



Referee Information Bulletin #02/23 – Dated 01 April 23

Mens Division

- Run time will now be a five (5) goal difference vice (4) four goal commencing to be in effect in the second period.
- Periods will be 2 x 17 minutes.
- 3 Min Warm Up with 1 Min between periods
- 8 Regular season games per team plus playoffs.
- Currently there are 19 teams with the real possibility of up to 30 teams.
- There will be 4 Divisions (Div. 1 - A to D, Div. 4, Div. 5 & Div. 6).
- 1 - 60 second time out per team per game
- Run Time Penalties shall be of the following deration (2 Min Minor = 3 Min, 4 Min = 5 Min, 5 Min Maj = 7 Min).

Women's Division

- Run time will now be a five (5) goal difference vice (4) four goal commencing to be in effect in the second period.
- Periods will be 2 x 17 minutes.
- 3 Min Warm Up with 1 Min between periods
- Possible may have up to 10 teams and the possibility for 2 divisions.
- 1 - 60 second time out per team per game
- Run Time Penalties shall be of the following deration (2 Min Minor = 3 Min, 4 Min = 5 Min, 5 Min Maj = 7 Min).

Premier League

- 3 teams only of the highest calibre players in the area.
- 1 x Head Coach/2 x Assistant Coaches or 2 x Co-Head Coach & 1 x Assistant.
- 18 players per team + 2 goaltenders for a total of 20.
- 6 Regular season games per team plus playoffs.
- 3 games played per day with two teams playing 2 games and the other only 1.
- O Canada will be played/sung at the start of every game.
- Periods are 3 x 15 min each.
- 1st Intermission is 5 min.
- 2nd Intermission is 10 min.
- 2 – 1 min time outs per game/per team are permitted, but a team can not use both their time outs in one period. Note: Both teams can call a time out at the same time, which means there will be a total of 2 min granted.

- Referees will be paid at \$60/game.
- Dress code for officials is at a minimum a collared shirt with dress pants (Business Professional)
- You are not to show up for the games already dressed in your officials gear, you will be professionally dressed upon arriving and departing the arena.
- You will be at the area a minimum of 20-30 min before your scheduled game.
- All officials officiating in the Premier League shall/will wear the VIBHL Referee Jersey/Referee Shorts. Shall/will wear a Black CSA approved helmet.
- Only the officials who are on the Premier League List shall officiate that league, unless previously approved by the RIC (Everett) or the Ops & Trg Referee (Lamont).

Suspension - Fine

- The VIBHL Executive has decided and announced to all teams that there will be a Suspension Fine (amount yet to be decided but discussed in the ball park of \$50.00) to any player/team official who receives a suspension based on their behaviour on top of any games suspensions.
- With this in mind, it is so imperative that we be the most professional/transparent we can be in such cases when we “pull the trigger” and proceed with handing out such penalties which may warrant a suspension. I am not saying to call/not call them, rather than continue to hold those responsible for their actions as it was them who created the situation. I am saying make sure you have all the evidence/circumstances to back up your calls.

General Info

- Season is to start sometime during the first week of April.
- 2023 Spring/Summer League will end no later than 01 July (looks like 27 June).
- We shall be operating out of four locations this summer (**ER** - Eagle Ridge, **NA** – Naden, **PG** – Pearkes/Green, and **AB** - Archie Browning).
- No long weekend games as per our practice over the past few seasons.

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