

OMHA REP & W.O.A.A. CHAMPIONSHIP MINOR HOCKEY PLAY-OFF RULES

Unless noted differently on the drawsheets the following rules shall apply for all Minor Hockey play-offs in the W.O.A.A. for the 2019-20 season. The W.O.A.A. Minor Hockey Committee have set up the W.O.A.A. drawsheets within the W.O.A.A. and these are attached. The name of your Convenor can be found on the drawsheets.

GETTING READY TO BEGIN PLAY-OFFS

Prior to starting play-offs, please ensure you have all paperwork in order. This includes Approved Team Roster sheets including Affiliated Players, etc. This paperwork must accompany teams at all times during play-offs.

SETTING UP THE SERIES

1. All series to be 4 point or 6 point (if time permits) series except finals to be 6 point series minimum (unless specified otherwise on drawsheet, ie: Round Robin). In all series, a flip of coin (before start of first game) will decide site of the third game of the series except Round Robin. A Virtual Flip method may be used and can be found on www.theondb.com/flip All teams are encouraged to put four (4) games (4 point series), six games (6 point series) on their signed W.O.A.A. play-off agreement.
2. Teams with first ice and with at least 24 hours notice to the other club will host the first game. We realize school exams can be a factor but school exams will not be considered a valid reason for failing to schedule play-off games. In case of disputes the W.O.A.A. Convenor must be notified immediately. If teams cannot set up the series the Convenor will make the final arrangements. Failure to notify the Convenor may result in both teams being disqualified from further play. The date on the drawsheet is the date the series must be completed by. Only under extenuating circumstances will an extension be considered by the W.O.A.A. Convenor and must be approved by the Minor Hockey Chair.
3. **Play-off agreements must be completed prior to the first game and signed by both teams. One copy to be faxed or emailed to the W.O.A.A. Office (519) 357-4341 or woaa@hurontel.on.ca, one copy to the appropriate Division Convenor, one copy to the Minor Hockey Chairman Dave Garinger dave.garinger@omha.net and one copy to be retained by each team.** Use W.O.A.A. Play-off Agreements for W.O.A.A. play-offs and OMHA Agreements to be used once teams advance into OMHA playdowns. Do not sign if you do not agree with the arrangements. If you encounter a problem completing the agreement, contact your Convenor or Minor Hockey Chair. An extra game can be added but is not compulsory but must be in accordance with the stated deadline dates.
4. **OVERTIME:** See OMHA Manual Regulation 9.0.
Any odd game series shall be decided on a points system, two points for a win, one point for a tie. Where the score is tied at the end of regulation time in any game in

such a series, there shall be a rest period after which the teams will not change ends and will play one ten minute sudden victory overtime period.

Not more than one overtime period will be played unless ordered by the W.O.A.A. Minor Hockey Chair. If further overtime is ordered, there shall be a rest period prior to each extra overtime period. The teams will change ends before playing each extra overtime period. All overtime periods shall be sudden victory, stop time, and shall be 10 minutes in length.

5. LENGTH OF PERIODS: See OMHA Manual Regulation 10.2 and Regulation 13.3 d)(in the case of quarter finals and beyond).

Curfews will not be in effect during all play-off games. Govern yourself accordingly when distributing ice time. Make sure you have lots of time available. See OMHA Rules on Game Regulations. Any game that is curfewed will result in game being forfeited and two (2) points to visiting team. Remember only the Convenors or Minor Hockey Chair can stop a game unless safety is a concern and then referees can do so by firstly contacting the Convenor for W.O.A.A. play-offs or the Minor Hockey Chair for OMHA playdowns.

6. Teams entered in tournaments during W.O.A.A. play-offs should withdraw from the tournament if they are going to interfere with your play-off schedule.

7. Any team failing to fulfill their play-off commitments will be suspended from further competition for the remainder of the season (including tournaments) and may face disciplinary action.

