



OHA CLUB HANDBOOK 2018

The General Manager publishes this Competition Handbook and the rules and regulations contained within it under the authority of By-law 3(c) of the By-laws of Otago Hockey Association (1990) Inc.

This Handbook aims to be a guide for Club Players and Officials, however it is not a comprehensive list of all rules and regulations. This Handbook should be read in combination with the Rules and By-laws of Otago Hockey Association (1990) Inc, the Otago Hockey Association Code of Conduct 2015 and the FIH Rules of Hockey 2015.

Please read this Handbook fully, there are changes from year to year.

By taking the field in any Otago Hockey Association (1990) Inc Club Competition match, players, whether registered or not, agree to be bound by these rules and regulations.

Failure to comply with these rules and regulations may lead to your Club being penalised, as authorised by By-law 7(a) of the By-laws of Otago Hockey Association (1990) Inc.

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A. COMPETITION

1. Season Dates and Calendar

- Team Entries Close: Wednesday 21st March 2018.
- Club Competition Starts: Saturday 7th April – Sunday 12th August 2018 (17 weeks)
- Otago Hockey AGM: 4th April 2018 (7pm at the McMillan Turf)

The calendar of upcoming dates can be found on the OHA website (www.oha.org.nz)

2. Competition Management

The Club Competition will be managed by the OHA and in consultation with a Match Committee, (comprising of club delegates), will make decisions regarding the Competition delegated to them by the By-laws and this Handbook.

The OHA shall chair the Match Committee.

Every club must nominate **one club** delegate to serve on the Match Committee at the time of team entries.

A member of Match Committee shall not take part in any decision regarding their Club.

Any club who fails to provide a Match Committee representative will be ineligible to have a voice or a vote at the Club Delegate meetings.

A Judicial committee consisting of 2 OHA board members, the umpires chair and an independent member will adjudicate on any cases of player punishments. Any member reaching 12 points will be required to have a hearing with the judicial committee.

3. Club Delegates and Season Debrief Meetings

Each club must submit up to 2x club delegates (1 of whom will be part of the Match Committee as above) who will represent and vote on behalf of their club at meetings.

The OHA will **NOT** accept any complaints from individual members, all complaints must come through the appointed club delegates.

Club Delegate Meetings

Meetings are scheduled for:

Tuesday 13 th Feb 2018 at 6pm
Monday 19 th Mar 2018 at 6pm
Wednesday 15 th Aug 2018 at 6pm

Please note: Club delegates must attend the meetings as minutes may not be available and situations may arise in which suggestions and recommendations are put to a vote.

The Club Competition Season Debrief will be held at the conclusion of Club Competition – Wednesday 15th August 2018 at 6pm. This is assuming a snow week is not required.

4. Club Open Day: (24th February)

An opportunity for clubs to recruit and register players for the new season. OHA will run a hockey 5's competition....

5. Toast Cup: (24th-25th March)

Friendly, pre-season weekend, open to all *club* teams, the format will be determined by the number of entries.

Entries close: 17th March

Cost: \$20 per team per game

6. Competition Format 2018- NEW

The Club Competition will consist initially of three divisions (sizes are dependent on entries)

- **Premier Division** (6 or 8 teams)
- **Division 2** (6+ teams)
- **Division 3** (6+ teams)

Men's Competition Format

Premier Men's (5 teams)

Week 1-10: Round 1, 2 (round robin) plus 1 extra midweek game into round 3

Week 11/12: Hockey 5's

Week 13-16: Remaining round 3 ***

Week 17: Straight into finals 1v2, 3v4

***Points carry through from Round 1 & 2

PLEASE NOTE: There will be a bye each week

Division 2 (8 teams)

Week 1-10: Round 1 and part of 2 (round robin)

Week 11/12: Hockey 5's

Week 13-16: Remaining round 2

Week 17: Straight into finals 1v2, 3v4, 5v6, 7v8

***Points carry through from Round 1 & 2

Division 3 Men (6 teams)

Week 1-10: Round 1, 2 (round robin) plus 1 extra midweek game into round 3

Week 11/12: Hockey 5's

Week 13-16: Remaining round 3 ***

Week 17: Straight into finals 1v2, 3v4, 5v6

*** Points carry through from Round 1 & 2

Women's Competition Format

Premier Women's (6 teams)

