



FVW "C" League: Atom – Midget Summary of Important Rules and Regulations 2012-13

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FRASER VALLEY WEST "C" LEAGUE
SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT RULES AND REGULATIONS
(ATOM-MIDGET DIVISIONS)
2012-2013 SEASON

1. Introduction:

Fraser Valley West "C" League is one of the PCAHA's five regional "C" leagues. It includes all "C" teams from the following Minor Hockey Associations: Aldergrove MHA, Cloverdale MHA, Langley MHA, North Delta MHA, Semiahmoo MHA, South Delta MHA, Surrey MHA, and Whatcom County AHA.

The following is a summary of the important provisions of the rules and regulations of Minor Hockey as they apply to "C" Hockey. These notes are not intended as a comprehensive statement of all the rules and regulations that may apply. Team officials should make reference to the FVW General Operating Procedure Manual, the PCAHA Rulebook, and the Hockey Canada Official Hockey Rules, and should consult with the appropriate League or Association officials should any questions arise.

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2. Team Roster and Roster Changes:

A copy of your team roster must be filed with your League Manager prior to the first league game.

Your team roster must also be filed with the PCAHA Office and the "C" League Managing Director prior to the first league game. This is taken care of by your Association Registrar utilizing the on-line Hockey Canada Registry (HCR).

Roster changes (additions or deletions) must be filed by your Association Registrar with the PCAHA Office via HCR before they take effect. It is requested that you notify your League Manager of the change prior to the first game in which the change takes effect.

Any team officials (including Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Safety Person, and Manager) who will be on the bench during games must also be registered on the team roster.

Please note that roster changes involving players are not permitted after **January 10th** with the exception of new players registering with your Association or players cut from Rep teams on or before January 10th within your Association. Player rosters are frozen as of **February 10th**.

3. Player Eligibility:

The only players who may be used by your team in any game (league, playoff, exhibition, or tournament/ jamboree) are those players registered on the team roster. Players may not be picked up from other "C" teams within the same division, or from any "A" teams, under any circumstances. Team officials responsible for playing ineligible players will be subject to disciplinary action.

Teams are able to verify their current roster on Teamlink, the PCAHA's on-line game data system. If there is any discrepancy with the listed roster, such as a missing player or team official, please follow up immediately with your Association Registrar to resolve the problem.

The only exception to this rule is the use of Affiliate Players, as discussed below.

4. Affiliate Players:

If your team is going to be short players for a particular game, you may apply for permission to temporarily use a "C" player from the

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next lower division within your Association as an "Affiliate Player" (that is, Atom "C" draws from Hockey 4, PeeWee "C" draws from Atom "C", Bantam "C" draws from PeeWee "C", and Midget "C" draws from Bantam "C"). **This permission must be obtained by telephone or e-mail from your League Manager prior to the game in which the Affiliate Player is to be used.** Permission to use an Affiliate Player will not be granted unless the team making the request has 12 or fewer skaters (not including a goaltender) for the particular game or, in the case of goaltenders, has no goaltender for the particular game.

The intent of this rule is to assist teams in situations in which they are short players for a particular game, not to allow lower division players to play in the higher division on a regular basis. (PCAHA rules allow a Minor Hockey Association to move an exceptional player up permanently, but such player may not play in his/her regular age division).

Using an Affiliate Player without permission from the League Manager will result in forfeit of the game in question and loss of all points.

A Hockey 4 Affiliate Player who has played a total of **three (3)** games (including all league/playoff, exhibition, and tournament/jamboree games) in Atom "C" is ineligible to participate further in Atom "C" unless moved permanently to Atom with the express approval of his/her Association. As an alternative, to assist an Atom "C" team which is entered in a tournament and is short players (as defined above), permission may be obtained by the team to draw a Hockey 4 player for the duration of the tournament, provided the Hockey 4 player has played no prior games as an Affiliate Player.

An Atom "C", PeeWee "C", or Bantam "C" Affiliate Player who plays more than a total of **five (5)** league or playoff games with higher teams after January 10th becomes ineligible to participate any further with his/her own team.

Please note that the game limits for Affiliate Players is the **total** of all games played in the higher division by the **player**.

Some Associations have additional restrictions or reporting requirements governing Affiliate Players. Team officials should check with their Association Divisional Manager about their Association's policy.

Affiliate Players must be marked on the scoresheet with the notation "**AP**".

Please use the Affiliate Player Request form available on the PCAHA Website under the FVW tab. Also found in the FVW General Operating Procedure Manual.

