



Qualities of an Official



HOUSEKEEPING

- Bathrooms
- Breaks
- Lunch
- Cell Phones



CLINIC AGENDA



Morning	Afternoon
Qualities of an Official	Ice Session (if applicable)
Review of Hockey Canada e-Hockey	Time Penalties
Offside	Social Media Policy
Icing	Goals/Penalty Shots
2 Official Positioning	Report Writing/Match on an Official
Line Change Procedure	Communication
Penalty Procedure	Conflict Management
Rule Study	Review
Rule Emphasis	Exam

Lets ask a couple of questions:



1. What do you want get out of the clinic today?
2. Why do you want to referee?

INTRODUCTION



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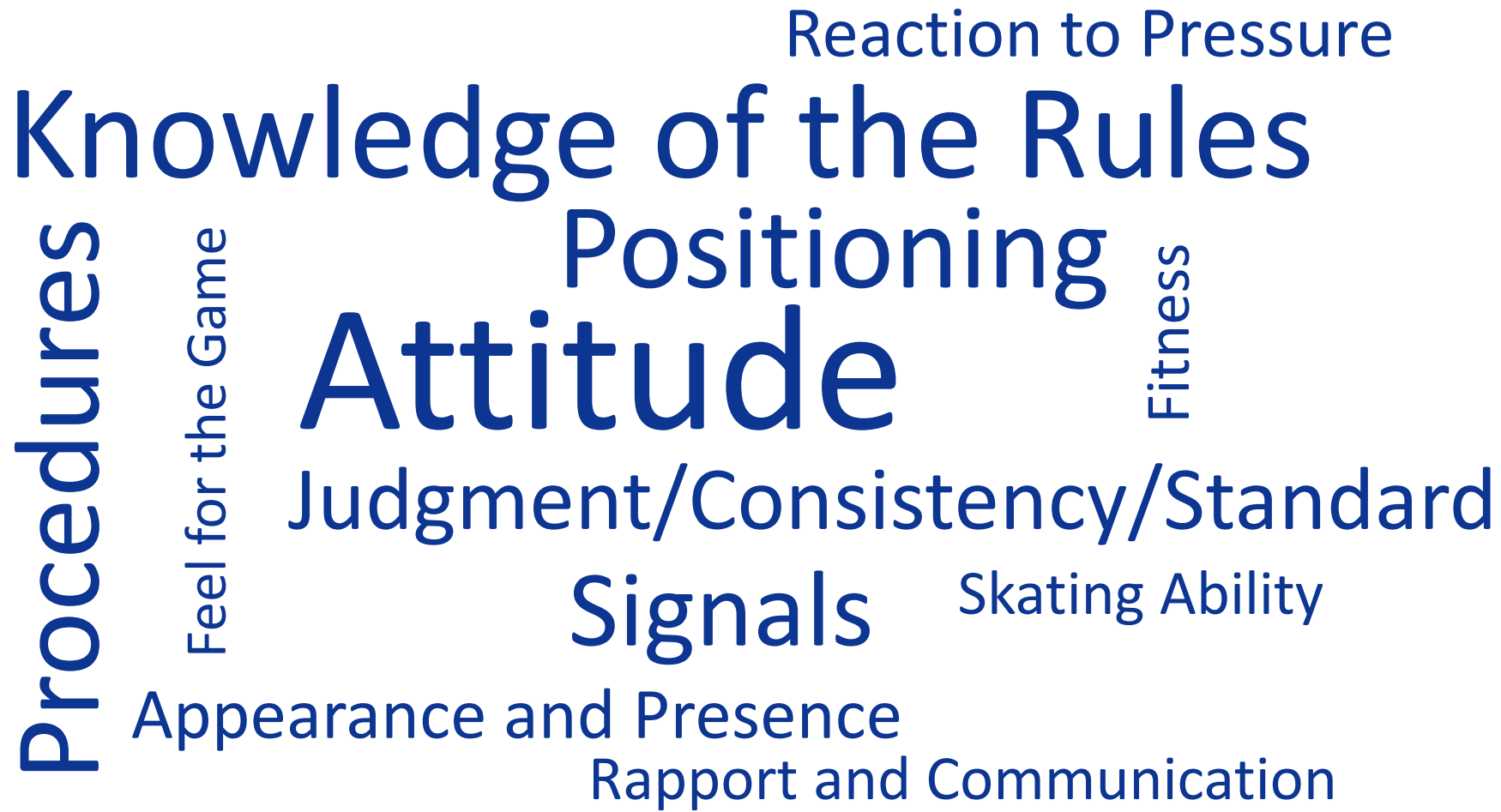


There are 12 areas that have been identified as necessary qualities for officials to possess.

Can you think of what they are?

**What makes
a good official?**

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Your individual strengths and weaknesses in these areas will differ from everyone else in the room – the key is to maximize your strengths and minimize your weaknesses!

**What makes YOU
a good official?**

Knowledge of the Rules



- every official is capable of good working knowledge of the rules
- takes time and effort to learn and know the rules
- necessary to advance in Levels

Fitness



- officials' conditioning should be related to the level of hockey they are working
- takes should spend as much time getting fit as the level of players they are working

Appearance and Presence



- first impressions can help your game or hurt it
- dress in a professional manner – clean gear etc.
- presence is the way you carry and handle yourself – act professional to gain respect

Skating Ability



- should be related to the level of hockey working
- always work to improve

Positioning



- proper positioning enhances an officials performance and credibility
- work hard and practice to make it second nature

Signals



- used to communicate with everyone, essential that you use the standard, correct signals
- proper use will signal confidence and competence and add to professionalism

Reaction to Pressure



- have the courage to make the “tough call”
- remain cool in a tough situation – things will be easier this way
- be professional

Rapport and Communication



- communication is essential - with partners, players and coaches
- establishing good communication early can make tough situations easier to deal with

Procedures



- learn the procedures so they come as second nature, they will guide your game
- proper execution shows confidence and competence

Attitude



- a good attitude is essential to development
- demonstrated through hustle, enthusiasm and determination – not showboating

Feel for the Game




- knowing what penalty to call and when to establish a standard and maintain control and flow of the game
- this takes time to develop, watch other senior officials and how they work

Judgment/Consistency/Standard



- judgment – knowing when and where to draw the line
- consistency – consistently apply judgment and standard
- standard – set from the start of game



What quality of an official do you think is the most important and why?

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