



## EFHL U9 Full Ice Rules and Regulations

1. Teams will play two twenty-six-minute periods with automatic buzzers to signal line changes every two minutes. Alternative twenty-seven-minute periods with ninety second shifts as players become more accustomed to rules.
2. No score is to be kept during the game.
3. Teams will play with five skaters and one goaltender.
4. Small nets 3' x 4' are preferred and will be used with blue pucks. Black pucks can be used if both coaches agree, or blue pucks are not available.
5. A face-off at centre ice will begin each period. Officials are encouraged to drop the puck as soon as players are near their position.
6. At the end of each shift, a face off will start the next shift at the face-off dot closest to where the previous shift completed.
7. Offsides and Icing will be called, and faceoffs will result following the whistle at the appropriate face-off dot.
8. Frozen puck by goaltender will result in faceoff at appropriate face off dot in defending team's end.
9. Following a goal, face off will take place at centre ice.
10. One coach from each team is strongly encouraged to be on the ice with skate and helmet to assist players in lining up for faceoffs until they are comfortable and to ensure game proceeds efficiently. This is at team discretion. Once puck is dropped, coaches will refrain from impacting play. Only one coach per team is permitted.
11. Penalties will be called, and player will be removed from the ice. No substitution permitted. Penalized player will be removed from ice and face off will result at nearest faceoff dot. Penalties are called when penalized team gains possession of puck, the clock will not stop.
12. No backup goalies permitted.
13. Teams will remain in the same end for the entire game.
14. Three officials will be assigned to each game and will receive \$20 per official. If only two officials are available for the game, each official will receive \$20.

Any questions please do not hesitate to reach out to the EFHL U9 Directors or EFHL Commissioner

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