



January 26, 2013 updated 7/14/13

AT THE JULY, 2013 MAHA SUMMER MEETING, THE FOLLOWING SIXTEEN (16) RULES CHANGE PROPOSALS RECEIVED THE REQUIRED TWO THIRDS AFFIRMATIVE VOTES AND WERE THEREFORE APPROVED.



Michigan Amateur Hockey Association PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

13 3a

APPROVED
7/14/13

SUBJECT: **Director Removal, Resignation and Vacancy**

MAHA USA CHANGE NEW RULE

RULE NO. **BYLAW5: GOVERNMENT** PAGE NO. 16

Current Rule Reads:

7. Resignation and Vacancy

- a. Officers, Directors, Directors at Large, Past Officers, Life Members and USA Hockey Directors shall not be involved in a skating facility as an arena manager or owner while holding office and shall not have been involved as an owner, officer or manager of a for-profit tournament or for-profit league during that period. If this occurs, it shall result in the immediate resignation of that person.
- b. Any Officer may resign at any time by submitting a letter of resignation to the President and the Secretary. In the event a vacancy occurs the Officer-elect for that office will immediately fill the position if such a person exists. If there is no officer-elect, the Executive Committee of MAHA will redistribute the Officer's duties until the next meeting of the Board of Directors. At that time, either a regularly scheduled election for the position will be held or a special election to fill the remainder of the term of office will be held. In the latter case, the vacancy and a call for nominations will be announced to the Board of Directors at least 14 days prior to the meeting if possible. The person elected will take office immediately.
- c. A District Director may resign at any time by giving notice to the District Chairperson and to the President, and Secretary of the MAHA. Any vacancy shall be filled by a vote of the District Directors. Replacement candidates must be active Council members or, if not available, any other member of the District in good standing.
- d. A Director-at-Large may resign at any time by giving notice to the President and Secretary of the Association. Any vacancy resulting from resignation or other cause shall be filled by the Directors at the next Summer or Winter Meeting of Directors. The Executive Committee may appoint an interim Director-at-Large to serve until the next Summer or Winter Meeting.
- e. A USA Hockey Director may resign at any time by submitting a letter of resignation to the President and the Secretary. In the event a vacancy occurs the USA Hockey Director-elect for that office will immediately fill the position if such a person exists. If there is no USA Hockey Director-elect, the Executive Committee of MAHA shall appoint a member in good standing until the next meeting of the Board of Directors. At that time, either a regularly scheduled election for the position will be held or a special election to fill the remainder of the term of office will be held. In the latter case, the vacancy and a call for nominations will be announced to the Board of Directors at least 14 days prior to the meeting if possible. The person elected shall take office immediately.

Revise As Follows:

7. Resignation, **Removal** and Vacancy

ADD:

- f. **Upon reasonable belief that an Officer, District Director or Director-at-Large of the MAHA has violated the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, Policies or other applicable rules or decisions of USA Hockey or the MAHA, or has otherwise engaged in conduct unsuitable for the sport of hockey, the MAHA Executive Committee may investigate and, if it believes necessary by a majority vote of the Executive Committee, act as the Disciplinary Authority with respect to any alleged misconduct or improper action.**

Any hearing by the Executive Committee shall be conducted in accordance with USA Hockey By-Law 10. A finding of misconduct or improper action on the part of any Officer or Director of the MAHA must be supported by seven (7) or more votes of the Disciplinary Authority. The decision of the Disciplinary Authority shall be considered a final decision of the MAHA and appealable to USA Hockey in accordance with By Law 10.E.

- g. An Officer of the MAHA is automatically removed from his or her office upon conviction of any felony *or filing of bankruptcy* while serving in office. An Officer of the MAHA is automatically removed from his or her office for failure to attend three regularly scheduled meetings in a row without being excused by the MAHA Executive Committee.
- h. A District Director is automatically removed from his or her position as a District Director upon conviction of any felony *or filing of bankruptcy* while serving as a District Director. A District Director is automatically removed from his or her position as a District Director for failure to attend two consecutive MAHA Board of Directors meetings without being excused by the MAHA Board of Directors. A District Director is also automatically removed from his or her position as a District Director for failure to attend three regularly scheduled District Council meetings in a row without being excused by the affected District Council.
- i. A Director-at-Large is automatically removed from his or her office upon conviction of any felony *or filing of bankruptcy* while serving as a Director-at-Large. A Director-at-Large is also automatically removed from his or her office for failure to attend three regularly scheduled meetings in a row without being excused by the MAHA Board of Directors.
- j. Any Officer, District Director or Director-at-Large that voluntarily resigns his or her office or is otherwise removed from office must immediately deliver any and all records of the corporation in his or her possession to the MAHA Secretary. Failure to comply with this rule is grounds for the MAHA to seek injunctive relief and obtain all costs and attorney fees incurred in having to secure compliance with this rule.
- k. In the event of the death or other removal of an Officer, District Director, Director-at-Large or USA Hockey Director as set forth in these rules, the MAHA shall fill the position in the same manner provided for in these rules for voluntary resignations of the specified position.

