

MEMORANDUM

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VIA EMAIL

TO: NCAA Ice Hockey Conference Commissioners, Coordinators of Officials and

Head Coaches.

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Committee

SUBJECT: 2022-23 Preseason Rules Guidance and Clarifications.

This communication is intended to assist with preparations for the 2022-23 NCAA ice hockey season. Several important pieces of information are included to assist with the understanding and application of the rules.

The rules committee and NCAA staff have prepared rules and officiating materials designed to assist in the understanding of our rules and expectations with regard to enforcement.

- **1. Rules Videos.** The rules and officiating staff has prepared two video presentations to be utilized at the upcoming clinics and in preseason meetings. Please share these videos with your team as you begin preparing for the upcoming season. Links to the videos are below:
 - Rules and Officiating Video (both Men's and Women's): To view the 2022-23 NCAA ice hockey video, please click here: https://vimeo.com/746893748/b21c2f4270
 - Women's Supplemental Video: To view the 2022-23 NCAA women's ice hockey body contact video, please click here: https://vimeo.com/742203548/f38c655434
- **2. Points of Emphasis.** The committee approved new points of emphasis for this year:
 - Faceoff protocol;
 - Pregame/between periods protocols;
 - Supplementary discipline;
 - Slew-footing/leg checks; and
 - Embellishment/diving.

Please review a full description of these points of emphasis in both the rules book and educational video for the season.

- **3. Major Rules Changes.** The complete list of the new rules changes <u>is located at this link</u>. A copy of the 2022-23 and 2023-24 rules book will be mailed to each head coach and conference commissioner. A digital version of the rules book can be downloaded at <u>www.ncaapublications.com</u>.
- **4.** NCAA Ice Hockey Rules Committee leadership structure. For the 2022-23 season, the rules committee's leadership structure includes: chair Keith Maurice (Trinity keith.maurice@trincoll.edu). Dakota. men's vice chair Erik Martinson (North erik.martinson@und.edu). and women's vice chair Lee-I Mirasolo mirasolo@fas.harvard.edu). The full rules committee roster may be viewed at this link and the committee plans monthly calls during the season to monitor and provide guidance as needed.
- **5. RefQuest: Ongoing Officiating/Rules Education platform.** You should have received an e-mail for access from RefQuest, the education website for game officials, to be able to view the ongoing educational materials provided to officials (videos, interpretations, etc.). Please be sure you have access and stay updated throughout the year. The direct link to the ice hockey landing page may be viewed at this link.

Thank you for your attention to this information as you prepare for the coming year. Additional information will be supplied in the near future at the preseason conference clinics and meetings. Please go to www.ncaa.org/playingrules to review all information (e.g., rules book, video, etc.). Hopefully, this will assist officials and coaches in understanding our rules changes for this season.

cc: NCAA Men's and Women's Ice Hockey Officials Selected NCAA Staff