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Background

This document details the rules for the SJHA Sponsored Sydney Wide Under 15 competition following the successful trial conducted in 2005.

Clubs from Northern Area and Central Area have agreed to nominate teams to participate in the competition.

Section 1 – GENERAL

1. The SJHA Sydney Wide Under 15 Competition for 2007 is a competition for boys and girls up to under 15 age group and shall be referred to as the SJHA-U15 Competition.
2. The SJHA-U15 Competition shall be managed by a sub-committee appointed by SJHA, herewith referred to as the SJHA-U15 Committee.
3. Any club whose team withdraws from the competition, once commenced shall incur the full costs for all their matches (as per forfeit) for the remainder of the season.
4. Points for individual Association's Club Championships shall be as determined by each Association's Committee.
5. The SJHA-U15 Committee shall provide trophies for the competition Grand Finals.
6. Umpires are to be provided by each Club and shall be done in consultation with the Sydney Hockey Umpires Association and the SJHA-U15 Committee.
7. The basic rules and interpretations for the SJHA-U15 competition shall be principally per the current "Rules of the Game of Hockey".
8. Matches shall be played at designated venues on a "Home and Away" basis at times set down according to the official competition draw. Wherever possible there shall be no play during:
 - a) the middle weekend of the school holidays and Easter
 - b) the weekends of the NSW Hockey Under 15 State Championships
 - c) the June Queen's Birthday long weekend.
9. Each team is permitted up to 5 substituting players per match with unlimited interchange.
10. Only players and umpires are permitted on the playing surface during a match unless in the case of injury or other unforeseen event.
11. Any Judiciary matters shall be heard by a convened judiciary. See Section 9 -Judiciary.
12. Clubs are strongly recommended that players wear mouthguards and shin pads.

Clubs are recommended that players, umpires, officials and spectators use appropriate sun protection.

Section 2 - MATCH DURATION, POINTS AND SCORE SHEETS

1. Matches are to be played as set down in the competition draw for SJHA-U15 Competition.
2. Time allocated to teams is as follows:
 - 1 x 5min changeover/warm up
 - 2 x 30 minute halves
 - 1 x 5 minute half-time

Matches must finish as per the scheduled finish regardless of the starting time.

Where a Penalty Corner or Penalty Stroke has been awarded, it shall be permitted to be completed as per the Rules of Hockey.

3. The Registrar shall maintain a point score of results. The final points score table following the completion of all rounds is to be tallied, and the top four (4) teams (1, 2, 3, & 4) shall participate in the Finals series.

4. Points shall be awarded as follows:
Win 2, Draw 1, Loss 0, Forfeit 2 (with 5 – 0 win recorded) to the team who received the forfeit.
5. Each team is to complete a score sheet and record all goals scored and any cards issued.
6. On completion of the match, all teams/clubs shall be responsible for transmitting score sheets to the registrar within 24 hours of the match, or no later than 4pm the next working day.

Section 3 - REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS

1. All players must be registered with SJHA.
2. No player may be registered with more than one team in any one competition. Player transfer is to be in line with their Area's Rules and those of SJHA.
3. Registration lists with the name, address, phone number, age and any other details required by Sydney Junior Hockey Association of all junior players from each club together with fees as set down by the Committee are to be in the hands of the Secretary (or the Secretary's nominee) by the Monday following the third round of the SJHA-U15 competition, otherwise those teams shall not be eligible for competition points.
4. Each team may register a MAXIMUM of sixteen (16) players, fourteen (14) field players and two (2) goalkeepers and a MINIMUM of eleven (11) players which includes one (1) goalkeeper.

Section 4 - UNIFORMS AND PLAYING NUMBERS

1. All teams must play in their Club playing uniform that is recognised by SJHA.
2. In the event of a clash in uniform colours, the "Away" team listed on the draw must make appropriate arrangements to change their uniform prior to the match.
3. Captain Identification: The Captain of the team be clearly identified by either wearing an arm/leg band with the word 'captain' or a brightly coloured ribbon fixed to the back of the players shirt.