Effective Date of Rule: 07/14/2013

Reason For Change:

To add a vehicle for District Councils to remove non-participatory member Directors

PROCEDURE FOR M.A.H.A. RULES CHANGES:

- 1. Submit to District Director
- 2. District Reviews and Forwards to MAHA Rules Committee
- 3. Directors move to forward or reject at MAHA Winter Meeting
- 4. Proposal Voted On at the MAHA Summer Meeting

Submitted by: **Kim Durka**

District Director:

Rules Committee Action:

MAHA Directors Action:



Michigan Amateur Hockey Association PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

APPROVED
7/14/13

SUBJECT: **ADULT DIVISION ROSTERS**

MAHA USA CHANGE NEW RULE

RULE NO. **II. B.** PAGE NO. 20

Current Rule Reads:

II. REGISTRATION AND ROSTERING: PARTICIPANTS AND TEAMS

- A. All participants must be USA Hockey registered before participating in any manner.
- B. Before playing any games, a team must have a USA Hockey certified roster (1-T) from the appropriate USA Hockey Associate Registrar. All rosters.....

Revise As Follows:

II. REGISTRATION AND ROSTERING: PARTICIPANTS AND TEAMS

- A. All participants must be USA Hockey registered before participating in any manner.
- B. Before playing any games, a team must have a USA Hockey certified roster (1-T) from the appropriate USA Hockey Associate Registrar. **In the Adult Men's and Women's Rec divisions, the (1-T) form is required before participating in the District/State playoffs.** All rosters.....

Effective Date of Rule: July 14, 2013

Reason For Change:

To bring MAHA Adult divisions in compliance with USA Hockey requirements in effect since 2002. This has been the practice since USAH started online registration. This has been noted each year at the "Lock-Up Weekend" by Bob Yohe, but the rule was never updated.

PROCEDURE FOR M.A.H.A. RULES CHANGES:

1. Submit to District Director
2. District Reviews and Forwards to MAHA Rules Committee
3. Directors move to forward or reject at MAHA Winter Meeting
4. Proposal Voted On at the MAHA Summer Meeting

Submitted by: **MAHA Adult Committee**

District Director: **Ray Kraemer**

Rules Committee Action:

MAHA Directors Action:

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Michigan Amateur Hockey Association PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

13 7

APPROVED
AS AMENDED
7/14/13

SUBJECT: **Girls Rostering Exceptions**

MAHA USA CHANGE NEW RULE

RULE NO. **II, O, 3, a(2)** PAGE NO. **22**

Current Rule Reads:

A female player playing on a Youth B team may also roster on a Girls recreational team within the same association. Under these circumstances the female player is limited to a maximum of 20 games with the girls TierII/House recreational team and the games played will be included in the game count as it applies to all youth classifications.

Revise As Follows:

A female player playing on a Youth B team may also roster on a girls house recreational team within the same association **at the same age classification or one classification higher than the players actual birth year.** Under these circumstances the female player is limited to a maximum of 20 games with the girls house/recreational team and the games played will be included in the game count as it applies to all youth classifications. *Any requests for a waiver shall be submitted to the State Playoff Committee for approval.*

Effective Date of Rule: July 14, 2013

Reason For Change:

To make the dual roster exception rule align with the play up rule for girls Tier II and house rec classifications.

PROCEDURE FOR M.A.H.A. RULES CHANGES:

1. Submit to District Director
2. District Reviews and Forwards to MAHA Rules Committee
3. Directors move to forward or reject at MAHA Winter Meeting
4. Proposal Voted On at the MAHA Summer Meeting

Submitted by: **Jean Laxton**

District Director:

Rules Committee Action:

MAHA Directors Action:

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Michigan Amateur Hockey Association PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

13 8

APPROVED
7/14/13

SUBJECT: **GIRL'S DUAL ROSTERING**

MAHA USA CHANGE NEW RULE

RULE NO. **II, O, 3, (c)** PAGE NO. 22

Current Rule Reads:

(a) A player must also declare in writing to the Girls'/Women's Vice President at the time of her dual roster request what team she plans to participate with for District, State, Regional and National tournament (youth or girl's). The player may continue to play on both teams throughout the season after she has made her declaration.

