



BYLAW AMENDMENT 2023

The following Bylaw rule amendments have been approved by the Board of Directors, which supersede any previously approved Bylaw and are for use in 2023.

These amendments will be reconsidered at the '2023 Bylaw Review' and any endorsed amendment will be submitted to the Board of Directors for approval. If approved the amendment will become the rule for future years.

1. Definition (21)

Rule Approved - Minkeys means a player who is the age of Four (4) or over by the 1st of January of the current year and under the age of seven (7) by the 1st of January of the current year, is eligible for Minkeys

2. Definition (24)

Rule Approved - Played Game means a player is deemed to have played in a game if they have taken the field and participated in any division. To participate, in the context of the spirit of a hockey game, is for the player to involve, engage and/or compete in the game. A forfeit or a notified forfeit game will be deemed as a game played for the registered players of the winning team only. In the case of double forfeits, no player will be deemed as having played.

3. Bylaw 3.1.3 d)

Rule Approved - J2 will be predominately a division for A3 and A4 standard players.

A1 division players or players deemed by the THC to be of A1 standard, will definitely be excluded from this (J2) division.

For a player to play in both the J2 and A2 division competitions, dispensation may be considered at the discretion of the Toowoomba Hockey Committee on a case-by-case basis. An official written application, in accordance with THA procedures, with all the relevant details must be submitted by the Major Club or Affiliated Club Officials to the Hockey Manager one (1) week prior to the THC next scheduled meeting. If all THC Delegates unanimously agree with the request, then the submission will be forward to the THA Secretary, one (1) week prior to the Board of Directors' next scheduled meeting, for their decision regarding approval. All requests must be submitted as per above, for both the THC and the Board of Directors to conduct an appropriate review and deliberation of the request.



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4. Bylaw 3.1.3 e)

Rule Approved - Any Junior player who previously was selected in any Queensland or another State team is to be registered in the J1 Division. However, a Major Club or Affiliated Club may request for such a Queensland or other State representative player to be registered in the J2 division.

Dispensation for Bylaw 3.1.3 e) may be considered at the discretion of the Toowoomba Hockey Committee on a case-by-case basis. An official written application, in accordance with THA procedures, with all the relevant details must be submitted by the Major Club or Affiliated Club Officials to the Hockey Manager one (1) week prior to the THC next scheduled meeting. If all THC Delegates unanimously agree with the request, then the submission will be forward to the THA Secretary, one (1) week prior to the Board of Directors' next scheduled meeting, for their decision regarding approval. All requests must be submitted as per above, for both the THC and the Board of Directors to conduct an appropriate review and deliberation of the request.

5. Bylaw 3.3.1

Rule Approved - The THA has the right to accept or refuse any player registration.

All players are required to register prior to taking the field for their first game.

A player may register for the entire season or as a Casual Player, refer Definition 5, 6 and 7.

Casual Players can be included in a team's registered eleven (11) players.

Fully registered players cannot re-register as a Cas5 registration or Cas10 registration player.

The registration relates specifically to the number of games played and not the number of rounds. Therefore, if the player utilising a Casual Player registration runs onto the field for any amount of time to play, it will be considered a game played. Further if a player plays in two games on the one day or similar, then the player will have been considered to play two games or whatever number of games as the case may be.

6. Bylaw 3.3.2 d)

Rule Approved - A Senior player may play in a higher division for only one (1) team per division per round of games.

NOTE: The above 3.3.2 d) amendment has been introduced and therefore, Rules d), e), f) and g) under Dual Club Registration will now be numbered e), f), g) and h).



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7. Bylaw 3.3.4 e)

Rule Approved - A junior player may only play in any one (1) senior team per division per round of games

8. Bylaws 3.3.4 g)

Rule Approved - Juniors, who have represented Toowoomba or another Association at a State Championships in the first team or in any regional or State or higher representative teams are ineligible to compete in the fourth division competition (A4).

Dispensation for a player stated in 3.3.4 g) to play in the A4 division competition, may be considered at the discretion of the Toowoomba Hockey Committee on a case-by-case basis. An official written application, in accordance with THA procedures, with all the relevant details must be submitted by the Major Club or Affiliated Club Officials to the Hockey Manager one (1) week prior to the THC next scheduled meeting. If all THC Delegates unanimously agree with the request, then the submission will be forward to the THA Secretary, one (1) week prior to the Board of Directors' next scheduled meeting, for their decision regarding approval. All requests must be submitted as per above, for both the THC and the Board of Directors to conduct an appropriate review and deliberation of the request.

9. Bylaw 5.1.1

Rule Approved - Dispensation for a player to be eligible for the finals, may be considered at the discretion of the Toowoomba Hockey Committee on a case-by-case basis. An official written application, in accordance with THA procedures, with all the relevant details must be submitted by the Major Club or Affiliated Club Officials to the Hockey Manager one (1) week prior to the THC next scheduled meeting. If all THC Delegates unanimously agree with the request, then the submission will be forward to the THA Secretary, one (1) week prior to the Board of Directors' next scheduled meeting, for their decision regarding approval. All requests must be submitted as per above, for both the THC and the Board of Directors to conduct an appropriate review and deliberation of the request.

Authorised Signature: _____

THA Position: PRESIDENT