

**City of El Paso  
Parks & Recreation  
Sports Division  
Adult Hockey Rules**

**I. Introduction**

The City of El Paso Parks & Recreation Department Adult Hockey League will be conducted under the RHA rules, **except in those cases which conflict with the following, at which time the rules stated herein will take precedence.**

**II. Organization**

The sports programming section of the City of El Paso Parks & Recreation will be the governing body for this program. The application, construction and interpretation of these rules and regulations or the eligibility requirements, shall be solely at the discretion of the program director and sports staff to include any changes for the benefit of the program.

**III. Type of Program**

- A. Games will be played on Tuesdays and/ Thursdays at the Nations Tobin Sports Center big rink. More than one game per week will be played **especially during playoffs.**
- B. Teams must make scheduled game or it will be a forfeit. If a team forfeits 3 games for any reason, they will be dropped from the league without a refund.
- C. Seeding for playoffs will be determined by overall win / lost record. Tiebreaker will be determined by:
  1. Head to head
  2. Average point differential
  3. Highest total goals scored throughout the season.

**IV. Entry Fee and League:**

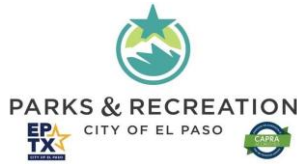
**\$80.00 per player (includes all officials' fees).** Teams will play 9 regular season games plus Double elimination playoffs.

**Refund Policy:** Once a team is posted on the schedule no **refunds** will be issued. Refunds will only be issued when the cause of the program cancellation was initiated by the City.

All players **MUST** purchase a City of El Paso Player ID, be registered in the league, must be 18 years of age or older, and must have signed the participation forms (which include but is not limited to: participation waiver, concussion form, code of conduct, etc.) in order to be considered eligible for participation.

**V. The Game**

- A. Four players are required to start the game (1 goalie and 3 players) or 5 players and no goalie. Max of 10 players per team.
- B. No non-players will be allowed inside the Rink and/or benches during the league time. Non-players **MUST** sit in bleachers area. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- C. The game will consist of two 20-minute periods with running clock, 2-minute intermission, and each team will be allotted one 1-minute timeout at any point during the course of the game. This timeout must be taken during a normal stoppage of play. Only one timeout shall be allowed at any one stoppage of play.
- D. The clock will stop on timeouts, and at the scorekeepers, officials, or site supervisor's discretion.
- E. A game that ends in a **tie** will be decided by the following:
  - a. **Regular Season-** 3-man shoot-out
  - b. **Playoffs-** A 5-minute "sudden death" period will follow regulation. If at the end of the time the score remains tied, a 5-man shoot-out will follow. The visiting team (determined by quickscores) will shoot



first. Any overtime period shall be considered to be part of the game and all un-expired penalties shall remain in force. At the end of the overtime period any player still in the penalty box is not allowed to participate in the shoot-out.

### **VII. Officials**

- A. Officials may explain calls made to **captains only during timeouts.**
- B. Any game official or staff can and will stop the game if deemed necessary for any reason especially for safety purposes.

### **VIII. Captains**

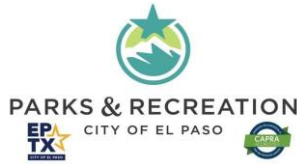
- A. (1) Captain will be selected by team during the mandatory player Meeting. If a Captain is not selected, one will be selected by site supervisor. **No changes will be made once captain is selected.**
- B. Captains are responsible for the maintenance of the facility being used. (No spitting on the court, trash, etc.)
- C. Captains will be held responsible for the actions of their players and team spectators. Everyone is subject to the same penalties as players. Relatives and/or friends of players are to bring up their concerns to the captain and then the captain can speak to our staff only. A **NO TOLERANCE POLICY** will be in place.
- D. **NO TOLERANCE POLICY:** Abuse, harassment, threats, or disrespect toward staff, officials, or other players will not be tolerated under any circumstances. Any violation will result in immediate removal from the premises and may include suspension or permanent expulsion from the league.

