



# MPUMALANGA SCHOOLS HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

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## LEAGUE RULES 2023

### **Administration:**

- Coaches must have an updated police clearance certificate.
- All players must be registered.
- Team portfolios must be available at every match.

### **Match Result Forms:**

- Girls: WhatsApp the results to the league convener on the same day.
- Boys: WhatsApp the results to the regional chairperson on the same day.

### **Medic:**

- No match may take place without a qualified medic.
- Medic must at least have NQF Level 1.

### **Team**

- A team consists of a maximum of sixteen persons composed of a maximum of eleven players on the field and up to five substitutes.
- Players must play with numbers that corresponds with the team list.

### **Umpires**

- Umpires must be dressed correctly.
- Umpires grading document must be available at all times.
- Schools/ Teams may ask for the umpires qualification before the match.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Team = Level 1 or Level 2
- 2<sup>nd</sup> & U/16 = Mini Level 1 or Level 1
- u/14 = Mini Level 1

### **Technical area:**

- Person appointed must have the authority to manage coaches and players if necessary.
- Check team portfolios: ID & Registration forms
- Players that receive a green or yellow card must sit on separate chairs away from their team.
- No one except for the coaching staff, technical officials and medics may be allowed in the technical area.
- No one may stand behind the goalboxes.
- Coaches, players and parents may not shout at umpires.
- Only captains may ask the umpires about their decision in a respectful manner.
- Players and coaches must promote good sportsmanship.

## **Duration of Games**

- Girls' 1st Team games shall be 4 x 15 minute chukkas with a 2 minute break between first two and last two chukkas and a minimum 5 minutes and maximum 10 minutes half time. As per change in the Constitution.
- Boys 1st Team games shall be 4 x 15 minute chukkas with a 2 minute break between first two and last two chukkas, and a minimum 5 minutes and maximum 10 minutes half time. As per change in the Constitution.
- 2nd Team, U/16 and U/15 games shall be 4 x 15-minute chukkas with a 2 minute break between first two and last two chukkas, and a minimum 5 minutes and maximum 10 minutes half time. As per change in the Constitution.
- U/14 games shall be 4 x 12,5 minutes (minimum) and/or 15 minutes (maximum) chukkas with a 2 minute break between first two and last two chukkas, and a minimum 5 minutes and maximum 10 minutes half time. As per change in the Constitution.

## **Points**

- 4 (FOUR) points for the winner
- 0 (NIL) points for the loser
- 1 (ONE) point for each team in the event of a goalless draw
- 2 (TWO) points for each team in the event of a draw with goals

Should the situation arise at any time where two or more teams have the same number of points, then:

- The position of the teams shall be decided upon a goal difference basis, i.e., goals for minus goals against, biggest difference wins.
- Should there still be equality then the team with the greatest number of goals scored wins.
- Should there still be equality, then the position will be decided by the number of games won. Mpumalanga Schools Hockey Association 19 Constitution and Bye-Laws
- Should there still be equality then results of the two teams concerned will be used.
- Should there still be equality then an 8 second shoot-out between the 2 teams will be held.

Kind Regards

**MSHA Executive Committee**