



KAPITI SUMMER 6 HOCKEY

RULES

FIH RULES OF HOCKEY APPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING CLARIFICATIONS AND ADDITIONS:

1. Six (6) players per team are permitted on the field at any one time.
2. In mixed grades, there must be a minimum of 2 females on the field at all times. (It is recommended that teams register a minimum of 3 females)
3. Games will be played on a half field. A barrier will be placed between fields.
4. Matches consist of two 12 minute halves, with a two minute break at half-time.
5. Games will start and finish on the horn.
6. A goal is scored when the ball is played completely over the goal-line and under the cross-bar. A goal may only be scored from within the circle - this is marked by the blue dotted lines.
7. There are no penalty corners in the game of Hockey 6's. Instead free hits are taken from outside the 11 metre area as marked on the pitch.
8. Penalty Goal. When, in the umpires opinion, a certain goal has been prevented by a deliberate action of a defender, a penalty goal will be awarded.
9. No Hitting - Players must have their hands apart (approx. 25cm) to sweep, slap or push the ball. The stick should start on the turf with a short follow through due to hands being apart. Sticks are not to be raised or used in a dangerous manner, including lifting them over the heads of other players. In all cases the decision of the umpire is FINAL.
10. The ball must not be raised above the knee; it must also be a controlled lift. .
0. The ball may not be deliberately kicked. In many cases, when the ball touches a foot there is no infringement. Only when a clear advantage has been gained should the offending player be penalised. Deliberate kicking of the ball will be penalised.

BEHAVIOUR OF PLAYERS

1. Safety of all players is paramount and no dangerous play will be tolerated.
2. Males who intimidate female players or Adults who intimidate Juniors, in any way, will be penalised by a minimum of a 1 minute suspension (green card).
3. Repeat offenders will be suspended from play for a minimum of a 2 minute suspension (yellow card).
4. Swearing on the field will not be tolerated and will be penalised by a minimum 1 minute suspension (green card)
5. Abuse and harassment of umpires will not be tolerated and will be penalised by a minimum of a 2 minute suspension (yellow card).
6. Persistent offenders will be ordered off the field (red card) and receive an automatic suspension for one match.

THE ON-FIELD UMPIRE'S RULING IS FINAL