5. Equal Icetime:

Equal icetime shall be given to all players, regardless of playing ability, in each game. Team officials are responsible to ensure that all players are given equal icetime in every game.

6. Balanced Teams:

When an Association has more than one "C" team in a division, these teams must be of a competitive balance. The League will monitor team strengths and may require that the Association rebalance its teams if they are not adequately balanced.

7. Exhibition Games:

Please use the Exhibition Game Request form available on the PCAHA Website under the FVW tab. Also found in the FVW General Operating Procedure Manual.

Permission to play any exhibition game must be obtained from your League Manager by way of an exhibition game number, as follows:

- a) **Exhibition Game Numbers:** Permission to play any exhibition game must be obtained from your League Manager by way of an exhibition game number. The basic rule is that **a game number will always be required (home or away)**, unless the game is against another team which reports to the same League Manager you do, in which case only the home team must get the game number.
- b) **Games against any team from outside FVW or a FVW team in another group (assigned to another League Manager) -** When playing a team from outside FVW or a FVW team in another group (assigned to another League Manager), a game number must be acquired by both teams whether the game is played at home or away. The Home team is also responsible for turning in the white copy and/or the yellow copy of the scoresheet to their assigned League Manager and entering the game info into Teamlink.
- c) **Games against any team from outside PCAHA -** When playing a team from outside PCAHA, a game number must be acquired whether the game is played at home or away. The FVW team is also responsible for turning in the white copy of the scoresheet (home games) or the yellow copy (away games) to their assigned League Manager and entering the game info into Teamlink. The games in Teamlink will be built with the FVW team as the "Home" team for all the games. The opponents will always be listed as a "Non-PCAHA team". The FVW team is to enter the game info for only the "Home" side as if they were the home team for all games played the opponents side may be left blank.
- d) **Games against teams from outside B.C. -** In the 2010-2011 & 2011-2012 season, teams were required to obtain a game number from the League Manager only. Now, a game against a team based in the United States or out-of-province requires a game number from the League Manager plus separate approval from BC Hockey. The FVW team is also responsible for

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turning in the white copy of the scoresheet (home games) or the yellow copy (away games) to their assigned League Manager and entering the game info into Teamlink.

- e) Members of teams travelling to the United States or out-of-province are covered by an extended hospital/medical insurance policy arranged by the PCAHA, provided the required game number and BC Hockey sanction has first been obtained.

8. Tournament/Jamboree Permission:

Please use the Tournament Permission Request form available on the PCAHA Website under the FVW tab. Also found in the FVW General Operating Procedure Manual.

Tournament Permission will not be given out until 30 days prior to the start date of said tournament

For Tournaments within the PCAHA- Permission must be obtained from your League Manager to play in any tournament or jamboree. This permission will be issued in the form of a tournament permission number and a PCAHA permission form. Game numbers are not required, since the tournament host Association will be issuing tournament game numbers directly by the PCAHA Tournament Officer.

Your team must return a complete set of scoresheets (or copies) for all games played in the tournament/ jamboree to your League Manager immediately after the conclusion of the event.

For Tournaments Outside of the PCAHA- When Playing in a tournament Outside of the PCAHA, a set of tournament numbers will be assigned and built in Teamlink by the appropriate League Manager. It is the FVW teams responsibility to enter the game info into Teamlink on the numbers built. The games in Teamlink will be built with the FVW team as the "Home" team for all the games. The opponents will always be listed as a "Non-PCAHA team" regardless of who the opponent was. The FVW team is to enter the game info for only the "Home" side as if they were the home team for all games played, the opponents side may be left blank.

Your team must return a complete set of scoresheets (or copies) for all games played in the tournament/ jamboree to your League Manager immediately after the conclusion of the event.

For Tournaments Outside of the Province-In the 2010-2011 & 2011-2012 season, teams were required to obtain tournament permission from the League Manager only. **Now**, tournaments outside of British Columbia require a permission number from the assigned League Manager and separate permission from BC Hockey.

Your team must return a complete set of scoresheets (or copies) for all games played in the tournament/ jamboree to your League Manager immediately after the conclusion of the event.

9. Scoresheets (Official Game Report):

The home team is responsible for supplying the scoresheet and ensuring it is properly filled out. The game number, names and numbers of players, names of teams officials (max. 5 on the bench), names of on-ice officials (referee/linesmen) and off-ice officials (scorekeeper and timekeeper), and other game identification information should be clearly printed on the scoresheet before the start of the game.

The scorekeeper is responsible for ensuring that all goals, period times and penalties are correctly recorded.

