



## SUMMARY OF RULE CHANGES (FALL 2017 AND SPRING 2018)

### MEMBERSHIP DUES

RULE	PREVIOUS RULE	2017 RULE
Membership dues for the 2017 Fall Season.	\$250 for Full members. \$60 for Honorary members.	\$300 for Full members. \$75 for Honorary members.

### MALE PLAYERS

RULE	PREVIOUS RULE	2017 RULE
Number of male players allowed on the field during Fall season and Spring Tournament games.	<p>If there are men on the team, only four men on each team will be permitted on the field at any given time (with exception to the goalie). Thus, there can potentially be five men on the field during a regulation game providing the fifth male is the goalie.</p> <p>During 7 v. 7 overtime, only 3 men on each team will be permitted on the field at any given time (with exception to the goalie). Thus, there can potentially be four men on the field during overtime providing the fourth male is the goalie.</p>	<p><b>Male Player Rule: “Up Two”</b>            Before the start of each game, the two opposing teams should confirm (with each other and the officials) how many male field players each team has on their roster (this does not include the goalie). The team with more male field players is allowed to play “up two” during regulation and overtime play. This does <u>not</u> include the goalie.</p> <p>For example, if Team A brings 1 male field player, and Team B brings 6 male field players, Team B is only allowed to play a maximum of 3 male field players at any one time. Team B is allowed to play “up two”.</p> <p>The number of male field players allowed (as determined prior to the start of the game), cannot be changed during the game - regardless of penalty cards or injuries.</p> <p>During the regular fall season (excluding the Fall Championship), if two opposing teams mutually agree in writing to allow either an increase or decrease in the number of male players allowed on the field, the game will still count. However, both teams must mutually agree to this change in writing before the game, and must play with the change throughout the entirety of the game.</p>



## SPRING TOURNAMENT CANCELLATIONS

RULE	PREVIOUS RULE	2017 RULE
Penalties for teams that cancel after the dues deadline	<p>All teams must cancel in writing (send email to <a href="mailto:tournaments@nationalfieldhockeyleague.com">tournaments@nationalfieldhockeyleague.com</a>).</p> <p>Teams that have submitted a written RSVP and cancel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• On or before the Dues Deadline: No penalty</li><li>• After the Dues Deadline: Are still required to pay dues PLUS a \$250 fine prior to the tournament.</li><li>• Failure to pay dues PLUS the \$250 fine before the tournament will result in probation from the league.</li><li>• A team put on probation will be reinstated once the dues and \$250 fine are paid.</li></ul>	<p>All teams must cancel in writing (send email to <a href="mailto:tournaments@nationalfieldhockeyleague.com">tournaments@nationalfieldhockeyleague.com</a>).</p> <p>Teams that have submitted a written RSVP and cancel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• On or before the Dues Deadline: No penalty</li><li>• After the Dues Deadline (<b>less than 2 months before the tournament</b>): Are still required to pay dues PLUS a \$250 fine prior to the tournament.</li><li>• <b>After the Last-Minute Cancellation Deadline (less than 1 month before the tournament): Are still required to pay dues PLUS a \$500 fine prior to the tournament.</b></li><li>• <b>Failure to pay dues PLUS any fines before the tournament will result in probation from the league.</b></li><li>• <b>A team put on probation will be reinstated once the dues and fines are paid.</b></li></ul>



## REVIEW OF DEADLINES

DATE	DESCRIPTION
August 5th	Status declaration for returning teams (Honorary or Full)
August 8th	Status declarations for new teams (Honorary or Full)
August 15th	Harrow grant applications due
August 18th	Harrow grant winners will be announced
Every Monday at 12pm	Score reports due for the previous week's games (home/host teams only)
Every following Wednesday at 12pm	Deadline for away teams to challenge any incorrect or missing scores
September 15th	Dues or email verification deadline
October 29th	Last day to play games
October 29th at 10pm	Last day to report scores
October 31st	All checks from schools must be received (for schools that sent in an email verification).
November 18th-19th	20th NFHL Fall Championship
January 22nd, 2018	Spring Tournament RSVP deadline
February 22nd, 2018	Spring Tournament dues or email verification deadline
March 22nd, 2018	Spring Tournament last-minute cancellation deadline (to avoid increased fee)
April 21st-22nd, 2018	21st NFHL Spring Tournament