

KEY CHANGES TO RULES 2017 SECONDARY SCHOOL TOURNAMENT RULES

Rules Document:

We have merged the Regional Tournament Rules, Association Tournament Rules, Affiliates Tournament Rules and National University Tournament Rules into one document labelled "National Representative Tournament Rules". There is still a separate document for our Secondary School Tournaments.

Key changes across Secondary School tournaments are listed below.

A. TEAM AND PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

3. Entry Fee, Affiliation Fee and Entry Bond

The Umpire Bond has now increased to \$1,000 to better reflect the true cost of taking an umpire to tournament with a school. HNZ would like to encourage schools to contact local umpire groups within their association to establish a relationship early in the season.

B. PRE TOURNAMENT ADMINISTRATION

8. Team Registration Form

The rules now reflect the change to all team registration being completed online via the Altius tournament management system.

All tournaments will now have a maximum of eighteen (18) players and minimum of twelve (12) if 2 Goalkeepers are included in the squad. If a team chooses only to select one goalkeeper, they are only allowed 16 players. This is to help increase the exposure of players in a position of need (Goalkeeper) and also exposes an additional 2 athletes to a national tournament and the experience that brings.

C. OPERATIONAL TOURNAMENT ADMINISTRATION

15 Points and Pool Placements

15.2 Pool Competition

The procedure for separating teams has been clarified and also includes the procedure in the event 3 teams are tied and the way the shootout should operate in the appendices.

15.3 Round Robin Competition

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D. MATCH PLAY REGULATIONS

18 Players in the Tournament

The Significant Injury replacement rule has been modified to allow greater discrepancy on the part of the Tournament Director.

The rules around the use of eighteen players including 2 Goalkeepers has been shifted from Rule number 8 down to rule number 18 as it is felt this is more of a Match Play scenario.

19 Ineligible Players

Clarification on the process should a player be found to be ineligible. No major changes but wording slightly altered to better reflect natural justice in the event of ineligible player taking part in a game.

22 Game Duration

All HNZ and NZSSSC sanctioned Secondary School Hockey tournaments will now be played across 2 x 30 minute halves with a maximum 5 minute halftime. This includes Tier 1 & 2 tournaments which were played in 35 minute halves in 2016.

23 Interruptions to a Match

Wording altered to allow greater discrepancy for the Tournament Director in the event of an interruption to a match.

24 Admission to the Field of Play

In the interests of increasing the awareness of the need for greater focus on health and safety, we have altered the make up of the 4 management staff allowed in the dugout to encourage a physio (minimum) to be in the dugout at all times. If no physio, teams will be limited to 3 staff in the dug out (1 coach, 1 manager, 1 extra).

