

NOTICE TO OFFICIALS

Coaching Education Requirements and Pre-Game Responsibilities

The procedure below is to be completed prior to the start of ALL youth hockey games (i.e. Mite, Squirt, Pee Wee, Bantam, High School, Midget and Girls divisions).

- Please note the referee's responsibility to witness the presentation of coaching credentials.
- Referees should verify that the information **FOR ALL COACHES** on the players' bench appears on the score sheet. This may be completed prior to the pre-game warm-up. Until new score sheets are printed, it is OK if the information needs to be written in the margins or elsewhere on the sheet.
- Although this procedure is not mandatory until January 1, IAHA recommends that we follow it during the entire season.

C. Evidence of Level

Proof of coaching education level will be evidenced by a USA Hockey Coaching Education card with appropriate dated verification sticker. This card must be carried by all coaches for **all** USA Hockey games.

Before the start of each game and in the presence of the referee, each coach must present their card to one another for verification of coaching education level.

If a coach cannot produce their current and up to date USA Hockey Coaching Education Card prior to the start of the first period, it must be noted on the official game score sheet and signed by the opposing coach.

Beginning January 1 of the current season, prior to the start of the game, all coaches (Head and Assistant) present, from each team, are required to sign the designated area of the scoresheet in order to verify the accuracy of the playing roster, as it appears on the scoresheet, for that game. In addition, all coaches (Head and Assistant) must include their USA Hockey Coaching Education Program (CEP) card number, their CEP level (1–Initiation, 2–Associate, 3–Intermediate, 4–Advanced, or 5–Master) and the year their CEP level was attained. The CEP card number, level and year attained shall be printed legibly and next to the signature of each coach.

(The above paragraphs were excerpted from IAHA Coaching Education Program)