Week 1-10: Round 1, 2 (round robin) plus 1 extra midweek game into round 3

Week 11/12: Hockey 5's

Week 13-16: Remaining round 3 ***

Week 17: Straight into finals 1v2, 3v4, 5v6

***Points carry through from Round 1 & 2

Division 2 Women (10 teams)

Week 1-9: Round 1 (round robin)

Week 10: Split top 6/ bottom 4. Top 6 have 1 round robin, bottom 4 have 2 more rounds***

Week 11/12: Hockey 5's

Week 13-16: Top 6 complete round robin***

Week 13-17: Bottom 4 complete 2 round robins***

Week 17: Top 6 Straight into final where 1v2, 3v4, 5v6

*** Points carry through

Division 3 Women (8 teams)

Week 1-10 - Round 1 and part of 2 (round robin)

Week 11/12: Hockey 5's

Week 13-16: Remaining round 2***

Week 17: Straight into finals 1v2, 3v4, 5v6, 7v8

***Points carried through

7. Challenge Shield

Teams in Premier Division will compete for a Men's and Women's Challenge Shield throughout regular Club Competition play. Please refer to Appendix 4.

8. Rules

All Divisions of the Club Competition will be played under the FIH Rules of Hockey 2015. All players and officials should read the changes to the Rules, found in Appendix 2 of this Handbook.

9. Competition Fixtures

All club competition matches will be allocated a 90-minute time slot. These slots include time for two 35minute halves, a 5minute half time, 5minutes injury time and 10minutes between matches to allow watering of turf and warm up.

The umpires and their watches control match times. Teams must be on the field and ready to start at the time specified on the Match Card.

Any warm-up time on the turf will be reliant on the previous matches starting and finishing on time. It is for this reason that all teams and umpires must make an effort to keep matches on time. An extra 5-10 minutes will be allowed for **Premier 1 Division** matches to allow for Penalty Shoot-outs for deciding draws.

i) Club Competition Days:

- Saturday:** Division 2 Women
Premier Women
Premier Men
Division 2 Men
- Sunday:** Division 3 Men
Division 3 Women

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Saturday		Sunday	
Pavilion	Far	Pavilion	Far
	9.00am		
9.15am			
	10.30am		
10.45am			
	12.00pm		
12.15pm			
	1.30pm	1.15pm	1:00pm
1.45pm			2.30pm
	3.00pm	2.45pm	
3.15pm			4.00pm
	4.30pm	4.15pm	
4.45pm			5.30pm
	6.00pm	5.45pm	
6.15pm			

Match Times: NB- depending on entries extra match times could be added.

Note: This table is a guide only. Matches will be allocated to time slots at the discretion of the OHA. Match times may change from time to time due to changes in division entries or other hockey commitments of the Association.

Matches affected by bad weather shall be dealt with under the OHA Bad Weather Policy.

10. Promotion and Relegation

In order to clarify relegation and promotion issues a new system will be instigated. In this system only, the teams finishing 1st and 2nd (final winner and loser) in the second division and the team finishing 2nd last and last in the first division are considered for promotion/relegation. In this system the team finishing last in the first division/prem is considered to be in the 'automatic relegation' place and the team finishing 2nd last in the 'conditional relegation' place. Similarly, the team finishing 1st in Div. 2 will be in the 'automatic promotion' place and team finishing 2nd in Div. 2 will be in the 'conditional promotion' place. This means that if the team finishing first in Division 2 wishes to be promoted to the Premier Division they will automatically take the place of the last place team and the teams in the conditional promotion/relegation spots will play off during the finals for the right to be in the premier division. However, if the team in the automatic promotion spot does NOT wish to be promoted, the team in the conditional promotion spot will play off against the last placed team in the Premier division for promotion and the team finishing 2nd last will remain in the premier division. If neither team wishes promotion, then both relegation candidates remain in the Premier division.

Decisions on promotion/relegation will be made and communicated to the OHA by finals day. Play-off matches, should they be required will take place in the week following finals day.

11. Win/loss format

All matches in Premier 1 Division must have a result. Matches ending in a draw shall be decided by a three-person shoot-out.

Round robin matches ending in a draw in all other divisions shall stay as a draw.

Quarter-finals and semi-finals in all divisions shall be decided with a three-person penalty shoot-out if the score is drawn at fulltime.

