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PREAMBLE

The Hockey Wanganui Association supports the New Zealand Hockey Federation and Sport NZ in eliminating verbal and physical abuse of umpires by players, team management and supporters.

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All enquires to HWI are to be directed through the respective club secretary /club contact. Any formal requests are to be submitted in writing to the HWI Operations Manager.

Entries to the competition is open to all Affiliated members of HWI

GENERAL

1.0 The HWI turf is a smoke free area.

No smoking within the perimeter fence is permitted.

1.1 Vehicle parking is at the owners risk and HWI accepts no liability for any damage or loss that may occur.

1.2 No rubbish is to be left in the dugouts

1.3 Please keep changing rooms tidy

1.4 Hockey balls do on occasion travel beyond the turf and perimeter fences and pose a significant risk. Keep your eye on the ball.

1.5 While every effort is made to ensure player and spectator safety, individuals must take due care to ensure their own safety and that of others.

PLAYER REGISTRATION

There is no "Guest Player" capability for competitions in 2014

2.0 All teams that participate in the Hockey Wanganui Local Competition or in the Wanganui / Manawatu competitions must complete team registration via IMG system.

This includes all Men's, Women's, Secondary Teams.

2.1 Team registration through IMG system is to be received by the office of HWI by the 2nd playing game round, unless the HWI Fixtures Committee specifies another date. If not adhere to, this may result in the teams competition game being recorded as a default.

2.2 Additional players may be added, but must be in writing and received by the Operations Manager prior to that player participating in a game. Teams may register new players up to 4 playing games prior to semi finals.

2.3 All school students are required to be registered for a school team. Allowances are made in situations where the school are unable to field a team due to numbers or if a school accepts that they are not requires.

2.4 All entries to a competition is only open to HWI affiliated players, no exceptions unless by mutual agreement.

2.5 Playing of non-registered players will be deemed a default by the offending team. The non-offending team will be awarded these points. With a 4-0 loss score line.

2.6 No team shall play any player under suspension by the judicial committee.

2.7 If a player is transferring from another affiliated club or another Association in New Zealand, then it is also necessary to submit to HWI a completed Transfer Form prior to the new player participating in any fixtures

2.8 No player shall be registered for more than one club or school and no player shall play for a team other than the one they are registered for, except in the following situations;

- a) The 'A' team in each club/school is to name a minimum of 12 players that are unable to play down a grade or for another team in the same grade.
- b) 'B' and subsequent teams can name 3 players called 'floaters' that can play for their club/school in a higher or same grade.
- c) Any other player that plays up a grade more than 3 times must stay in the higher grade
- d) No players can play in a lower grade than registered for unless the team they are filling in for defaults first or unless agreed upon by opposition.
- e) Players can not fill in for another club/school unless the game has been defaulted or unless agreed upon by opposition.

Exceptions

2.9 Player wanting dispensation must put the request in writing stating reasons for consideration. This must be emailed to the Operations Manager which will then proceed to put the request forward to the fixtures committee for an outcome. Players will be notified of result. Any unapproved application will be treated as an unregistered player.

2.10 Registered players in the Secondary Schools competition are eligible to be registered in another Affiliated Club.

2.11 A school player may play in the school competition in one Association and club competition in another Association. Consequently the player is then registered with the Association to which his/her club team is affiliated.

2.12 Players registered in a DIV 2 team can apply to play in a DIV 1 team.

Representative Player Eligibility:

2.13 Any player playing for a representative team must be registered with a club/school team within the region and must make themselves available for the Wanganui first before being eligible to play rep. hockey outside of the region.

2.14 All players who **PLAY** their club or school hockey in the Wanganui and Wanganui / Manawatu competitions and are affiliated to HWI and who wish to play at a representative level **MUST** trial for Wanganui Representative Teams. If they are not selected for the Wanganui they are then able to trial for another province, provided that NZ Hockey Federation tournament rules allow guest players at their respective age group level.

COMPETITIONS

3.1 All matches shall be under the control of HWI.

All matches are controlled from rules of the following:

ÿ FIH Rules.

ÿ New Zealand Umpires Handbook.

ÿ Wanganui Association Rules.

Association's code of conduct which is aligned with HNZ

3.2 Local Competitions format to be decided by Fixtures committee prior to the start of each season.

3.3 Game Points:

Win = 3 points

Draw =1 point

Defaulted Game; winner to receive 3 points and 4-0 result.

