



# Advanced Rule Knowledge



Senior Clinic  
Module C

# Expectations



- As an experienced official, we expect that you know the rules for advanced situations you may come across
- Know where to find these rules in your rulebook
- Apply the proper rules on the ice and be able to write a game report

During  
a game,  
we are  
called to make  
decisions and  
know the rules –  
with out the  
rulebook!

Can you rhyme the rule number off  
from the top of your head?

Can you describe the rule as written in the  
rulebook?

How quickly can you find  
a specific rule?

**Let's see!**

# What's the rule?



- Checking from behind
- 3<sup>rd</sup>-player-in in a fight
  - Racial slur
- Undoing a chin strap in a fight
- Deliberately covering the puck in the corner of your defensive zone with less than 2 minutes in the 3<sup>rd</sup> period

# What's the rule?



- Grabbing the face mask
- Different head contact penalties
- Multiple fights in the same stoppage
- Leaving the players bench during a fight
  - Penalty Shot
  - Awarded Goal
- Refusing to start play

Why does knowing  
the rules matter?

We are expected (and paid!)  
to know the rules

If you don't apply a rule  
correctly, it could unfairly  
impact a team and the game  
could have to be replayed



# **Gross Misconducts**

# Under what rule(s) can a Gross Misconduct be called?



Rule 4.7

Rule 3.6 (e)

Rule 6.1 (a)

Situation 4

Rule 3.5 (d)

Rule 3.7 (e)

Rule 8.5

Rule 3.6 (b)

Rule 6.7 (i)

Rule 9.2 (f)

Rule 3.6 (c)

Rule 6.1 (b)

Rule 9.5

Rule 8.1

Situation 17 (1) (2)



Gross  
Misconducts  
can be broken  
down into three  
categories:

1. Behavioral
2. Equipment
1. Fights with team officials

We will  
focus on  
the 2 most  
common rules  
involving gross  
misconducts:

1. Rule 4.7
2. Rule 9.2(f)

# Rule 4.7 – Gross Misconduct Penalties



**“Making a travesty of the game.”**

Examples:

- Rude gestures into the crowd
- Obscene gestures to an official or the opposing team
- Continuing unsportsmanlike conduct well after being ejected
- Throwing objects on the ice

# Rule 9.2 (f) – Unsportsmanlike Conduct



**“Any player or team official who engages in verbal taunts, insults or intimidation based on discriminatory grounds.”**

- **race**
- **ethnicity**
- **religion**
- **gender**
- **sexual orientation**
- **language**

# A few other examples:



Undoing a helmet during a flight

**Rule 3.6 (c)**

Getting into a fight with a team official or spectator

**Rule 4.7 (b) Situation 2**

Throwing objects on the ice or spraying an official  
with a water bottle

**Rule 4.7 (b) Situation 3**



# Penalty Shot

# Under what rule(s) can a Penalty Shot be called?



Rule 4.9

Rule 10.1 (c)

Rule 2.5

Situation 5 (c)

Rule 7.3 (f)

Rule 10.1 (e)

Rule 2.6

Rule 9.1 (c)

Rule 10.14

Situation 6

Rule 9.8 (a)

**AND MORE!**

Rule 3.2

Situation 2

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focus on  
the 3 most  
common types  
involving  
penalty shots:

1. Breakaway
2. Delay of game
  1. Refusal to start play



# The Breakaway



## What are the 5 criteria?

1. Neutral or attacking zone
2. Possession & control
3. No defender between attacker and the net
4. Fouled from behind
5. Denied a reasonable scoring opportunity

## Where can you find these in the rulebook?

Rule 4.9 – Situation 2

# Delay of Game



- Covering the puck in the crease
- Knocking the net off
- Removing helmet on breakaway

Remember that these are *very specific* situations!

# Refusal to start play



This is a very specific situation so let's read it right from our rulebook.

## **Rule 10.14**

# Refusal to start play



## Summary:

1. Notify the bench that they have **2 minutes to return** to the ice to start play
2. If the team **does not come back** by the end of the 2 minutes the **game is over**
3. If the team **returns to resume play**, assess a **Major + GM** to the head coach for **delay of game**
4. If a team **refuses to play in the last 2 minutes of the game** and they return within the 2 minutes, **also** assess a **penalty shot**
5. If a team **refuses to play a second time** the **game is suspended**



**Fighting**

What rule number  
is fighting?

## Section 6 – Physical Fouls

### Rule 6.7

(a) (b) (e) (f) (g) (h) (i)

- Fighting
- Third person in
- Multiple Fights
- Instigator

# A fight starts – what do you do?



## Referee

- blow your whistle
- instruct all other players to their benches
- watch for altercations
- pull out your riot pad
- record player numbers

**What do you do if the players do not follow your instructions?**

## Linesman

- blow your whistle
- clear fighting area of debris
- whenever possible, work with your partner
- enter fight ONLY if:
  - punches are no longer being thrown
  - one player is clearly at a disadvantage
  - it is safe for you to enter the altercation



Are there any other rules or situations that you would like to go over?

Other Rules



# Remember



It is up to you to know the rules

Review your rulebook before each game  
to refresh your memory

Referees *and* linesmen need to know the rulebook  
so that you can work as a team on the ice