

WCMHA INITIATION ½ ICE PROGRAM

Following HC & HA Initiation ½ Program Guidelines

1. All players 6 years and younger will be classed as Initiation.
2. Play will be on ½ ice.
3. Ice will be divided in half by pylons, small board, or rink dividers.
4. Blue 4-ounce pucks will be used.
5. No off sides or icings will be called.
6. Coaches (one per team) may be on ice.
7. Referees will be used (one per game) to train young referees. Referees will talk to the coach after the 1st offence and award a 3-minute penalty after the 2nd offence.
8. Only a goal stick will be used, no other goal equipment.
9. A three-goal limit per player will be in effect.
10. A scorekeeper will track when one player has scored three goals and complete the scoresheet.
11. There will be a line change every 3 minutes.
12. A timekeeper will sound a buzzer every 3 minutes.
13. Teams will be 4 players and a goalie per team.
14. Full-sized or ¾ sized nets will be used, not Pond Hockey nets.
15. There will be three 21-minute periods, unless time is limited.
16. There will be a face-off at beginning of the game and after every goal. The referee will drop the puck. After a goalie covers the puck, a coach will throw the puck into a corner. After a 3-minute shift, the referee will retrieve and throw the puck into a neutral corner after both teams have completed the line change.
17. Teams will be determined at beginning of season and turned in to WCMHA.
18. WCMHA will supply a league governor. Change of Game Notices and gamesheets must be submitted to the governor.