If the score is drawn at fulltime in a final, the following regulations shall apply:

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| Division 3: | A five-person Penalty Shoot-out shall decide the winner. |
| Division 2: | A five-person Penalty Shoot-out shall decide the winner. |
| Premier 2: | A five-person Penalty Shoot-out shall decide the winner. |
| Premier 1: | Five minutes of golden-goal overtime, with teams reduced to 9-a-side;
Five minutes of golden-goal overtime, with teams reduced to 7-a-side;
If still no result, a five-person Penalty Shoot-out shall decide the winner. |

12. Competition Points

Competition points shall be awarded as follows:

Premier 1 Division

Win	4 points
Penalty shoot-out win	2 points
Penalty shoot-out loss	1 point
Outright Loss	0 points
Default	- refer to section

All other Divisions

Win	3 points
Score draw	2 points
Scoreless draw	1 point
Loss	0 points
Default	0 points

13. Hockey 5'S Competition

Concept

Hockey 5's will be a 40 minute, 1/3 turf competition (3x 10 min spells with 3mins rest between). It is separate to the winter league and will run across the University break (Over the weekends of the 23rd/24th June and the 30th June/1st July)

Structure

Clubs will enter teams in each of the regular winter league divisions. The structure of the competition is dependent on the number of entries. It may be a point- based competition, with the team on most points at the end of all rounds taking out the trophy, or it could have a semi-final and final structure. This will be decided once all entries are in.

Registrations

Registrations will be done through the EventDesq system and will have a cutoff date of Monday 11th June.

B. Players and Teams

OHA will use the One Sport Technology (OST) database (previously known as IMG EventDesq system) for Clubs to register teams for the 2018 season. Clubs will be required to enter team names, which division they are entered in, a contact person, the details of the Club's Executive and a Match Committee nominee. All teams must be graded as "A", "B", "C" etc.

Teams entering the Club Competition agree to pay the fees and levies set out in **Appendix 1**.

14. Player Registrations

All Club players **MUST** be registered via the SportsTG system. Clubs will be invited to attend OST training on the 19th March at the McMillan Hockey Centre.

If a Club, without reasonable excuse, fields a player who has not registered via the SportsTG system, the OHA *may* fine that Club up to \$50.00 per offending player and/or deem the offending team to have defaulted the match 5-0.

A Club becomes liable to pay OHA the Hockey NZ Affiliation Fee when a player has taken the field 3 times for that Club.

15. Player Transfers

A player shall not play for more than one Club at one time. Players may play in both a school and a club competition.

A player who has previously been registered to a hockey club (“the Old Club”), and wishes to register with a “New Club”, must be transferred from the Old Club to the New Club, in the following format, before taking the field for the New Club:

- Between two Otago Clubs, the transfer is via the SportsTG system
- Between clubs in different Associations, the transfer is via the SportsTG system

When a player has already played for the Old Club in the current season, the player may not take the field in a match for a period of 14 days *from the date the transfer request is lodged*.

A Club is entitled to refuse a request only if a player is unfinancial with them. Old Clubs should not unreasonably delay responding to a transfer request; they should either approve it or inform the New Club that the player is unfinancial, so that the Unfinancial Player process can take effect.

If a Club, without reasonable excuse, fields a player who has not properly transferred via the OST system, the OHA *may* fine that Club up to \$50.00 per offending player and/or deem the offending team to have defaulted the match 5-0.

16. Unfinancial Player Process

A club, school or Association declares a player unfinancial if they have failed to pay fees or return equipment. Players cannot take part in any hockey activity (including playing, umpiring or coaching) in New Zealand until the unfinancial status is withdrawn. It should be respected as one of the only effective ways of ensuring players pay their debts.

Please strictly follow the unfinancial Player Process found in **By-laws 9(f) – 9(j)**, beginning with informing the General Manager. OHA will not intervene in a dispute, but will attempt to assist those involved come to an amicable solution.

If a Club, knowingly and without reasonable excuse, fields a player who has been declared unfinancial by any other organisation, the OHA *may* fine that Club up to \$50.00 per offending player and/or deem the offending team to have defaulted the match 5-0.

17. Team Members

When a player registers through the SportsTG system, a Club Official needs to assign the player to a team.

If the Club fails to assign the player to a team, the OHA will assign the player to the team they first played for (unless otherwise advised by the Club).

