

BY-LAW ARTICLE XIX

Field Hockey

Girls

Sect. 1: Field Hockey shall be administered by the NHIAA Field Hockey Committee and the rules of the National Federation will govern the sport when applicable.

Sect. 2: In order to be considered for tournament play all schools must follow the minimum and maximum number of games as stated in By-Law Article XXXVIII.

Sect. 3: Divisional Alignment

Field Hockey shall be aligned into three (3) divisions based upon enrollments and petitions subject to the approval of the Classification Committee.

2018-19 Field Hockey Divisional Alignment

DIV. I (1151+)		DIV. II (601-1150)		DIV. III (1-600)	
17 Schools		17 Schools		20 Schools	
Pinkerton	3449	Goffstown	1114	*Con-Val	733
Nashua South	1862	Portsmouth	1078	Lebanon	575
Nashua North	1744	Milford	855	Stevens	548
Exeter	1705	Merrimack Valley	819	Laconia	547
Concord	1661	Hollis/Brookline	806	Kearsarge	541
Man. Central	1510	Pembroke	799	Monadnock	502
Bedford	1498	Oyster River	794	Gilford	491
Londonderry	1496	Souhegan	789	Winnisquam	448
Man. Memorial	1455	Kingswood	783	St. Thomas	432
Keene	1420	Kennett	752	Conant	400
Dover	1336	Hanover	725	Berlin	399
Merrimack	1219	Plymouth	677	Newfound	373
Timberlane	1173	John Stark	669	White Mountains	373
Salem	1170	Bow	661	Newport	356
*Winnacunnet	1078	Pelham	656	Mascoma	343
*Windham	925	Sanborn	646	Bishop Brady	320
*Bishop Guertin	789	*Derryfield	257	Mascenic	312
				Franklin	309
				Hopkinton	288
				Littleton	259

*Petition

Sect. 4: Playing Rules: National Federation Field Hockey Rules will apply. Tie breaking rules of the National Federation will be used in tournament play only; tie games will be permitted in regular season games.

Sect. 5: Tournament Selection

The maximum number of teams allowed per By-Law Article IV: Classification; Sect. 10; Tournament Selection Requirements will qualify for the tournament in each division. (CM 5.2016)

Sect. 6: Tournament Rosters

All tournament teams will be limited to a maximum of 25 players, two (2) managers, and two (2) coaches. This information is also for the tournament programs. Rosters shall be completed via the NHIAA website. If a team is going to make the tournament, a team photo in uniform (no warm-ups and no mascots allowed) must be submitted with a photo lineup. If no photo is received a logo will be supplemented.

Sect. 7: Tournament officials will be selected in accordance with By-Law Article I, Sect. 15.

Sect. 8: Protests of games must follow By-Law Article VII: Protest Procedure for All Sports.

Sect. 9: Selection of Tournament Sites

The preliminary and quarterfinal round games will be played at the site of the higher seeded team. The semifinal and championship games will be played at a site selected by the NHIAA Field Hockey Committee.

Sect. 10: Awards

Official NHIAA championship and runner-up plaques, in addition to 29 team medals, will be awarded to the respective champion and runner-up teams in each division.

Sect. 11: No field hockey player may play more than three (3) halves per day. Entering play in a half constitutes a full half of play.

Sect. 12: In order to be considered for post-season tournament play, each school must play at least fifty percent (50%) of its games with New Hampshire schools.

Sect. 13: Sub-varsity games will be 25 minute halves unless a shorter time is agreed upon by both schools involved. See Policy and Procedures Manual for further clarification.

Sect. 14: Sportsmanship

The National Federation Field Hockey Committee has established the following procedures for dealing with unruly spectators:

- A. First Offense: Official suspends game on the first dead ball situation and requests appropriate coach or site management to resolve the situation. Once the coach or site management has been made aware of the situation, play shall resume.
- B. Second Offense: Official suspends game on the first dead ball situation and requests the appropriate coach or site management to remove the offending spectator (s) from the venue. Play shall resume upon removal of offending spectator.
- C. Third Offense: The team of the offending spectator(s) shall forfeit the game.

Sect. 15: Overtime Procedures for Regular Season Play

The overtime procedures are located in the Field Hockey Policies and Procedures Manual.