Revise As Follows:

Remove entire paragraph.

Effective Date of Rule: July 14, 2013

Reason For Change:

There is no need for this because dual rostering for girls is only allowed for up to (2) tournaments if on a Girls Tier II team and for youth players wanting to dual roster within their Association on a house/rec Girls team. This rule no longer applies.

PROCEDURE FOR M.A.H.A. RULES CHANGES:

Submitted by: **Jean Laxton**

1. Submit to District Director
2. District Reviews and Forwards to MAHA Rules Committee
3. Directors move to forward or reject at MAHA Winter Meeting
4. Proposal Voted On at the MAHA Summer Meeting

District Director: **Jean Laxton**

Rules Committee Action: _____

MAHA Directors Action: _____

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Michigan Amateur Hockey Association
PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

13 9

APPROVED
7/14/13

SUBJECT: Division Classifications: Women's C

X MAHA USA X CHANGE NEW RULE

RULE NO. VI G 3. PAGE NO. 26

Current Rule Reads:

3. This category is for established teams. In the case of National tournament bound teams, players may not be current or past Olympic or National team players. Current or former College Division I, II or III players may not play in this classification.....

Revise As Follows:

3. This category is for established teams. National tournament bound team players cannot be current or past Olympic or National team players. National Bound teams cannot have more than 4 former NCAA Div I, II or III players. Restricted to legal US residents.

Effective Date of Rule: July 14, 2013

Reason For Change:

To bring in compliance with the revised USA Hockey rule changed in June 2012 to allow 4 college level players to participate in women's C.

PROCEDURE FOR M.A.H.A. RULES CHANGES:

- Submitted by: Jean Laxton
District Director:
Rules Committee Action:
MAHA Directors Action:
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2. District Reviews and Forwards to MAHA Rules Committee
3. Directors move to forward or reject at MAHA Winter Meeting
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Michigan Amateur Hockey Association PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

13 10

SUBJECT: **Division Classifications: Definitions and Rules**

APPROVED
7/14/13

MAHA USA CHANGE NEW RULE

RULE NO. **VI.J.1** PAGE NO. 26

Current Rule Reads:

J. USA Hockey High School Classification

1. The high school classification shall include formal high school/prep school teams consisting of full time students attending high school/prep school.

Revise As Follows:

J. USA Hockey High School Classification

1. The High school classification shall include **high school/prep/~~JV~~ school/~~JV~~ teams consisting of full time students attending high school/prep/~~JV~~ schools.**

Effective Date of Rule: July 14, 2013

Reason For Change:

To recognize the JV teams as part of the MAHA High School Classification.

PROCEDURE FOR M.A.H.A. RULES CHANGES:

Submitted by: **Bob Yohe**

1. Submit to District Director
2. District Reviews and Forwards to MAHA Rules Committee
3. Directors move to forward or reject at MAHA Winter Meeting
4. Proposal Voted On at the MAHA Summer Meeting

District Director:

Rules Committee Action:

MAHA Directors Action:

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Michigan Amateur Hockey Association PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

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APPROVED
7/14/13

SUBJECT: **Division Classifications: Definitions and Rules**

MAHA USA CHANGE NEW RULE

RULE NO. **VI.J.3** PAGE NO. 26

Current Rule Reads:

J. USA Hockey High School Classification

- 3. A USA Hockey rostered team may play a high school/prep school varsity hockey team rostered with and recognized by the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA). This allows for play with high school/prep school teams for the high school/prep school winter season only: November 1 to March 1 of the current playing season.

Revise As Follows:

J. USA Hockey High School Classification

- 3. A USA Hockey rostered team may play **high school/prep/JV hockey teams rostered with and recognized by the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA)** This allows for play with high school varsity/prep school/ Junior Varsity (JV) teams during the school winter session only: November 1 to March 1 of the current season. **All prep and JV teams representing their MHSAA school are required to carry a letter from their school administration confirming their permission to participate against MAHA rostered teams.**

Effective Date of Rule: July 14, 2013

Reason For Change:

To recognize the JV teams and allow them to play against MAHA rostered teams. Also requires prep teams and JV teams recognized to provide written proof they are recognized by the school.

