

NORTH EAST MINOR HOCKEY LEAGUE

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U9--Basic Rules of Half Ice Games

- 3-minute warmup.
- Officials will draw a dot in the middle of the game zone for all face-offs.
- Shifts are 2 minutes.
- For sixty (60) minute ice sessions, use the model of two twenty-four (24) minute halves with two (2) minute shifts
- For ninety (90) minute or two-hour time frames, use a model of two thirty (30) minute halves or three twenty (20) minute periods with two (2) minute shifts but stop the clock at the end of every two (2) minute shift.
- Teams may play 3 on 3; 4 on 4; 5 on 5 format, depending upon team composition and strength on any given day.
- Skills zone is optional, however games must still remain half-ice format.
- Teams can use the benches if they wish.
- A face-off will take place at the start of every shift.
- There are no icing or off-side calls.
- Score will be kept; however, goals and assists will <u>NOT</u> be recorded.
- Goalies may not be pulled at any time.
- Line matching must take place. The more advanced players from each team being matched against the more advanced players from the opposing team

The NEMHL U9 Division will have a **3 goal cap <u>per player per game</u>**.