Section 5 - INJURIES AND TIME OUT

1. There shall be no time out for injuries, substitutions, etc.
2. Any player, who sustains an injury and bleeds, is required to immediately leave the playing area. The player is not permitted to resume playing until the bleeding has stopped or a suitable occlusive dressing has been applied.
3. In the event of blood spillage onto the playing surface or dug out, the spillage should be cleaned up.
4. No player should be treated for an injury on the playing surface unless in extenuating circumstances where it is deemed unsafe to move the injured player.
5. Reasonable time may be permitted for exchange of Goal Keepers at the discretion of the umpires and Ground Convenor.

Section 6 - TEAM OFFICIALS

1. Each Participating club is responsible for the provision of a Ground Convenor for "Home" Games. The Ground Convenor is responsible to ensure that games start and finish as per published times.
2. Team Officials, players and spectators are under the jurisdiction of the SJHA-U15 Committee whilst at the competition venues. The Judiciary as outlined in Section 9 shall deal with any misconduct or behaviour detrimental to the game of hockey and the SJHA-U15 competition

Section 7 - FORFEITS AND CANCELLATIONS

1. Teams failing to take the field within 10 minutes of the advertised match time of play shall forfeit the match, unless extenuating circumstances are accepted by the opposing team and umpires, or an appeal is made and allowed by a subsequent SJHA-U15 Committee meeting.
2. Goalkeepers (or their substitutes) must be fully kitted. The game shall not proceed unless each team fields a fully kitted goalkeeper. After ten minutes, if there is no fully kitted goalkeeper the game may be forfeited
3. If a team forfeits a game without advance notice i.e. at the time of the scheduled game the forfeiting team shall be charged the TOTAL cost for the timeslot.
4. If a team forfeits a game with advance notice the forfeiting team MUST :
 - notify the opposing Team's Club Secretary/Junior convenor
 - notify the Fixtures Convenor.

Such notice must be 10 days prior to the scheduled game by phone AND confirm the forfeit within 48 hours of the above phone call in writing (email/fax).

5. A team claiming a forfeit must do so on a match card, which is to be forwarded to the Registrar as per standard procedure.

Section 8 – FINALS SERIES: SEMI-FINALS, FINALS AND GRANDFINALS

1. **Eligibility**
To be eligible for the final series a player MUST have played a MINIMUM of 50% of the available matches for their Club in the SJHA-U15 Competition during the current season or three (3) of the last five (5) games for their Club.
2. In extenuating circumstances the above conditions may be varied on application to SJHA-U15 Committee.

Applications for consideration of extenuating circumstances should be made in writing to the Registrar 14 days prior to the scheduled semi-final, final and grand final.

The SJHA-U15 Committee Chairperson shall convene a special committee meeting to consider the application. Any Appeals shall be to SJHA Committee.

3. Semi-Finals, Finals and the Grand Final shall be held on dates determined by the SJHA-U15 Committee
4. **Semi-Finals Major (1 v 2)**
If teams are equal on completion of normal playing time the following shall occur:
 - After a 5 min break, teams shall change ends to commence a 10 minute SUDDEN DEATH (Golden goal) DROP-OFF game played as follows:
 - First 5 minutes only 9 players per team (2 drop-off - leave the field)
 - Second 5 minutes only 7 players per team (2 more drop-off - leave the field)
 - If teams are still equal on completion of the SUDDEN DEATH (Golden goal) DROP-OFF, the team highest on the competition table shall proceed directly to the Grand Final.
 - If equal on points the team with greater goal difference shall proceed directly to the Grand Final.
 - If equal on goal difference, then the team with the greater number of goals scored shall proceed directly to the Grand Final.
 - If the teams are still equal, then a coin shall be tossed by the convenor to determine which team goes directly into the Grand Final. The team in the left dugout (as seen from the umpire's area looking at the field) shall be "heads" and the team on the right dugout shall be "tails".