PROCEDURE FOR M.A.H.A. RULES CHANGES:

1. Submit to District Director	Submitted by: Bob Yohe
2. District Reviews and Forwards to MAHA Rules Committee	District Director:
3. Directors move to forward or reject at MAHA Winter Meeting	Rules Committee Action:
4. Proposal Voted On at the MAHA Summer Meeting	MAHA Directors Action:

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Michigan Amateur Hockey Association PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

13 12

SUBJECT: Tier 1, Tier II & House/Rec Girls

APPROVED
AS AMENDED
7/14/13

MAHA USA CHANGE NEW RULE

RULE NO. VI, L, 1, a (8) and VI L 2 (g) PAGE NO. 27

Current Rule Reads:

Players can participate in only one age classification higher than player's actual birth year classification. Under special circumstances, a parent/guardian may submit a written request for a one year waiver to the Vice-President of Girls/women and the girls/women committee..

Revise As Follows:

Players can participate in only one age classification higher than player's actual birth year classification. ~~Under special circumstances, a parent/guardian may submit a written request for a one year waiver to the Vice-President of Girls/women and the girls/women committee.~~ **Waivers must also be approved by the state playoff committee for National bound tournament teams.** Requests for a one year waiver **shall be submitted to the State Playoff Committee.** House/Rec waivers for exception **shall be submitted for approval if waivers are needed for Associations to field a single entry team.**

Effective Date of Rule: July 14, 2013

Reason For Change:

To add the approval of the state playoff committee to any waiver requests for Tier I or Tier II teams.

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Submitted by: **Jean Laxton**

District Director:

Rules Committee Action:

MAHA Directors Action:

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Michigan Amateur Hockey Association PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

13 13

APPROVED
7/14/13

SUBJECT: **Girls Teams Tier II girls 10U-19U**

MAHA USA CHANGE NEW RULE

RULE NO. **VI-L 2 (b)** PAGE NO. **27**

Current Rule Reads:

These teams may enter the state tournament at the Tier II level.

Revise As Follows:

These teams may enter the state tournament at the Tier II level or if they comply with the 14/10 game count rule they may submit an intent to enter the Tier I state tournament. To be eligible, teams must play their required games against Tier I teams.

Effective Date of Rule: July 14, 2013

Reason For Change:

To clarify the ability for teams to play up at a state tournament if the team qualifies.

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Submitted by: **Jean Laxton**

District Director:

Rules Committee Action:

MAHA Directors Action:

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Michigan Amateur Hockey Association PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

AUTOMATIC APPROVAL
DUE TO USAH RULE
CHANGE 71413

SUBJECT: 8U Cross-ice / Half-ice

MAHA USA CHANGE NEW RULE

RULE NO. VI. L. 7. PAGE NO. 30

Current Rule Reads:

- 7. Youth – eight (8) & under only (does not include six (6) and under)
 - a. As a best practice, it is recommended that all Associations incorporate the ADM practice curriculum and initiatives into their Mite Player Development practice program for all Mite Teams.
 - b. Division Classifications Allowed
 - (1) Mite A teams in this classification shall not have players who are in their last year of eligibility.
 - (2) Mite AA teams in this classification shall have players who are in their last year of eligibility or younger.
 - (3) Mite B is a team with players chosen on a draft basis. All draft rules pertaining to youth B teams apply with the exception of the sliding scale.
 - c. No Independent teams may participate in this classification.
 - d. Has no more than three (3) players who reside outside the District in which the team is registered.
 - e. All teams and players playing in eight (8) and under classifications are restricted to the following:
 - (1) Eight and under Mite Full-Ice teams that play in sanctioned leagues that schedule both Half-Ice and Full-Ice games for league teams shall be allowed to play a maximum of 40 Full-Ice games. It is recommended that leagues schedule a minimum of 10 Half-Ice games or an equal number of Half-Ice and Full-Ice regular season league games. Associations who conduct their own in-house program shall conduct it the same as what is required for leagues.
 - (2) Teams that do not participate in a sanctioned league are limited to 20 Full-Ice games.
 - (3) Cross-Ice / Half-Ice games do not count toward a team's game count.
 - (4) A maximum of Four (4) Full-Ice tournaments or invitational.
 - (5) Maximum of two (2) full ice games per day, including tournaments and league play. There is no exception to the two (2) full ice games maximum per day.
 - f. No youth team which has a majority of youth eight (8) and under players may register or participate as a regular league member of another (higher) classification.
 - g. Associations violating rules a. through f. may face action by their District Council to remove their Association's good standing with MAHA.
 - h. In Cross-Ice / Half-Ice games, MAHA encourages the use of referees as a training ground for young referees
 - i. Eight and under Spring Hockey leagues do not need to offer both Full-Ice and Cross-Ice scheduled games.