Following the game, the home team is responsible for entering the game information, score, period times, team line-ups, and penalty information in PCAHA Teamlink at <http://www.teamlink.ca>.

The white and yellow copies of the game report must be mailed to the League Manager **within 24 hours** of the completion of the game. It is suggested that the Team Manager prepare an addressed, stamped envelope prior to leaving for each home game so that the scoresheet can be mailed on the way home.

In most cases the home team is responsible for turning in the appropriate copies of the scoresheet. The exception is for games against teams that report to a different League Manager, in which case you are responsible for turning in a copy of the scoresheet whether the game is played at home or away.

The referee is required to take the white copy of the scoresheet and file a report with the PCAHA and/or BC Hockey if a serious penalty such as Misconduct in the last 10 Minutes, a Game Misconduct, a Gross Misconduct, or a Match penalty is assessed, or if some other noteworthy incident occurs. In these cases the referee alone is responsible for turning in the white copy and no attempt should be made to intercept the white copy.

It is important that scoresheets are forwarded promptly. Section F(6)(e) states: "Failure by a team to distribute the copies of the scoresheet and/or failure to forward the copies as required by this section shall result in suspension and/or other disciplinary action to the team official(s) responsible."

10. Automatic Suspensions:

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Automatic suspensions apply as summarized in the PCAHA rule book.

When a player or team official incurs a penalty that results in an automatic suspension, the suspension must be served whether or not notification is given. If at any time you have any doubt about whether or not a player or team official is eligible to participate, please contact your League Manager.

11. Penalty Minutes:

The League monitors team and individual penalty minutes. Teams or individuals who incur excessive penalty minutes or incur serious penalties repetitively will be subject to further disciplinary action. Refer to PCAHA Rulebook, Addendum #4 - PCAHA Disciplinary Policy, Parts C and E.

12. Fan Control:

Team officials are responsible for ensuring proper control of spectators at all games. Team parents and other spectators should be informed that the objective of Minor Hockey is sportsmanship and fair play, and that negative comments and criticism directed toward referees, players, team officials, and other spectators are not appropriate. Should any spectator engage in unsportsmanlike behaviour, verbal abuse, taunts, slurs, etc., the Referee has full authority to have such spectator removed from the arena. If necessary, the Referee will suspend the game until the individual(s) involved are removed from the rink area.

13. Referees Fees and No Shows:

The 3-person officiating system is to be used in the PeeWee, Bantam, and Midget Divisions. Either the 2- person system or the 3-person system is to be used in the Atom Division.

The expense allowance structure for referees and linesmen is listed in Section I(8) of the PCAHA Rulebook. Referees are to be paid in cash, prior to the start of the game. No fees in excess of the schedule may be paid. If fewer than the required number of officials show up for a game, those in attendance are each to be paid the **referee's** rate only. They do not split the full amount.

Officials for Midget "C" will be assigned by the PCAHA Zone Assigner, while officials for Atom "C", PeeWee "C", and Bantam "C" will be assigned under the direction of the Association Referee-in-Chief. At Bantam "C" and below officials should be assigned by an Association Assigner, not by representatives of the competing teams. . All officials assigned must be at least one division higher in age than the players. In Bantam and Midget "C" the referee must hold HCOP Level 2.

All "no shows" by referees must be reported to your Association Referee-in-Chief for Bantam "C" and below and to the PCAHA Referee Assigning Centre for Midget "C" using the on-line no show reporting form on the PCAHA web site.

14. League Schedule:

Game numbers for all regular season games are assigned on the league schedule.

Conflict games are designated on the schedule with an asterisk (*) or other notation. The home team is responsible for arranging with the visiting team to play the game on a different icetime. If your team is responsible for resolving a conflict game, do so as quickly as possible and then notify your League Manager of the new date, time, and location.

If it becomes necessary to reschedule a league game at any time, the League Manager must be notified immediately. Except for emergency situations, the opposing team should be given at least 72 hours notice of any game time change. Your Association Ice Scheduler and Referee Assigner (if applicable) must also be notified.

15. Standings/Sportsmanship Point:

The Sportsmanship Point Rule will apply to league play and round-robin playoffs as follows:

Points for games shall be 2 points for a win, 1 point for a tie, and 0 points for a loss. In addition, in each game, an additional point called the Sportsmanship Point shall be awarded to a team qualifying, should it achieve low penalty minutes as follows and provided the team incurs no Major, Misconduct, Game Misconduct, Gross Misconduct, or Match penalties in the game:

Atom - 6 minutes or less.

