

## Shot Clock 101

DO reset the shot clock if:

- 1) A player from the opposite team stabs the ring, or bats it, or kicks it.
- 2) The ref signals a reset.
- 3) The ref signals a delayed penalty.
- 4) The ring contacts the goalie in the crease.
- 5) The ring contacts the goalie outside the crease and would have gone in the net if it hadn't hit the goalie.
- 6) The ring hits the post or crossbar.

DO NOT reset the clock:

- 1) Unless you see one of the things in the list above.
- 2) If you think one of the things in the list above is about to happen. Wait for it!
- 3) If the shot was in the general direction of the net, but did not hit the net or the goalie.
- 4) If the ring merely deflects off a player's skate, stick, or leg. They have to direct it for it to be a reset (unless we are talking about the goalie).
- 5) When the whistle blows. If the rep stops the play, stop the clock. But do not reset it until you see that the stoppage has resulted in a change of possession. If the same team has it after the whistle as before the whistle it is not a reset. If in doubt, don't reset it. The ref will tell you to reset if it is appropriate before she restarts the play.

If a reset occurs when there are fewer than 30 seconds left in the period, reset the clock and then stop it with 30 on the display.

The shot clock operator should be in a penalty box or the timekeeper's box and should be able to see the play anywhere on the ice. The shot clock operator should sign the game sheet and should refrain (as much as possible) from cheering for one side (since the shot clock operator is a minor official, and should be impartial).