8. In all games, one 30 second time out per team, per game is permitted.

REPORTING RESULTS

1. All W.O.A.A. play-off game results MUST be reported by the HOME team at games end on TheOneDB Website; which is now connected with the new, revised W.O.A.A. Website www.woaa.on.ca and Gamesheet Inc. If there are missing scores you need to report, please email them to Rick Vivian rvivian@ezlink.ca (Rick will be monitoring playdown score reporting on TheOneDB site). Teams failing to report scores on TheOneDB could result in loss of game or series.

2. The Home team to notify W.O.A.A. Office and the age division Convenor (as listed on the drawsheets) at least 48 hours in advance of possible final games of the final series so that arrangements can be made for trophy presentations.

3. No W.O.A.A. category trophy will be made available until all teams in that category have had the opportunity to compete for it. All details of the competition will be at the discretion of the Convenor.

4. BILLING: Upon completion of the play-offs, the W.O.A.A. will bill each centre for play-off dues.

GAME OFFICIALS

1. (a) The Home team shall supply qualified (including proper age) game officials, as per OMHA Regulation 18.0, for all play-offs. In all cases of non compliance, the game in violation must be protested by the non-offending centre.

(b) No members of the immediate families may officiate any game in play-offs in which a family member is participating. This includes linesmen in a three man system. Immediate family includes -mother, father, brother, sister, son, daughter, aunts and uncles.

(c) The Home team shall supply neutral game officials for the deciding game in all series. The DECIDING GAME is when the series is tied in points and either team could be eliminated from further play. Neutral game officials are defined as a game official from outside the boundaries of the centre involved and not having been a regular game official in that centre.

PENALTY (a-c above) ILLEGAL GAME OFFICIAL - Anyone using illegal game officials will forfeit any points earned and the game will be replayed in the non-offending team's arena if required.

2. It is strongly recommended to use a three man system in all Bantam Rep. play-offs. In Midget Rep. and Juvenile, it is mandatory that a three man system be used in all series. The W.O.A.A. Minor Hockey Committee have also approved the use of the four-man official system at the Midget Rep. Division. However, this is in no way mandatory and its non use is not protestable.

3. In some series, as determined by the Minor Hockey Chair, game officials will be assigned by the W.O.A.A. Office. In this case the W.O.A.A. must be kept informed of dates and times of games.

4. Centres requesting game officials for any series must make arrangements through the W.O.A.A. Office. These game officials will be assigned by the W.O.A.A. Minor Hockey Chair, at his discretion. When an individual club or local association requests "Game Officials" be assigned by the W.O.A.A., that club or local association shall be responsible for the full payment (fees and mileage) of the assigned officials. To cover the administrative costs involved, the requesting club or local association shall be assessed a fee in the amount of \$35.00 per request. The fee shall be added to the play-off billing.

5. Teams are encouraged to continue to use electronic gamesheets – Gamesheet Inc. for all play-off games. Ensure at game's end that the electronic gamesheet has been submitted via the cloud on the iPad. However, if using paper gamesheets all paper gamesheets are to be sent to the W.O.A.A. Office, P.O. Box 110, WINGHAM, Ontario. N0G 2W0, immediately following the game. It is the responsibility of the game officials to phone Match Penalties and other problems to the W.O.A.A. Minor Hockey Chairman Dave Garinger (519) 378-8166 (Cell) immediately following the game and follow-up paperwork to be forwarded into the W.O.A.A. Office.

6. Play-off rates for game officials are per OMHA Rulebook Regulation 18.5, 18.6. These rates must be adhered to or suspensions will result.

TEAMS PLAYING IN OMHA PLAYDOWNS OUTSIDE THE W.O.A.A.

1. In Atom to Juvenile (including Additional Entry) teams shall advance to the next round of OMHA Playdowns as indicated on the play-off drawsheets. The W.O.A.A. will then assign all game officials for OMHA games played in the W.O.A.A. region. **The Centre Contact MUST keep the W.O.A.A. Minor Hockey Chairman and W.O.A.A. Office updated of game results, immediately after each game and also provide the schedule of all future games in each series. At least 60 hours notice is required to ensure that the game officials are assigned.** The W.O.A.A. Minor Hockey Chair will look after teams when they start playing out-of-area teams. He will assist teams in setting up their series if problems exist.

