



Junior Goaltender Eligibility

A) In this section:

i) “Carded Goaltender” means a goaltender on the protected list of a team;

ii) “Affiliate Goaltender” means a goaltender appearing on the protected list of a team with which that team is affiliated.

iii) “Replacement Goaltender” means a goaltender, other than an affiliated goaltender, which a team may be permitted to place on a game sheet and in accordance with this section.

B) No goaltender shall either appear on a team’s game sheet, or play in a game, except in accordance with this section.

C) A team is entitled to place a goaltender on a game sheet if that goaltender is:

i) A carded goaltender, or;

ii) In the event of the unavailability of one or more carded goaltenders, an affiliate goaltender.

D) A team may be permitted to place a replacement goaltender on a game sheet only if:

i) The team cannot place a combination of two carded goaltenders and affiliate goaltenders on a game sheet, and;

ii) Permission is granted by the League President or his designate, or, in the case of Provincial competition, by the Vice President of Junior or his designate in the manner provided for by this rule.

E) A replacement goaltender appearing on a game sheet shall only be used as an emergency stand-by only, and shall not play in any game unless:

i) All carded and affiliate goaltenders otherwise available to a team become ill or injured prior to a game, and provide medical documentation of such illness or injury to the satisfaction of the Vice President of Junior, or his designate at least two hours prior to the game, or;

ii) The carded or affiliate goaltender appearing on the game sheet along with the replacement goaltender becomes ill or injured during the warm-up or game.

F) In League play, section (e) shall apply with such necessary modification so as to accord with the League’s own rule relating to the formalities of League permission, if such League has an equivalent rule which differs from this section. The League rule shall supersede the provisions of section (e) to the extent the sections differ.

G) A team shall be permitted to place a second replacement goaltender on a game sheet only if the team cannot place any combination of carded and affiliate goaltenders on a game sheet.

H) A second replacement goaltender appearing on a game sheet shall only be used as an emergency stand-by only, and shall not play in any game unless:

i) The first replacement goaltender selected by a team, and approved in accordance with section (e) becomes ill or injured prior to a game, and provides medical documentation of such illness or injury to the satisfaction of the Vice President of Junior or his designate at least two hours prior to the game, or;

ii) The first replacement goaltender selected by a team, and approved in accordance with section (e) appearing on the game sheet along with the second replacement goaltender, becomes ill or injured during the warm-up or game.

I) In League play, section (h) shall apply with necessary medication so as to accord with the League's own rule relating to the formalities of League permission, if such League has an equivalent rule which differs from this section. The League rule shall supersede the provisions of section (h) to the extent the sections differ.

J) During a period in which a team has no combination of carded or affiliate goaltender available due to illness or injury, the first replacement goaltender shall remain that team's approved goaltender, and no other goaltender shall play in a game unless in accordance (h) above, or in the case of League Play, in accordance with any conflicting League play.

K) In the event a team's first replacement goaltender becomes ill or injured, and is unavailable to a team in accordance with the provisions of section (h), the team shall be allowed to add subsequent replacement goaltenders, but the same procedure as set out in (h) shall apply to subsequent replacement goaltenders as it does to second replacement goaltenders. For greater certainty, the second replacement goaltender selected by a team and approved in accordance with section (h) assumes the position of the first replacement goaltender until the first replacement goaltender is medically cleared, or a carded or affiliate goaltender medically cleared.

L) The Registrar of the League, or, in the case of Provincial Play, the Tournament Coordinator, or his designate shall note the First Replacement Goaltender selected by a team and approved in accordance with this section, or the applicable League rule, as the "First Replacement Goaltender" and shall immediately inform the Vice President of Junior, or his designate, of the identity of the First Replacement Goaltender, and the time and date upon which permission was granted for the use of the Goaltender. The Registrar or Tournament Coordinator shall follow the identical procedure upon the approval of each subsequent Replacement Goaltender and identify each subsequent goaltender as a 'second' or 'third' Replacement Goaltender, as the case may be, according to the chronology of approval.

M) Section (L) shall apply in all cases, whether in League Play or in Provincial Competition.

N) In all cases in which a team is granted permission to dress an Affiliate or Replacement Goaltender, from the same or a lower category or division of hockey, the requesting team shall obtain the permission of the team with which the Affiliate or Replacement Goaltender is carded. The requesting Junior team shall also provide a telephone number for the team official who provides the permission for the Affiliate or Replacement Goaltender to play with the Junior Team.

O) In all cases in which a team is granted permission to dress an Affiliate or Replacement Goaltender, from the same or lower category or division of hockey, that Affiliate or Replacement Goaltender shall be permitted to return to his original team regardless of the number of games dressed as a Replacement with the Junior Team, or the dates upon which he is dressed. For further certainty, no Replacement of Affiliate Goaltender shall be disqualified from further competition in his own category or division of hockey by reason of dressing in Junior games in accordance to this section.

P) In all cases, a Replacement Goaltender must be a Carded Goaltender in the League in which the team requesting the Replacement Goaltender also plays. If the requesting team is based in a Hockey NL Zone in which no league exists, the Replacement Goaltender must either reside, or play with, a team in the same Hockey NL Zone in which the requesting team is based.

Q) Prior to entering Provincial Competition, each team must designate a Replacement Goaltender for use as a "Stand By" Goaltender, which Stand Bay Goaltender shall only dress in the event that the team cannot dress a combination of two carded or affiliate goaltenders during the tournament. The provisions of section (d) and (e) apply to this section with necessary modification, to determine the eligibility of the Stand-By Goaltender to dress, and play respectively. The provisions of sections (g) and (h) shall apply with necessary medication, to determine the eligibility of subsequent replacement Goaltenders dress, and play, respectively, in the event that a Stand-By Goaltender is unable to play due to illness or injury.

R) In each case in which a Replacement Goaltender wither appears on a game sheet, or plays, other than in accordance with the provisions of this section, such Goaltender shall be deemed an ineligible player within the meaning of the Hockey Canada and/or HNL Constitution and Playing Rules, with the consequences prescribed thereunder.