## **8U GAME SET UP & MANAGEMENT**

Pre-Game setup is the responsibility of the rink staff and coaches. This involves proper placement of borders

**RED** 1/2 ice game, borders down center red line: Play 4-on-4 with a

goalie.

**WHITE** 1/2 ice game, borders down center red line: Play 4-on-4 with

a goalie.

**BLUE** cross-ice game, borders on blue line: Play 3-on-3 with rotating

players as goalie.

**Referees** are involved in Red and White games only, none in Blue.

If 2 games on the rink at the same time, there will be 1 referee on each side. If 2 different levels play each other the format for the game is the "higher level" Ex. Red vs White, follow Red format-White vs Blue follow White format.

### **Coaches and Scorekeeping as follows:**

**Red** No on ice Coaches, Scorekeeping up to 6 goal differential,

none thereafter

**White** No on-ice Coaches, no scorekeeping

**Blue** On ice Coaches permitted, no scorekeeping

#### Clock time:

Red 3-14 min. periods/ Face off at start of each period White 3-14 min. periods/Face off at start of each period Plue 2-20 min. halves/1 min. rest between halves

Horn shall be sounded every 2 minutes and clock stops until started by

Referee whistle in Red and White levels.

#### **Red and White levels:**

Referee raises arm at the horn, holds for 10 second player change, then Lowers arm and blows whistle to start play and clock Referee picks up puck and throws to corner when blowing whistle

<u>Penalties:</u> Referee shall monitor game for obvious penalties such as tripping/hooking, pushing/roughing or any illegal stick work

<u>Player penalty:</u> involves removal of the player to the player bench for the remainder of the 2 minute set/shift with no player substitution for that team. Referee to escort the player to the bench with attention paid to not disturb the action of the game

**Goalies saves/goals:** Referee to blow whistle if puck covered by goalie or Goal is scored. Instruct goalie to throw the puck to the side and Continue play until horn sounds and shift ends. Referee should assist Taking the puck out of the net and throw the puck to the side/end to continue play.

Handshake shall take place at the end of the game

**Note:** For consistency, compliance of the above format and procedures are strongly encouraged. Referees and coaches should apply good judgment in certain situations to allow for the best developmental experience, while keeping the game fun and under control

# HALFICE GAME SET-UP





