

HKHA –P & D Section

Boys' Youth League –2017/2018 (11-a-side)

The Youth League is run by the P & D section for teenagers age 16 and under.

Rules: *These Rules may be implemented and amended as the HKHA-P&D Youth League Sub-Committee sees fit.*

1. The HKHA Men's Section Bye-Laws, HKHA-P&D Section Bye-Laws and Rules of Hockey will apply unless otherwise stated.

2. All players in a team must be registered with the HKHA-P&D Section and be acknowledged before they can play in the League.

Each team may play with:

3.1– a goalkeeper with goalkeeping privileges wearing full protective equipment comprised of at least headgear, leg guards and kickers and a different colour shirt; or 3.2– a kicking back with goalkeeping privileges wearing only protective headgear and a different colour shirt.

4. Each team shall have a Coach present during each game. He / She will be responsible for the behaviour and well being of the players. Special approval is needed in the event that a team plays in the absence of a Coach.

5. **3** points will be awarded for a win, **2** points for a score draw and **1** for a nil-nil draw. A team scoring 5 or more goals in a game will be awarded **1** bonus point. In the event of a walkover, the opponent will be awarded a win and credited with **3** points (and a 3-0 score-line).

6. All the matches, unless otherwise stated, will be **30 minutes each half** with a 5-minute break at half time.

7. If two or more teams are tied on points, rankings will be decided according to goal differences. If there is still a tie, the team with more total goals ranks higher.

8. Any proposed changes must be approved by the Youth League Committee of the P&D Section three **(3) days** before the date of the original fixtures. It will be up to the requesting Club to re-schedule the game, in co-ordination with the opposing team.

9. Regulations for players' movement and transfer between clubs should refer to the HKHA Men's Section Bye-Laws.

10. Two umpires from the Association will be appointed for all matches.
11. No player is allowed to play more than one Boys Youth League game on the same day.
12. Player ages may be checked by umpires therefore HKID cards must be available for checking at all games. Teams playing over age players will be docked **3** match points for each offence and the opposing team will also be awarded a walkover win. Teams caught breaking the age rule on more than one occasion will be banned from further participation
13. Each team is to nominate a “Best on Ground” (player demonstrating talented play and good sportsmanship) for the opposing team at the completion of each match. Umpires will also nominate a player from each team. At the conclusion of the season, the highest nominated individuals will be awarded overall Best and Fairest trophies
14. The League will be played in Round Robin format. (Total nos. of rounds will be subject to nos. of team submitted)
15. The Boys Youth League is a fun and competitive League for 12 - 16 year olds. Talented 11 year olds will also be considered if they comply with registration protocols.
16. Maximum number of players in a team per game is **16**. You may register more in your squad.

We hope there will be no need to impose penalties on teams and that players and coaches will use common sense to prevent any need to do so. However, in the event this will be necessary, please note the penalty structure below:

P & D Section - Undisclosed Player Penalties:

Unregistered Player	1st Contravention	HK\$0 and Forfeiture of game 0-3
	2nd Contravention	HK\$200 and Forfeiture of game 0-3
	Subsequent Contravention	HK\$500 and Forfeiture of game 0-3
Player Movement	1st Contravention	HK\$0 and Forfeiture of game 0-3
	2nd Contravention	HK\$200 and Forfeiture of game 0-3
	Subsequent Contravention	HK\$500 and Forfeiture of game 0-3

P&D Section – Failure to Play Penalties:

Walkover – <i>with no prior notice</i>	1st Contravention	HK\$200 and Forfeiture of game 0-3
	2nd Contravention	HK\$200 and Forfeiture of game 0-3
	Subsequent Contravention	HK\$500 and Forfeiture of game 0-3

Administration:

Convenors are required to take careful note of the following instructions concerning the registration of team and players for 2017/2018 youth league.

1. Team Registration

Please ensure that all sections are completed and declaration signed. This form must be returned no later than **30 October 2017 (Friday)** to the **P&D Section, Hong Kong Hockey Association, 1st Floor, Administration Block, King's Park Hockey Ground, 6 Wylie Road, Kowloon**, together with appropriate fees as follows:

Team registration fee: HKD2,000 (\$500 is fully refundable at the end of season if there are no any penalty fines).

The Boys Youth League is expected to start on **18th November, 2017** (exact dates to be confirmed).

2. Player registration documentation

The players age should be 12 or over and under 16 on 1 Jan 2017. The date of birth of all players should be in the range between **1 Jan 2001 and 1 Jan 2005 (inclusive both days)** **they should be at least 12 when they register. Exceptions for underage players will only be made at the discretion of the HKHA P&D Youth League Sub-Committee.** All players need to complete a player registration application form and attach **a passport sized photograph and a digital format plus a copy of their HKID card.** A parent, or legally appointed guardian must complete and sign Section 3.

3. Matches Played

E-Match cards to be completed by the team Captain and Umpire, refer to Men's Section Bye-Laws.

4. Venue and Time

Fixtures will be scheduled at King's Park Hockey Ground and Happy Valley and will be played on Saturday's between 10:30am – 2:00pm.