Each team in the Club Competition must have a minimum of 13 players assigned to it.

Each team in the Club Competition may have a maximum of 18 players assigned to it. The lowest graded team of each gender in each club has no maximum number of players.

If a Club, without reasonable excuse, causes less than 13 or more than 18 players to be assigned to a team, the OHA *may* fine that Club up to \$100.00 per match the team takes part in with too many or too few players, and/or deem the offending team to have defaulted each of those matches 5-0.

Only 16 players may take the field for a team in any match.

If an umpire finds that a team has fielded more than 16 players in a match, the OHA **shall** deem the offending team to have defaulted the match 5-0 and *may also* fine that Club up to \$100.00.

All teams must have a nominated captain on the field, designated by an arm band. Umpires must police and enforce this regulation.

18. Player Grading, Regrading & De-registrations

When a Club Official assigns a player to a team, that player is deemed to be graded to that team.

E.g. Jenny is assigned to the Leith Valley Llamas, Leith Valley's B Women's team in the Division 3 Women's competition. Jenny is a 'B' graded player for Leith Valley.

A Club delegate may request to *regrade* a player at any time by writing to the OHA, providing that the regrade does not cause either team to have too many or too few players assigned to it. *Regrades down* will be approved by the match committee under valid circumstances only.

E.g. Jenny's club regrades her to the A Women's team in the Division 2 Competition because they need an extra striker. Jenny is now an 'A' graded player for Leith Valley.

E.g. Leith Valley requests that Match Committee regrade Jenny to the B Women's team in Division 3, as Jenny now works on Saturdays.

A Club delegate may deregister a player from a club entirely with written permission from the Match Committee. The player must have a season-ending injury, be moving away, have failed to pay Club fees, or have some other change of circumstances meaning the player can or should no longer take part in hockey in Otago.

E.g. Leith Valley requests that Match Committee deregister Jenny from the Leith Llamas, as she is moving to Auckland for a new job.

19. Floating Players

Floating players (referred to as “floaters”) may ‘float up’ from their regular team to fill a gap in a higher graded team when required.

Team captains must record an “(F)” next to the floating players name on the score card to show that the player is floating up.

Each team may only use floaters a set number of times.

< 18 players	- up to 30 ‘floats’
18 players	- No floaters

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Each time a lower graded player takes the field for a higher team, without having requested a regrade UP, it counts as one use of a floater for the higher graded team.

It is the Club delegates/team managements responsibility to keep track of the number of floaters used. Clubs shall not be entitled to ask OHA for calculations at short notice.

OHA *may* impose a fine of up to \$100.00 and default any match if teams abuse the use of floaters rules.

E.g. The Leith Valley Llamas are a ‘B’ team with 16 assigned players. They use players from their ‘C’ and ‘D’ teams throughout the season to make up numbers. After Week 14 of the competition they have used floaters 28 times. In Week 15 they use 3 ‘C’ team players in their team. This means that the Leith Valley Llamas have used floaters 31 times, putting them over their limit of 30 floating games. The Leith Valley Llamas default Week 15’s match.

When a Club regrades a player into a team, that team is then only entitled to use floaters the number of times that the *new number* of players entitles them. If the team has already used floaters more times than this, the regrade cannot be allowed.

E.g. The Leith Valley ‘A’ Men’s team has 17 players. Merv wants to be regraded UP from the Leith Valley ‘B’ team. The ‘A’ team would now NOT be entitled to use floating players because The Leith Valley ‘A’ Men’s team now have 18 players.

Honest mistakes, by not writing an extra player’s name on the Match Card or not placing an “(F)” next to their name *may* be dealt with by the OHA as a Match Card Infringement, however, if the OHA believes that by their conduct the Club has attempted to deliberately mislead OHA, the OHA *may* fine the Club up to \$100.00.

A player may not play for a **lower** graded team without a regrade or in accordance with the Goalkeeper Rule below.

If a Club fields a player for a **lower** graded team without a regrade, the OHA **shall** deem the offending team to have defaulted the match 5-0 and *may* fine that Club up to \$50.00 per offending player.

20. Goalkeeper Rule

A goalkeeper may be registered in a lower graded team as a field player or a field player may be registered in a lower graded team as a *goalkeeper* and may NOT play in the field at any time.

