Central-West-Mem.</u>	<u>3565</u>	Alvirne-Milford	1948	<u>*John Stark-Hopkinton-Hillsboro</u>	<u>1305</u>
Pinkerton	3283	Dover	1474	Laconia-Winnisquam-Interlakes	1295
Nashua South-Pelham	2506	Portsmouth-Newmarket	1399	Lebanon-Stevens-Mt Royal	1208
Nashua North-Souhegan	2486	Spaulding	1308	Pembroke-Campbell	1202
*Exeter	1649	*Merrimack	1226	Kearsarge-Plymouth	1152
*Concord	1530	*Somersworth-CoeBrown	1124	Hollis/Brookline-Derryfield	1126
*Bedford	1505	*Winnacunnet	1087	Con-Val-Conant	1091
*Londonderry	1458	*Goffstown	1071	Monadnock-Fall Mountain	944
*Keene	1382	*Oyster River	839	Belmont-Gilford	847
*Salem	1175	*Kingswood	794	Kennett	739
*Windham	997	*St. Thomas	402	Sanborn-Epping	902
*Bishop Guertin	793			Berlin-Gorham	516
*Hanover	743				
*Bow	638				
*Trinity	324				
*Bishop Brady	304				
*Petition					

2021-22 Girls Ice Hockey Divisional Alignment

16 Schools

Pinkerton	3283	Bedford	1505
St. Thomas-Winnacunnet-Dover	2963	Bishop Brady-Trinity-West	1432
Man. Central-Memorial	2761	Berlin-Gorham-Kennett	1255
Keene-Monadnock-Fall Mountain	2336	Con-Val-Conant	1091
Oyster River-Portsmouth	1958	Kingswood	794
Lebanon-Stevens-Kearsarge	1669	Bishop Guertin	793
Exeter	1649	Souhegan	751
Concord	1530	Hanover	743

Sect. 8: Team Selection and Format for the State Tournament (CM 6.2016):

- A. The maximum number of teams allowed per By-Law Article IV: Classification; Sect. 10; Tournament Selection Requirements will qualify for the boys and girls tournament in each division.
- B. Tournament team selection will be determined in accordance with the present divisional alignment.
- C. Tournament games will consist of three (3) 15-minute periods. Each game will be played straight through. In the event of a tie the following tournament overtime rule shall apply: For all tournament games there shall be 15 minute "Sudden Victory" overtime period(s). New ice will be made and teams will change ends for every overtime period. This procedure will continue until a winner is determined.
- D. Mercy Rule: In the last period of any NHIAA game, regular season or tournament play, if a team is leading by six (6) or more goals, the clock will continue to run. If the lead is down to only four (4) goals, normal timing procedures will be instituted. The only time the clock will stop is to replace a goalie, when the goalie change rules apply, or to attend to an injured player.

Sect. 9: Awards

Official NHIAA championship and runner-up plaques, in addition to 24 team medals, will be awarded to the respective champion and runner-up teams in each division.

Sect. 10: Tournament Rosters

A TOTAL of 25 individuals to include 20 players (two goalies recommended), four (4) non-player personnel, and one (1) designated medical personnel shall be permitted to occupy the bench area. For those teams that do not have 20 players in uniform or a designated medical person, additional personnel may NOT be substituted. 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.