W.O.A.A. CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. The W.O.A.A. Championship (formally know as Group Play-offs) format will be utilized again for the 2019-20 season. There will be a separate Convenor for each age division as listed below. Please notify the W.O.A.A. Office when your team has been eliminated from the W.O.A.A./OMHA Rep. play-offs. Please notify your Convenor of any championship games when a possible trophy/medallions presentation may be required. Convenors for the W.O.A.A. Championship play-offs are as follows:

All Novice teams:	Dave Garinger	(519) 378-8166 (C)
All Atom teams:	Kaye Holmes	(519) 934-3188 (H)
All Pee Wee teams:	Dale Burnett	(519) 577-1090 (C)
All Bantam teams:	Paul Sebastian	(519) 530-9628 (C)
All Midget teams:	Paul Sebastian	(519) 530-9628 (C)
All Juvenile teams:	Lisa Campbell	(519) 525-2185 (C)

SUSPENSIONS

1. For all W.O.A.A. and OMHA play-offs adhere strictly to the OMHA Suspension Scale found on pages 231 to 245 of the OMHA Manual of Operations. Responsibility to ensure suspensions are appropriately served rests with team officials. Please review REGULATION 8.0 – 8.3 OMHA Manual Of Operations, pages 133 to 139.

2. Any Match Penalty after March 1, 2020, will result in the suspension being served with games only with no days attached. Any games not served at the end of this season, are to be served at the beginning of the 2020-2021 season with the days option coming back into effect, at that time.

PROTESTS

1. Contact your Centre Contact Person for instruction on how to file a proper Protest. All Protests of W.O.A.A. play-off games must be forwarded into the W.O.A.A. Office, Wingham, Ontario, in accordance with W.O.A.A. By-Law No. 3. Do not deliver to your Convenor or Minor Hockey Chair.
2. The Protest Committee's decision is final.
3. Any Protests of OMHA games (involving teams outside the W.O.A.A. area), please contact the W.O.A.A. Minor Hockey Chair.

2019-20 PLAY-OFF CONVENORS

The Play-off Convenors for each series are as indicated on the drawsheets.

Mr. Dale Burnett, 8421 Conc. 6, R.R. #3, MOOREFIELD, Ontario. N0G 2K0 burnettdale66@gmail.com	Area Code (519) 577-1090 (C)
Mr. Paul Sebastian, 759 Sports Drive, BRUSSELS, Ontario. N0G 1H0 paulseball@gmail.com	530-9628 (C)
Mrs. Kaye Holmes, R.R. #4, TARA, Ontario N0H 2N0 jkholmes@gbtel.ca	934-3188 (H)
Mr. Dave Garinger, 825 9 th Street West, Apt. 107, OWEN SOUND, Ontario. N4K 6A9 dave.garinger@omha.net	378-8166 (C)
Ms. Lisa Campbell, 11 Victoria Street, P.O. Box 1221, SEAFORTH, Ontario. N0K 1W0 d_lcampbell@ezlink.ca	525-2185 (C)

W.O.A.A. MINOR HOCKEY CHAIR

Mr. Dave Garinger, 825 9 th Street West, Apt 107, OWEN SOUND, Ontario. N4K 6A9 dave.garinger@omha.net	378-8166 (C)
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W.O.A.A. PRESIDENT

Mr. Allan Dickson, 135 Frances Street, WINGHAM, Ontario N0G 2W0 jallandickson@hotmail.com	357-2224 (H) 357-8571 (C) 357-4991 (FAX)
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W.O.A.A. OFFICE

49 Alfred Street West, P.O. Box 110, WINGHAM, Ontario. N0G 2W0 (Executive Administrator Linda Espensen)	357-3512 (B) Ext. 1 357-4341 (FAX)
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