Proviso: Districts that are mandating half-ice or cross-ice programs may continue that practice.

Revise As Follows:

- 7. Youth – eight (8) & under only (does not include six (6) and under)
 - a. As a best practice, it is recommended that all Associations incorporate the ADM practice curriculum and initiatives into their Mite Player Development practice program for all Mite Teams.
 - b. Division Classifications Allowed
 - (1) Mite A teams in this classification shall not have players who are in their last year of eligibility.
 - (2) Mite AA teams in this classification shall have players who are in their last year of eligibility or younger.
 - (3) Mite B is a team with players chosen on a draft basis. All draft rules pertaining to youth B teams apply with the exception of the sliding scale.
 - c. No Independent teams may participate in this classification.
 - d. Has no more than three (3) players who reside outside the District in which the team is registered.
 - e. All games and scrimmages at the eight (8) and under age level shall be played either cross-ice or half-ice *subject to any limited exceptions as may be approved by the USA Hockey Player Development Committee.*

~~All teams and players playing in eight (8) and under classifications are restricted to the following:~~

- ~~1. Eight and under Mite Full-Ice teams that play in sanctioned leagues that schedule both Half-Ice and Full-Ice games for league teams shall be allowed to play a maximum of 40 Full-Ice games. It is recommended that leagues schedule a minimum of 10 Half-Ice games or an equal number of Half-Ice and Full-Ice regular season league games. Associations who conduct their own in-house program shall conduct it the same as what is required for leagues.~~
 - ~~2. Teams that do not participate in a sanctioned league are limited to 20 Full-Ice games.~~
 - ~~3. Cross-Ice / Half-Ice games do not count toward a team's game count.~~
 - ~~4. A maximum of Four (4) Full-Ice tournaments or invitational.~~
 - ~~5. Maximum of two (2) full ice games per day, including tournaments and league play. There is no exception to the two (2) full ice games maximum per day.~~
 - f. No youth team which has a majority of youth eight (8) and under players may register or participate as a regular league member of another (higher) classification.
 - g. Associations violating rules a. through f. may face action by their District Council to remove their Association's good standing with MAHA.
 - h. In Cross-Ice / Half-Ice games, MAHA encourages the use of referees as a training ground for young referees
 - ~~i. Eight and under Spring Hockey leagues do not need to offer both Full-Ice and Cross-Ice scheduled games.~~
- Proviso: Districts that are mandating half-ice or cross-ice programs may continue that practice.*

Effective Date of Rule: July 14, 2013

Reason For Change:

To come in line with USA Hockey rule changes – Definition of a game passed, June 2012

PROCEDURE FOR M.A.H.A. RULES CHANGES:

- 1. Submit to District Director
- 2. District Reviews and Forwards to MAHA Rules Committee
- 3. Directors move to forward or reject at MAHA Winter Meeting
- 4. Proposal Voted On at the MAHA Summer Meeting

Submitted by: **James F. Cosgrove**

District Director:

Rules Committee Action:

MAHA Directors Action:

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Michigan Amateur Hockey Association PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

SUBJECT: STATE PLAYOFFS OVERTIME & RESURFACE RULES

MAHA USA CHANGE NEW RULE

RULE NO. XII. K. 2, 3 & 4 PAGE NO. 36-37

APPROVED
7/14/13

Current Rule Reads:

XII. RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR STATE PLAYOFFS

K. Time of Periods

2. Resurfacing

- a. For all Tier I and Tier II Pee Wee and above, Midget B and BB Youth Classifications and Non-Varsity High School the ice shall be resurfaced before the start of each game and at least every two periods.
 - b. In all other classifications, the ice shall be resurfaced, at a minimum, before each game or every two periods.
3. Overtime - All Divisions except Pee Wee, Bantam and Midget Tier I & Tier II, Girls/Women's non-national bound
- a. No overtime is to be played in round-robin games.
4. Overtime – Division 1 & 2 Non-Varsity High School Classifications; Pee Wee, Bantam and Midget Tier I & Tier II, Girls/Women's national bound Divisions
- a. Preliminary Round: All Games Played to a Winner