PeeWee (non-bodychecking) - 8 minutes or less.

Bantam (non-bodychecking) - 10 minutes or less.

Midget (non-bodychecking) - 12 minutes or less.

16. Coaching Certification:

"C" coaches Atom and above are required to complete a minimum of **Coach Stream/Hybrid** qualification by December 15th of the current season. Coach Stream is obtained by completing the **Hybrid Clinic** (2 day seminar).

Coaches who obtained the old Coach Level or Intermediate Level prior to 2005 have had their existing certification grandfathered.

Due to shortage of space, it is recommended that coaches pre-register well in advance of the dates of scheduled clinics. For a list of

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the coaching clinics scheduled by BC Hockey and for on-line registration, please visit the BC Hockey web site.

A coach who is not Coach Stream/Hybrid-qualified by December 15th of the current season shall be ineligible to participate with a non-HC-carded team for the remainder of the current season. A coach who fails to complete and submit the Coach Stream/Hybrid "post task" shall be required to retake the Coach Stream/Hybrid course if he/she wishes to coach a non-HC-carded team in a subsequent season.

Each team shall have at least one qualified coach registered. Situations where coaches are found to be coaching while registered as managers or HCSP officials shall result in suspension until the required certification has been obtained.

Pre 1986 Levels	1986-2005 Levels	2005 to Present
(n/a)	Initiation Program	Hybrid or Intro. Coach
Level 1 and Level 2	Coach Level	Hybrid or Coach Stream
Level 3	Intermediate Level	Developmental 1

17. Safety Program Requirements:

The Hockey Canada Safety Program has been mandatory for all teams in Canada since 2000-2001. All "C" teams must have at least one HCSP-qualified team official registered on the team. Teams which do not have a qualified Team Safety Person registered by December 1st may be ineligible for playoffs, unless the deficiency is corrected by December 31st.

It is recommended that team officials complete the 6 hour HCSP seminar as soon as possible. HCSP qualification obtained after May, 2007, is valid for 6 years. For a list of the HCSP seminars scheduled by BC Hockey and for on-line registration, please visit the BC Hockey web site.

18. Speak Out Program/Respect in Sport:

The Speak Out Program was developed by Hockey Canada to combat abuse and harassment in amateur hockey. Since September, 2002, completion of the 3½ hour Speak Out seminar has been mandatory for all team officials. Beginning with the 2009-2010 season, Speak Out was replaced with the on-line Respect in Sport course on the BC Hockey website. Any team official who did not complete Speak Out prior to 2009 must complete Respect in Sport.

19. Team Managers:

A BC Hockey rule adopted in 2008 limits each Minor Hockey team to one (1) Manager.

20. Other Important Rules and Regulations:

All team officials should obtain a copy of the Blue 2012-13 PCAHA Rulebook and be thoroughly familiar with the following sections:

- Section A (4) (z) - Team Officials' Responsibilities.
 - Section B (5) - Coaching certification requirements.
 - Section B (6) - Safety Program requirements.
 - Section C (23) - Ineligible Players and Team Officials.
 - Section C (35) - Affiliate Players.
 - Section E - Playing Rules.
 - Section F - Game Reports (Scoresheets).
 - Section G - Game Times and Schedules.
 - Section H (4-9) - Penalties and Suspensions.
 - Section I (8) - Referee/Linesmen Expense Allowances.
 - Section L (1-3, 10) - Exhibition Games and Tournaments.
- Please note: Section L (4-5) have been amended as per sections 7 and 8 of this document*
- Addendum #4 - PCAHA Disciplinary Policy, Part C, D, and E.

Please refer also to:

- BC Hockey Suspension Guidelines (Match Penalty/Gross Misconduct procedure)
- Hockey Canada Referee's Case Book/Rule Combination (\$10.00 plus GST - order through your Association or from the BC Hockey or Hockey Canada web sites).

Events and program information, bulletins, forms, etc., may be found on the following web sites. It is recommended that you visit them on a regular basis:

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- PCAHA - <http://www.pcaha.bc.ca>
 - FVW tab with this document and others.
- BC Hockey - <http://www.bchockey.net>
- Hockey Canada - <http://www.hockeycanada.ca>

21. Abbreviations Used:

"HC" - Hockey Canada (national governing body).

"BCH" - BC Hockey (provincial governing body).

"PCAHA" - Pacific Coast Amateur Hockey Association (regional governing body for the Lower Mainland district of B.C., including the 42 Minor Hockey Associations from Hope to the Sunshine Coast).