Club delegates must inform the OHA if this is happening. The player is counted as a member of both teams for the purposes of team numbers.

This rule does not prevent a usual field player from playing as a goalkeeper for his or her own team when necessary.

OHA has the right to disallow a player from continuing to play in the lower graded team if there is suspected abuse of this rule.

21. Eligibility for Finals

Failure of a Club to pay any fees, levies, penalties or fines by the due date may lead to the General Manager declaring that the Club's teams are ineligible for finals.

A player is only eligible to play for a team in a Club Competition final if that player has taken the field for that specific team at least 5 times before in the Club Competition. Applications to Match Committee to waive this regulation will only be granted in extraordinary circumstances.

C. Match Day Regulations

22. Uniforms

All clubs are required to submit uniforms to the OHA for approval. This should be done BEFORE Clubs order a new uniform. Taking the field in an unapproved uniform may cause the OHA to deem a match to be defaulted 5-0 and/or fine a Club up to \$100.00.

All players in a team are required to wear a clearly numbered uniform of the same colour. A player in a different colour shall not take the field without the opposition captain and both umpires' approval.

A player without a number (other than goalkeepers) may not take the field.

Failure of teams to have clearly numbered uniforms of the same colour may be noted by the umpires on the Match Card. Repeated failures may cause the OHA to fine a Club up to \$50.00 per infringing player.

All captains are required to wear a captain's band on their arm or sock. This should be passed to a different player any time the captain leaves the field.

23. Match Balls- **NEW**

All teams must supply the umpires with a Kookaburra Elite Mk2 match ball before the start of a Premier match. Standard Kookaburra dimple balls will be accepted for lower grade games, however Kookaburra Elite Mk2 balls are the preferred option. The OHA may fine clubs up to \$50.00 for repeatedly failing to provide a suitable ball.

24. Match Cards, Results and Protests

Game day match cards will be placed upstairs in the pavilion.

Before the match team captains or management should check that:

- All players are in correct coloured and numbered uniforms.
- That the players' names and numbers are recorded correctly on the Match Card.
- That no more than 16 players are on the Match Card

It is **always** the responsibility of the team captain to ensure all details on the Match Card are correct before signing it at the end of the match. A signed Match Card constitutes the correct and final score and an acceptance of the accuracy of all details on the Match Card.

After the match team captains should always check that:

- Goals are allocated to the correct players.
- Personal penalty cards/points are allocated to the correct players.
- The final score is recorded correctly.

Failing to ensure team details are correct may lead to Clubs being **fined** up to \$50.00 per infringement by the OHA.

If a captain disagrees with the details on a Match Card, the captain should write "UNDER PROTEST" in the area for signature, initial it, then complete the **Protests** procedures found in the **Code of Conduct** (which requires written notice of the Protest to the OHA within 24 hours).

The umpires should ensure both team captains have a chance to review and sign the Match Card, and must return the Match Card to the Turf Bar. Once the Match Card has been returned to the turf bar, it shall be placed in a locked box and cannot be retrieved or viewed by any persons other than OHA staff.

Results sheets for each division will be available from the OHA website. If you consider any results to be incorrect, please notify the OHA by email so we can review the Match Card.

25. Club Umpiring Duties

Umpires will be appointed by the Umpires committee to all matches. Clubs will be required to fulfil umpiring duties which will be noted on the draw when it is confirmed and released.

Clubs failing to fulfil umpiring duties shall:

- i)* Be fined \$50.00 per umpire for the first failure and
- ii)* Be fined \$100.00 for each subsequent failure.

26. Player/bench/Supporter Conduct

Participants, officials and spectators are bound by the OHA code of conduct and shall at all times conduct themselves fairly and in a proper manner, including maintaining a high standard of conduct so as not to prejudice the interests of hockey or bring themselves, the game or the association into disrepute. (refer to the OHA code of conduct section 5-standards of conduct) Any breaches by

players, officials and supporters will be dealt with by the OHA and/or the Judicial committee who may fine the club in question up to \$100, require a written apology and/or deduct up to 3 competition points from the team.

27. Umpire Abuse

Only one player per team may approach the umpires before, during or after matches. Abuse of our volunteer umpires is unacceptable. Umpires awarding a card for abusive conduct or dissent, or whom experiences abusive conduct or dissent upon awarding a card for another offence may indicate on the Match Card that abuse occurred or communicate it to the General Manager.