Revise As Follows:

XII. RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR STATE PLAYOFFS

K. Time of Periods

2. Resurfacing

- a. **For all Tier I and Tier II Bantam and above, Girl's Tier 1 and Tier 2 14<u and above, Bantam A, Midget B and BB Youth Classifications, Non-Varsity High School and Women's A, B and C the ice shall be resurfaced before the start of each game and every two periods.**
 - b. **In all other classifications, the ice shall be resurfaced before each game and after every three periods.**
3. **Overtime – Squirt B, A & AA; Pee Wee B, A, Tier I and Tier II; Bantam B & A, Midget B & BB; Girl's Rec; Girl's 10<u & 12<u Tier I & Tier 2; Division 1 & 2 Non-Varsity High School Classifications and non-National bound Adult Divisions**
- a. No overtime is to be played in round-robin games.
4. **Overtime –Bantam and Midget Tier I & Tier II, Girls/Women's National bound Divisions**
- a. Preliminary Round: All Games Played to a Winner

Effective Date of Rule: July 14, 2013

Reason For Change:

To make the rules consistent for National bound divisions and non-National bound divisions while maintaining good ice for divisions that ""eat up the ice". Update overtime rules for National bound divisions.

PROCEDURE FOR M.A.H.A. RULES CHANGES:

1. Submit to District Director
2. District Reviews and Forwards to MAHA Rules Committee
3. Directors move to forward or reject at MAHA Winter Meeting
4. Proposal Voted On at the MAHA Summer Meeting

Submitted by: **State Playoff Committee**

District Director: **Roger Mauritho**

Rules Committee Action: _____



Michigan Amateur Hockey Association PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

13 SL-1

APPROVED
7/14/13

SUBJECT: **MAHA Fiscal Year End**

MAHA USA CHANGE NEW RULE

RULE NO. **Bylaw 1** PAGE NO. **13**

Current Rule Reads:

The fiscal year of M.A.H.A. shall end on March 31st of each year.

Revise As Follows:

The fiscal year of M.A.H.A. shall end on April 30th of each year.

Effective Date of Rule: JULY 14, 2013

Reason For Change:

Update fiscal year end to match USA Hockey's membership funds distribution to MAHA & USAH Block Grant. This places the correct items within the MAHA fiscal year.

PROCEDURE FOR M.A.H.A. RULES CHANGES:

Submitted by: **Grant Helms & Exec. Bd.**

1. Submit to District Director
2. District Reviews and Forwards to MAHA Rules Committee
3. Directors move to forward or reject at MAHA Winter Meeting
4. Proposal Voted On at the MAHA Summer Meeting

District Director:

Rules Committee Action:

MAHA Directors Action:

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Michigan Amateur Hockey Association PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

13 SL-3

UBJECT: NATIONAL TOURNAMENTS

APPROVED
7/14/13

MAHA USA CHANGE NEW RULE

RULE NO. XIII. PARAGRAPH A PAGE NO. 38

Current Rule Reads:

Only State Champions are eligible to represent Michigan in National Tournaments, unless, the Tournament is held in Michigan in which case the host Association may enter a team.

Revise As Follows:

Tier I and Tier II State Champions in Michigan earn an automatic invitation to the USA National Championships. If Michigan is the host of a National Tournament, the host will receive the host bid to be used by the host Association team. If the USA Hockey National Tournament Committee requests Michigan to help fill vacancies in tournament brackets, MAHA will enter those teams as well.

Effective Date of Rule: JULY 14, 2013

Reason For Change:

USA Hockey has expanded the amount of teams invited to the National Tournaments some affiliates cannot supply the teams request and Michigan has sometimes been asked to supply extra teams.

