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MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

HELMET CERTIFICATION STICKERS

There is some confusion surrounding the life of helmets as some have the HECC (date of expiry) sticker on them.

This time limit is related only to the length of certification (originally 5 years but changes recently to 6.5 years) granted by HECC for a given helmet, and is not an indication of the lifespan of a helmet. HECC certified hockey helmets are mandated for players playing under the jurisdiction of USA Hockey and does not apply in Canada.

The only certification sticker that should be verified for play is the presence of the CSA Certification label on the helmet.

The CSA certification label provides assurances that a helmet performs in accordance with CSA Standard Z262.1. For a helmet to function effectively, it must be in very good working order and worn properly in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.