A player or team cited for abuse may be called to appear in front of the General Manager to explain him or herself.

Failure to correct their conduct may lead to further consequences including referring a player to the Judicial Committee, or in the case of a team, the General Manager may fine a Club up to \$100.00, require a written apology, and/or deduct up to 3 competition points from the team.

28. Deferrals

The OHA will consider deferral applications through a transparent process. Any team applying for a deferral must have **a minimum of 5** of its registered players unavailable due to other hockey commitments or extraordinary circumstances.

A club wishing to defer a match must apply by email to the OHA (competitions@oha.org.nz) as early as possible, but no later than **14 days prior** to the proposed original match date.

If successful, the teams shall be presented with three alternative match dates and time. The teams shall rank these in their order of preference and then the OHA will notify both teams of the new match date and time.

Communication between parties is encouraged.

29. Defaults

Teams must advise the OHA by email **at least 48 hours prior** to the match's advertised start time of both their intention to default, and their reasons for the default. Teams failing to do so will be fined the sum of \$100.00. A defaulting team shall be deemed to have lost the match by 5-0.

Defaults are unacceptable in Premier Division matches. A Premier team that defaults will lose the ability to accumulate points in that division for the remainder of the season.

Any team forfeiting two matches in succession, or three during a season, will be deemed to have withdrawn from the competition.

Teams that do not take the field or cannot field **at least 7 registered players within 10 minutes** of the advertised start time, without reasonable explanation acceptable to Match Committee will be considered to have defaulted the match. This late default will be subject to the above stated late default penalties.

30. The Draw

A **confirmed** club draw will be created in advance and issued to clubs via **email** to club contacts by 5:00pm Monday for the coming weekend. The draws will also be available on the **OHA website** at www.oha.org.nz and published in **Thursday's Otago Daily Times** the week of the competition.

We ask you to consider the online draw as the definitively correct version as the Otago Daily Times has had misprints in the past.

Teams to play each other in the Round One draw of the 2018 Club Competition will be selected at random

OHA reserves the right to make changes to any published draw if necessary.

31. First Aid/injury Policy

All teams must make themselves aware of the OHA first aid policy and sign the appropriate disclaimer.

All major incidents must be reported to an OHA representative or if none are on site or contactable, in writing as soon as possible. Incident report forms are available from OHA offices.

On field management of injuries, including time stoppages is at the discretion of the umpire and in accordance with the rules.

Head injuries are dealt with according to the ACC head injury policy and players with a suspected head injury will be stood down until a medical certificate clearing the player to play is produced.

32. Disciplinary Actions

Players must abide by the player code of conduct at all times. On-field punishments are at the discretion of the umpires and subsequent disciplinary action will be dealt with on a cumulative points basis based on awarding of coloured cards.

Appendix 1

Fees and Levies

Registration Fees (Subscription):

The team entry fee is **\$ 950.00 incl GST per team** plus an additional **\$56.10 incl GST per player** Hockey New Zealand Affiliation fee. An affiliated player is one who has played **three matches** in one season for a club.

The team entry fee will be invoiced to clubs once team entries have been confirmed.

The **initial** HNZ Affiliation fee invoice for **14 players per team** will be sent to Clubs at the beginning of the season. Once final playing numbers are confirmed, **teams will be invoiced for extra players above the initial 14.**

Match Fees:

This fee will be \$ 101.25 per team per match for the 2018 season. This can be broken down as 14 players @ \$ 7.23 per player.

The payments of the match fees are required as per schedule below. A 10% penalty will be incurred if not paid by due dates.

Match Fees Payment Schedule: - individual invoices will be sent to clubs.

Due 30 th April	20%
Due 31 st May	20%
Due 30 th June	20%
Due 31 st July	20%
Due 31 st August	Final 20% plus or minus adjustments.

Turf Replacement Levy:

This levy will be invoiced out at **\$10.00 incl. GST per player** registered to all affiliated clubs with the registration fee. This will be capped at 14 players at a total of \$140 per team.

Upon payment, OHA will separate out the levy from the other fees and hold it in a separate bank account with the sole purpose of replacing and upgrading facilities at the McMillan Hockey Centre.

