



# PACIFIC COAST AMATEUR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

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## PACIFIC COAST AMATEUR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION “A” AND “B” PLAYOFF GUIDELINES - 2007-2008 SEASON

### Part 1 - General

1. Please make reference to the 2007-2008 playoff formats for each division and category issued by the respective Managing Director.
2. Playoffs in each division and category shall be supervised by the League Manager or other person designated by the Managing Director.
3. As a general rule, a minimum of 48 hours notice of any playoff game will be given. However, where circumstances are beyond the league's control, teams must be prepared to play whenever requested.
4. Every effort shall be made to start games on time and to avoid delays to best utilize the available icetime.
5. Game starting times shall be as per PCAHA Section G(3).
6. Protests shall be handled according to PCAHA Section K(2). Please note that game protests during playoffs must be in writing on Association letterhead signed by the Association President (or in his/her absence, a Vice-President) and filed with the Managing Director **within 24 hours** of the completion of the game in question.

### Part 2 - “A” and “B” Championship Playoffs

1. All “A” and “B” playoff formats are as outlined in PCAHA Section N, pages 102-106, with the addition of the following exceptions which have been approved by the Executive Committee under Section N(1)(b):
  - (a) Where there are only two (2) teams in a Playoff Grouping, the format for the championship series shall be a Four Point Series. *[Does not apply this season].*
  - (b) Where there are only three (3) teams in a Playoff Grouping, the format for the championship series shall be a Hosted **Double** Round-Robin Series. *[Does not apply this season].*  
Note: In a three (3) team playoff, where travel requirements are such that in the Managing Director's view a non-hosted series would be more suitable the Managing Director is authorized to utilize a non-hosted double round-robin format (each team plays each other team home and away).
2. For the Playoff Grouping (Conference) Championship “Final 4” Hosted Round-Robin series, the following schedules of games will apply:
  - (a) **Schedule of Games (4 teams):** For a four team playoff, the round-robin schedule shall be as follows (“home” team is the first listed):

Game 1 .....	1st vs. 4th	Game 5 .....	3rd vs. 4th
Game 2 .....	2nd vs. 3rd	Game 6 .....	1st vs. 2nd
Game 3 .....	4th vs. 2nd		
Game 4 .....	3rd vs. 1st		

- (b) **Schedule of Games (3 teams):** For a three team playoff, the round-robin schedule shall be as follows ("home" team is the first listed):

Game 1 .....	1st vs. 3rd	Game 4 .....	3rd vs. 1st
Game 2 .....	3rd vs. 2nd	Game 5 .....	2nd vs. 3rd
Game 3 .....	2nd vs. 1st	Game 6 .....	1st vs. 2nd

- (c) The Managing Director shall be authorized to vary the above 4 team and 3 team schedules if the available icetimes provided by the host Association would otherwise require a team to play twice in one day. The Managing Director shall also be authorized to vary the above schedules as may be necessary to accommodate travel requirements of the participating teams.
3. In Juvenile "AAA" and in PeeWee, Bantam, and Midget "AAA" and "B", the Playoff Grouping champion with the highest standing at the BC Hockey Championships shall be declared the overall PCAHA Champion.

### **Part 3 - "A" and "B" Presidents Series**

1. "A" and "B" Presidents Series playoffs are defined as playoffs not leading to qualification for BC Hockey Championships. Presidents Series formats shall, if possible, be round-robin format, based upon available icetimes.
2. Games shall be played on regular (league game) icetimes or the equivalent. G(7)-Note (a) and (b) shall apply.
3. In a round-robin Presidents Series, the winner will be decided by the final standings determined according to Section M. The Sportsmanship Point shall apply.
4. No overtime shall be played in any round-robin game.

**If you have any questions, please contact your League Manager or Managing Director.**