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## WPHU INDOOR HOCKEY LEAGUE RULES

### PREAMBLE:

PSI Indoor Hockey is the preferred partner for WPHU Indoor Hockey. The WPHU Indoor League will be managed by PSI Indoor Hockey. The following league rules will apply :

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### FINANCE & REGISTRATION

1. League fees are due by the latest the third week of the league.
2. If a team concedes a fixture, the match fee will be credited to the opposing team.
3. All players participating in the Indoor League must be registered with WPHU. Players, coaches and team managers are required to register by 8 January 2025. Any new players joining after this date must be registered prior to their first match in the league. The official registration process will be communicated to the league teams.
4. Teams using an unregistered player in a league match will forfeit the game, and the defaulting team will incur a fine of R500.
5. All Teams must be entered into the league under a WPHU affiliated club.

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### ELIGIBILITY

6. Players must be in good financial standing from previous indoor and outdoor seasons to be eligible to play.
7. Players must be at least 14 years old as of 01 January 2025, to participate in L3, L2, M2, or M3 leagues.
8. Players must be at least 15 years old as of 01 January 2025, to participate in L1 & M1 leagues.

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### MATCH MATTERS

9. No players including goalkeepers may play for two different teams in any one week of fixtures (Monday to Sunday). Movement between weeks (due to promotion or relegation within a club) is permitted. Breach of this rule will result in the forfeiture of points for the lower team that used the higher team's player.
10. No team can consist solely of under-18 players. A minimum of three senior players must be included in every team. Senior players are considered non-school going players over the age of 18.
11. A minimum of two senior players must be on the court at all times during a match.
12. Ladies may not play in the men's league and vice versa, except for Ladies National squad players, who may play in the men's league with permission from WPHU.
13. If teams are unable to honour their fixtures, it is unlikely that an alternate fixture will be accommodated, as the venue is fully booked seven days a week.



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14. A match sheet will be prepared by the technical official for all league matches. Team captains or coaches must provide player names and surnames to the technical official prior to the start of the match.
15. No person other than those registered are permitted in the team bench and technical table arrear.
16. Violations of Rules 10 to 15 will lead to the forfeiture of points and may result in additional sanctions for repeated offenses.

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#### **MISCONDUCT**

17. A player who receives a red card will incur an automatic fine of R500. A player who receives a yellow card for umpire abuse or using foul language will incur a fine of R200.
18. Any suspension imposed by a Disciplinary or Appeals Committee will apply separately to Indoor Hockey, the Summer League, and Outdoor Field Hockey unless specifically stated otherwise by the respective committee.

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#### **CODE OF CONDUCT**

19. Any individual registered in the Indoor League agrees to comply with and be governed by the WPHU Code of Conduct.
20. By registering, individuals confirm that they have read and understood the WPHU Spectator Code of Conduct and acknowledge that any breach by their spectators may lead to sanctions.
21. Repeated breaches of league rules may result in monetary fines for the club the team represents, and possible suspension of the team from the league.

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#### **PLAYING COLOURS**

22. All teams in the indoor league must wear the official club colours of the Club they represent.

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#### **UNFORESEEN EVENTS**

23. If unforeseen circumstances arise regarding the technical aspects of the league, the WP Hockey Manager, in consultation with PSI Indoor Hockey and the WPHU Executive Committee, will determine the necessary actions.