Southern Levy:

This levy will be invoiced out at **\$6.00 incl. GST per player** registered to all affiliated clubs with the registration fee. This will be capped at 14 players at a total of \$84 per team.

Upon payment, OHA will separate out the levy from the other fees and transfer the money to Southern Hockey Inc with the sole purpose funding Regional Hockey programs.

Failure to pay

Failure of a Club to pay any fees, levies, penalties or fines by the due date may lead to the General Manager 'Financially Suspending' the Club, in accordance with the By-laws. The consequences of Financial Suspension can include: being ineligible to accumulate competition points, being ineligible for finals, being withdrawn from the competition, and/or being ineligible to vote or speak at any meeting. In addition to this, individual players from that club may be made unfinancial and ineligible to play hockey within New Zealand.

2018 Turf Hire Charges:

	Full Turf	Half Turf
Weekdays 7:00am to 5:00pm	\$95.00	\$60.00
Weekends 7:00am to 5:00pm	\$120.00	\$75.00
Nights 5:00pm to 10:00pm	\$135.00	\$85.00

All prices include GST

Effective: 1st January 2018 - 31st December 2018

Charges for turf hire (e.g. practices) will be invoiced to clubs monthly with payment due 20th of the month following invoice date.

The training schedule will be released in February 2018. The OHA will allocate turf time with reference to previous year's allocations.

All clubs will be issued with their own unique login for the turf booking system and are expected to manage their own turf booking after the initial allocation.

Clubs must cancel any unwanted turf bookings at least 48 hours in advance, or they may be liable for the full cost of turf hire.

Please note, as per our Dunedin City Council Resource Consent, turf lights will be switched off at 10pm. It is the team's responsibility to vacate the turf promptly at this time.

Appendix 2

Ranking Teams with Equal Points

If at the end of a round robin two or more teams have an equal number of points for any place these teams will be ranked according to the following criteria:

- a) Their respective number of matches won outright at the end of regulation time
- b) Their respective number of matches won by penalty shoot-out
- c) Respective goal difference (which means 'goals for' less 'goals against')
- d) Number of goals for
- e) If there is still equality between the remaining teams then a 5-player penalty shoot-out competition will take place to determine final rankings.

Appendix 3

Penalty Shoot Out (PSO) Competition Procedure

For Premier 1 Division round robin matches, ¼ finals and semi-finals, each team takes three shoot outs. For finals and determining placing each team takes five shoot outs.

- A) Respective team captains nominate 3 players to take and one player to defend the shoot-outs from those on the match card except as excluded below. A player nominated to defend the shoot outs can also be nominated to take a shoot-out. No substitutions/replacements are permitted during the shoot-out competition, other than as specified below.
- B) A player suspended at the time of the shoot out or who has been excluded permanently (red card) during the match may not take part. A player who has been warned (green card) or temporarily suspended (yellow card) may take part even if the period of their suspension has not been completed at the end of the match.
- C) The umpires shall specify the goal to be used in advance.
- D) The umpires will specify in advance the method of timing.
- E) A coin toss will determine which team will defend or take the first shoot out.
- F) All players on the match card other than those excluded permanently (red carded) are permitted to enter the field of play outside the 23m area used for the PSO but must be at least 10m from the spot where the ball is placed at the start of the shoot-out.
- G) The Gk/defender of the team taking the shoot-out may stand behind the back-line outside the circle.
- H) A player taking or defending the shoot-out may enter the 23m area for that purpose.
- I) If a player taking a shoot-out is also defending the shoot-outs taken by opponents, (s)he is allowed reasonable time to take off/put on his/her protective equipment.
- J) 3 players from each team take a shoot-out alternating against the Gk/defender making a total of 6 shoot outs.