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TEAM CARDS

4.0 Team cards to be filled in prior to game commencement and may not be added to during the game. Only players entered on team card may participate in that game.

4.1 There is to be no more than sixteen players entered on the team card.

4.2 Full players names must be on card, if not complied this may result in loss of points.

4.3 Completed team cards are to be returned to main office (purple door) or may be left in box provided at Collegiate turf within 2 days of completion of a game.

4.4 Team cards not received by the Operations Manager will incur loss of any points received from that game.

4.5 Umpires are to ensure that all results are accurately recorded on each team card. Add any ACC incidents or card penalties and must sign the card at end of play.

DEFAULTS, POSTPONEMENTS, CANCELLATIONS & PROTESTS

5.0 Teams requiring a game change (date, venue, time) may apply in writing to the Operations Manager, any application must be received 7 days prior to fixture concerned.

5.1 Any team or club that is unable to full fill any engagement in competition matches shall notify the Operations Manager at least twenty four hours before the game,

failure to do so will result in all turf fees payable for that match being the responsibility of that team or club.

5.2 Any team may apply in writing to the Operations Manager for a game deferral if, 3 or more players are involved with coaching, playing or administrative duties of HWI or on a school exchange. Applications must be received 4 weeks before the game is scheduled to be played.

5.3 Any protests must be in writing and lodged with the Operations Manager within Twenty four hours of the completion of the match from which the protest arose.

TEAM UNIFORMS

6.0 Players other than goalie to be dressed uniformly in registered colours. Goalie is to wear a different colour shirt.

6.1 Team or teams having similar colours may be required by HWI to provide an alternative strip.

JUDICIAL COMMITTEE

7.0 The Judicial committee shall be a subcommittee of the HW Fixtures Committee convened as required.

7.1 The judicial committee shall have the power to act without formal protest being lodged, should it consider such action to be justified in the best interest of the game.

7.2 Any player receiving 12 points in 12 months will result in a judicial hearing or a one match. Further action may be taken at the discretion of the judicial committee Following the suspension 6 points will remain credited on the record of the participant for a duration of 12 months.

7.3. Any player having received a permanent suspension (red card) or a fourth yellow card in the same season will appear before the Judicial Committee.

7.4 The Judicial Committee must sit within five days following a reported incident.

7.5 Any player with a judicial hearing pending cannot play in any hockey match until after he/she has appeared before the judicial committee and an outcome has been determined.

7.6 Any umpire showing a red card to a player must inform the executive officer within twenty four hours of the offence and provide a written report within 48 hours. The executive officer will then convene the judicial committee.

7.7 Umpires written reports will be reviewed by the judicial committee prior to the hearing. The committee will then request meetings with the players concerned and the umpires if deemed necessary.

7.8 Any player appearing before the judicial committee may take a support person with them.

7.9 Any Judicial Committee decision must be notified to management committee within twenty four hours of the hearing. HW will then notify player's club and the club will then notify player concerned.

7.10 The Judicial has the right to impose whatever penalty it sees fit and this decision must be minuted at the next Board Meeting.

FEES

9.0 Turf fees will be payable in full, by date set by HWI.

9.1 Clubs having unpaid fees will not be allowed to participate in any competition until the debt is cleared or arrangements made for payment of outstanding fees.

9.2 . Players that are unfinancial will be ineligible for selection in representative

teams. (It will be up to the clubs to inform HWI of members that are not financial)

TURF

8.0 All players must wear regulation footwear that must be free from dirt before entering the turf.

8.1 No food, drink (except water), or spitting on the turf.

8.2 No persons other than playing teams, and umpires are allowed on the turf whilst the game is in progress.

8.3 Only players, coaches and team management may be in the dugout during a game.

8.4 All players shall enter and exit the turf via the player's entrance at the dugouts.

8.5 Teams to vacate turf / dugout area immediately following their game in order to allow the next game to proceed.

8.6 Any player showing blood must immediately leave the turf in order to cover the wound.

8.7 Any person found will fully damaging the turf or associated equipment will be liable for all cost relating to repair of the damage in addition to any other penalty the HWI may impose.

8.8 Sharp objects to be removed or taped e.g. rings, bracelets, goalies buckles.