5. **Semi-Finals Minor (3 v 4)**

If teams are equal on completion of normal playing time the following shall occur:

- After a 5 min break, teams shall change ends to commence a 10 minute SUDDEN DEATH (Golden goal) DROP-OFF game played as follows:
 - First 5 minutes only 9 players per team (2 drop-off - leave the field)
 - Second 5 minutes only 7 players per team (2 more drop-off - leave the field)
- If teams are still equal on completion of the SUDDEN DEATH (Golden goal) DROP-OFF, the team highest on the competition table shall proceed to the Final.
- If equal on points the team with greater goal difference shall proceed to Final.
- If equal on goal difference, then the team with the greater number of goals scored shall proceed to the Final.
- If the teams are still equal, then a coin shall be tossed by the convenor to determine which team goes into the Final. The team in the left dugout (as seen from the umpire's area looking at the field) shall be "heads" and the team on the right dugout shall be "tails".

6. **Finals**

If teams are equal on completion of normal playing time the following shall occur:

- After a 5 min break, teams shall change ends to commence a 10 minute SUDDEN DEATH (Golden goal) DROP-OFF game played as follows:
 - First 5 minutes only 9 players per team (2 drop-off - leave the field)
 - Second 5 minutes only 7 players per team (2 more drop-off - leave the field)
- If teams are still equal on completion of the SUDDEN DEATH (Golden goal) DROP-OFF, the team highest on the competition table shall proceed to the Grand Final.
- If equal on points the team with greater goal difference shall proceed to Grand Final.
- If equal on goal difference, then the team with the greater number of goals scored shall proceed to the Grand Final.
- If the teams are then still equal, then a coin shall be tossed by the convenor to determine which team goes into the Grand Final. The team in the left dugout (as seen from the umpire's area looking at the field) shall be "heads" and the team on the right dugout shall be "tails".

7. **Grand Final**

If teams are equal on completion of normal playing time the following shall occur:

- After a 5 min break, teams shall change ends to commence a 10 minute SUDDEN DEATH (Golden goal) DROP-OFF game played as follows:
 - First 5 minutes only 9 players per team (2 drop-off - leave the field)
 - Second 5 minutes only 7 players per team (2 more drop-off - leave the field)
- If still a draw after completion of drop-off the teams shall be declared joint premiers.

Section 9 - JUDICIARY AND MISCONDUCT

1. Judiciary procedures and misconduct provisions are to be applied in accordance with the By-laws of SHA Inc. and SJHA.

2. UMPIRE CARDS

Based on Extract from SHA By-laws:

- 1) *An umpire TEMPORARILY suspending a player during a match, shall indicate to the player and (where applicable) the Ground Marshall the duration of the suspension. A temporary suspension shall be limited to a minimum of FIVE minutes and a MAXIMUM of TEN Minutes.*
- 2) *The name of the temporarily suspended player and the duration of the suspension shall be marked on the match card by a numeral alongside the player's name on the Team list.*
- 3) *The accumulation of THREE (3) temporary suspensions within one playing season shall automatically incur a one match suspension. Each additional TWO (2) temporary suspensions shall incur a further one match suspension. Suspensions are to be effective upon notification to the relevant club by the Secretary of S.J.H.A. Such suspension shall disqualify that player from participating in any game to be played in the Round following notification. If the suspension is incurred during a Semi Final victory, (where the Prelim. Round is missed) then the suspension will apply to the Grand Final Round.*

An umpire issuing any card to a player (or spectator) during a match shall note the player's (or spectator's) details such as name, number, team and brief description of misconduct on the match card.

All managers are required to keep a tally of all cards given to players (or spectators) within their team/club.

Section 10 – SPECIAL PROVISIONS

1. A ten (10) team Sydney Wide Under 15 competition will be conducted in 2007. An assessment of the competition will be undertaken towards the end of the season for consideration by the SJHA Committee.
2. There are 5 Club teams from the Central/South Area and 5 Club teams in the North Area.

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