- K) Taking a shoot-out:
- i) The GK/defending player starts behind the goal line between the goal posts.
 - ii) The ball is placed on the nearest 23m line opposite the centre of the goal;
 - iii) An attacker stands outside the 23m area near the ball;
 - iv) The umpire blows the whistle to signal the start of the shoot-out, the attacker and the GK/defender may then move in any direction.
 - v) The shoot-out is completed when
 - 8 secs has elapsed since the starting signal
 - A goal is scored
 - The attacker commits an offence
 - The Gk/defending player commits an unintentional offence inside or outside the circle in which case the shoot-out is re-taken by the same player against the same Gk/defending player;
 - The Gk/defending player commits an intentional offence inside or outside the circle, in which case a penalty stroke is awarded and taken;
 - The ball goes out of play over the back-line or side-line, this includes the GK/defending player intentionally playing the ball over the back-line.
- L) If a penalty stroke (PS) is awarded as specified above, it is taken by the two players involved in the shoot-out concerned unless either of them is incapacitated or suspended.
- M) The team scoring the most goals is the winner and the competition ceases once an outright winner is determined.
- N) A player may be suspended by a yellow or red card but not by a green card during the shootout.
- O) If during a shoot-out competition (including during any penalty stroke which is awarded) a player (either an attacker or a gk/defender) is suspended.
- (i) That player takes no further part in that shoot out competition and, unless a gk/defender cannot be replaced.
 - i) The replacement for a suspended goalkeeper/defending player can only come from the three players of that team nominated to take part in the shoot-out competition:
 - (1) the replacement goalkeeper/defending player is allowed reasonable time to put on protective equipment similar to that which the goalkeeper/defending player (s)he is replacing was wearing;
 - (2) for taking his/her own shoot-out, this player is allowed reasonable time to take off his/her protective equipment to take his/her shoot-out and subsequently to put it on again;
 - ii) any shoot-out (or penalty stroke) due to be taken by a suspended player counts as no goal; the shoot-outs taken by this player and scored before being suspended count as a goal.
- P) If during a shoot-out competition, a defending goalkeeper/defending player is incapacitated;
- i. that goalkeeper/defending player may be replaced by another player from among the players listed on the Match Card for that particular match, except as excluded in clause (b) of this Appendix or unless suspended by an umpire during the shoot-out competition;
 - ii. the replacement goalkeeper;
 1. is allowed reasonable time to put on protective equipment similar to that which the incapacitated goalkeeper / defending player was wearing;
 2. if this replacement is also nominated to take a shoot-out, this player is allowed reasonable time to take off his protective

equipment to take his shoot-out and subsequently to put it on again.

- Q) If during a shoot-out competition, an attacker is incapacitated, another player from among the players listed on the Match Card for that particular match may replace that attacker, except as excluded above in clause (b) or unless suspended by an umpire during the shoot-out competition.
- R) If an equal number of goals are scored after each team has taken three shoot-outs;
- i. a second series of three sudden death shoot-outs is taken with the same players, subject to the conditions specified in this Appendix;
 - ii. the sequence in which the attackers take the shoot-outs need not be the same as in the first series;
 - iii. the team whose player took the first penalty shoot-out in a series defends the first penalty shoot-out of the next series;
 - iv. when one team has scored or been awarded one more goal than the opposing team after each team has taken the same number of shoot-outs, not necessarily being all three shoot-outs, that team is the winner.
- S) If an equal number of goals are scored or awarded after a second series of three shoot-outs, additional series of shoot-outs are taken with the same players subject to the conditions specified in this Appendix:
- i. the sequence in which the attackers take the shoot-outs need not be the same in any subsequent series;
 - ii. the team which starts each shoot-out series alternates for each series.

Appendix 4

Rules for the Challenge Shield

The Challenge Shield competition was established by OHA in 2013 to encourage competition and add excitement to the regular Club Competition. The Men's and Women's shields will be competed for **every week** during the competition. A Challenge Shield match will be noted on the draw.

1) The Challenge Shield may only be won by a challenger from its defender:

- a) By a Club entered in the OHA Club Competition;
- b) In a match of the regular Club season in the usual allocated time-slot;
 - i) This does not include quarter-finals, semi-finals or finals;
 - ii) This does not include matches deferred by Match Committee or bad weather;
- c) By an **Outright Win** in regular time;
- d) This does not include wins in extra time, penalty strokes or penalty shoot-out.

2) The Challenge Shield shall:

- a) Be presented to the winning team at the completion of the match;
- b) Remain at the McMillan Hockey Centre at all times;
- c) Be presented to the current holders at Club Competition Prize Giving.

3) In the case of the team holding the Shield:

- a) Being withdrawn from the competition or not re-entering the competition;

- b) Removing the Shield from the McMillan Hockey Centre;
- c) Acting in a disreputable manner not deserving of the Shield at any time;

Any other situation not covered by these rules, the OHA has full discretion to decide who holds the Shield or put it up for challenge in any match.