PROCEDURE FOR M.A.H.A. RULES CHANGES:

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| 1. Submit to District Director | Submitted by: Bob Yohe |
| 2. District Reviews and Forwards to MAHA Rules Committee | District Director: |
| 3. Directors move to forward or reject at MAHA Winter Meeting | Rules Committee Action: |
| 4. Proposal Voted On at the MAHA Summer Meeting | MAHA Directors Action: |

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Michigan Amateur Hockey Association PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

13 SL-4

APPROVED
7/14/13

SUBJECT: **DISCIPLINE AT STATES**

MAHA USA CHANGE NEW RULE

RULE NO. **XII Section N #3** PAGE NO. 38

Current Rule Reads: *No player or team official shall be suspended from participation in the remaining games unless he/she has appeared before the Discipline Committee and been given the opportunity to relate his/her version of the incident.*

Revise As Follows: *No player or team official shall be suspended from participating in the remaining games unless he/she has **been provided the opportunity to appear before the committee to relate his/her version of the incident.***

Effective Date of Rule: JULY 14, 2013

Reason For Change: To be in line with the same wording as USA Hockey.

PROCEDURE FOR M.A.H.A. RULES CHANGES:

1. Submit to District Director
2. District Reviews and Forwards to MAHA Rules Committee
3. Directors move to forward or reject at MAHA Winter Meeting
4. Proposal Voted On at the MAHA Summer Meeting

Submitted by: **Roger Mauritho**

District Director:

Rules Committee Action:

MAHA Directors Action:

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Michigan Amateur Hockey Association PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

13 SL-6

APPROVED
7/14/13

SUBJECT: **Disciplinary Actions**

MAHA USA CHANGE NEW RULE

RULE NO. **XVI.A.1**

PAGE NO. **39**

Current Rule Reads:

1. All match penalties must be reported by both the Referee and the Head Coach.
 - a. Within 24 Hours:
 - (1) Referee must report penalty to his/her District Referee-in-Chief by phone or electronic device. The referee must also submit an official game report via the game report website.
 - (2) Head coach must report penalty to his/her District Chairperson by phone or electronic device

Revise As Follows:

1. All match penalties must be reported by both the Referee and the Head Coach **or League Director in place of Head Coach for Adult Leagues.**
 - a. Within 24 Hours:
 - (1) Referee must report penalty to his/her District Referee-in-Chief by phone or electronic device. The referee must also submit an official game report via the game report website.
 - (2) Head coach must report penalty to his/her District Chairperson by phone or electronic device.
 - (3) For adult Leagues, the League Director must report the penalty including the players complete name, address, phone and email to the District Chair by phone or electronic device.**

Effective Date of Rule: 9/1/2013

Reason For Change:

With Adult players not being on rosters, it is increasingly difficult to determine the correct adult player in a timely manner. This makes the league take action to get the complete player name and submit it to the District Chairperson for action.

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Submitted by: **Doug Diroff**

District Director: **Doug Diroff**

Rules Committee Action:

MAHA Directors Action:

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Michigan Amateur Hockey Association PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

13 SL-7

SUBJECT: **TERMINOLOGY: "YOUTH COMMITTEE" & "STATE PLAYOFF COMMITTEE"**

MAHA USA CHANGE NEW RULE

RULE NO. **Multiple Area of Guide Book** PAGE NO.

APPROVED
7/14/13

Current Rule Reads:

None

Revise As Follows:

Revise all references in the MAHA Annual Guide from "Youth Committee" to "State Playoff Committee including the Committee title.

Effective Date of Rule: 9/1/2013

Reason For Change:

To make the MAHA Annual Guide consistent.....

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Submitted by: **Doug Diroff**

District Director: **Doug Diroff**

Rules Committee Action:

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MAHA RULE CHANGE AFFECTED BY USA HOCKEY RULES CHANGES

- The following rule approved at the USA Hockey meeting in June, 2013 affected MAHA's rules.**



Michigan Amateur Hockey Association

RULE AFFECTED BY USAH CHANGE

13 USA-1

SUBJECT: **REGISTRATION AND ROSTERING: PARTICIPANTS AND TEAMS**

MAHA USA CHANGE NEW RULE

RULE NO. **II PARAGRAPH I.** PAGE NO. 21

Current Rule Reads:

All participants on Youth & Girls'/Women's teams and on all District, State, and/or National bound Adult teams must sign their USA Hockey roster prior to having their roster certified by the USA Hockey Registrar. Exception: Youth-eight (8) or under and six (6) or under players are not required to sign a roster for purposes of registration (per USA Hockey rules).

Revise As Follows:

Eliminate this paragraph players signatures will no longer be required on rosters.

(Renumber succeeding paragraphs.)

Effective Date of Rule: July 14, 2013

Reason For Change:

No longer a USA Hockey requirement

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Submitted by: **Bob Yohe**

District Director:

Rules Committee Action:

MAHA Directors Action:

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