

## **Highland Park Giants Hockey Association Injury Policy**

If a rostered player for the Highland Park Giants Hockey Association is unable to participate in hockey games or practices for eight or more consecutive weeks due to an injury or illness, the player may be eligible for a monetary credit covering fees for the missed period of time, subject to the review and approval of the Board of Directors of the Highland Park Giants Hockey Association. The injury or illness is not required to have occurred on the ice or due to hockey-related activities.

## Requirements

When a player has been injured or is ill and expects to miss any practices or games, it is the responsibility of the player and/or parents to immediately inform their team manager and coach. If it is expected that the injury or illness will require the player to miss eight or more consecutive weeks of practices or games, the team manager must also inform the Head of the Coaches Committee and Treasurer of the Highland Park Giants Hockey Association.

In the event the player is unable to participate in hockey games or practices for eight or more consecutive weeks due to injury or illness, the parents can request a prorated monetary credit for the fees covering the time period during which the player could not participate.

The following criteria will be used when evaluating a request for credit due to a player injury or illness:

- The injury or illness must cause the player to miss at least eight consecutive weeks of hockey practices and/or games
- The injury or illness must be verified by a doctor's note validating the injury or illness and also stating the specific date that the player is authorized to return to play in practices and games
- The player's circumstances will be reviewed upon their return to their respective team, except in situations where a player will be absent for the remainder of the season

## **Request for Credit**

If all of the above criteria are satisfied, the player's parents can request a monetary credit for hockey fees covering the duration of the injury or illness by submitting in writing a request for credit to the Board of Directors of the Highland Park Giants Hockey Association. This request should be made after the player returns to play in practices and games.

Each request will be reviewed by the Highland Park Giants Hockey Association Board of Directors to determine if an injury credit should be given. The Board of Directors' decision is final and cannot be appealed.

The fees eligible to be refunded will be calculated based on the number of weeks in the hockey season and percentage of weeks missed due to the injury or illness. Credit will be given only for each complete week of time that is missed due to the injury or illness. Any time missed time that is less than a full week in duration is ineligible for a refund.

No refunds will be given for any injuries occurring during the spring hockey season.

## **Reservation of Rights**

The Board of Directors of the Highland Park Giants Hockey Association reserves the right to, and may, in its sole discretion, amend, modify, discontinue, repeal or terminate all or any portion of this Injury Policy at any time.

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