



MEMORANDUM

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VIA EMAIL

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

FROM: Jeff Fulton
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SUBJECT: Postseason Overtime Video Review

This communication serves as a reminder regarding video replay review of overtime goals in postseason games (e.g., NCAA championship or conference tournament). As a reminder, it is the rules committee's intent to use video replay efficiently to clear overtime goals and end these important games correctly.

The rules in effect are below:

Video replay. During postseason games where video replay is used, all overtime goals will be cleared by the on-ice officials. Each postseason entity (e.g., NCAA championship or conference) will determine which allowable video replay procedure to use.

Guidance and process for clearing overtime goals (Rule 93.7):

- On-Ice Officials are required to review all overtime goals.
- Review will include entry into the offensive zone (possible offsides) to the puck entering the goal net legally.
- Officials will utilize all aspects of video replay criteria to confirm the goal was scored legally.
- Coaches may challenge any aspect of the play outside of scoring a goal (i.e. Major Penalty) that complies with Rule 93.4 (Video Replay Criteria).
- A coach's challenge must take place prior to the on-ice officials clearing the goal.
- The captain of the challenging team must request any additional reviews prior to on-ice officials clearing goals. When the on-ice officials confirm the overtime goal was scored legally, the game is complete, and no additional challenges may be requested.

Thank you for your time and attention to this important communication. Good luck this postseason.