### **VIII. Player Eligibility**

- A. **Players must be 18 & older to play.**
- B. **All players must've attended the mandatory pre-season meeting.**
- C. **Players may not play on more than one team.**
- D. An ineligible player is defined as a player that does not meet the following qualifications:
  - 1. Not on the roster
  - 2. Did not sign the roster/ waiver
  - 3. Played on another team in the same league
  - 4. Does not have a valid Player ID
- E. If an ineligible player is discovered, that player will be deemed ineligible for the remainder of the season and playoffs, and the team will receive an automatic forfeit for the game in which the ineligible player was found in.
- F. **Players must have a City of El Paso adult sport ID and bring it to every game. NO ID = NO PLAY, NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- G. Players must play at least **3 regular season games** in order to be eligible to play in playoffs.
- H. **Any player ejected from a game must leave the facility immediately and may not return on the same day. If the player does not leave within 2 minutes, the game will be forfeited and the player will be subject to suspension.**
- I. Code of Conduct and Waiver form must be printed, filled with information, signed, dated, and submitted by the 1<sup>st</sup> game.  
*Teams not turning in their waiver form when due or having ineligible players will have their previous games played forfeited.*

### **Player Meeting/ Draft**

- **Player is aware that signing up as individual player, they will be put into teams via. "Draft Style"**
- **Player will be ranked based on skill and players will be placed in teams to promote a equal playing field.**
- **Player is not allowed to switch teams, once the draft is confirmed, player is to play with their designated team for the entire season. Player can drop but no refund shall be issued.**
- **Teams will be announced during the Mandatory Player Meeting.**
- **Team Captains will be assigned during the Mandatory Player Meeting.**
- **Team Rosters will be uploaded via QuickScores by Site Supervisor and deemed as official.**



- Rosters are limited to 9 players and 1 goalie.

#### **X. Scheduling** ([www.quickscores.com/elpaso](http://www.quickscores.com/elpaso))

- A. Schedules will be available at least 24 hours before the league starts.
- B. Schedules will only be changed due to admin purposes.
- C. **Playoff schedules will not be modified and requests will not be considered.**

#### **XI. Equipment/Uniforms**

- A. Issued Jerseys: Each Player is held responsible for their issued jersey, if lost, stolen or ripped – a \$50 fee will be issued. Player cannot participate in remainder of games or future leagues until payment is made.
- B. Issued Jersey is required to be worn at every game – if player does not have the correct jersey at start of scheduled game they are not allowed to participate for the day.
- C. Issued Jersey is to remain at the facility at all times. Jerseys are to be stored in locker rooms on issued rack.
- D. Game pucks will be provided by the site supervisor.
- E. **Exposed jewelry is not allowed.**
- F. Dressing rooms are reserved for league players only and may be used 15 minutes before and after your scheduled game; all belongings must be removed promptly for the next team. Changing outside of dressing rooms/restrooms is not allowed, and violations will result in captain notification and subject to player suspension.

#### **XII. Protest**

- A. **Protests may be filed by the captain only on player eligibility. No other type of protest will be accepted.** Protests must be filed within 24 hours of scheduled game time along with a \$7.00 administrative fee.
- B. During playoffs/tournaments, protest must be made immediately after the game is over. Decision rendered will be final, no appeals will be accepted.
- C. **Team captains that don't attend the mandatory meeting will not be allowed to protest.**

#### **XIII. Liability**

The City of El Paso assumes no responsibility in case of injuries or accidents to players, officials or spectators. All individuals concerned should carefully examine their personal insurance to ensure they are covered.

#### **XIV. Disciplinary Infractions**

If at any time benches clear during a physical altercation, the entire team is subject to disciplinary action. If members of the team and/or spectators enter the field of play even if to separate/stop the altercation they are subject to penalty.

For all other disciplinary infractions please refer to Administrative Guideline 201

**Questions, concerns and requests send via email to**

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**QR Code to RHA Rules:**

