

HOCKEY (BOYS / GIRLS) 2014 RULES

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Team Requirements

- There will be two competitions boys and girls.
- There will be one age group: School Years 6,7 & 8.
- A team shall consist of a maximum of 10 players with 7 playing at any one time.
- All players must wear shin pads when playing.
- Each team must play with a fully equipped goalkeeper.
 (Minimum goalkeeping equipment is detailed in the Mini-Hockey Rules)
- The wearing of gum shields is highly recommended.
- Each team member must wear their Devon Games to Inspire t-shirt.

Team Eligibility

- Players must not have attended or been selected for a County, Regional or National hockey academy, satellite centre, or talent camp in the current hockey season,
 1st September 2013 31st May 2014. Development Academy players can compete.
 Please note: Devon HA currently run Junior Development Centres (which are below 'County' standard) followed by the next level Junior Academy Centres.
 - JDC players are allowed to participate but not JAC or JRPC players (Regional Junior Regional Performance Centre).
 - Players should be selected for the local authority area they live or go to school in.
 - No single school or club teams can enter, i.e. open trials must be held to provide all schools and clubs the opportunity for their young people to take part.

Competition Format

- A round robin format, or appropriately sized pools leading to a knockout in the later stages will be followed, depending on the number of teams entered.
- Each match will be played one way only.
- Please see next page for Code of Conduct/Fair Play.
- Matches will be played on the water-based pitch, and appropriate footwear should be worn.

Sports Rules

- The competition shall be played according to the rules of 'In2Hockey'. A full set of rules can be found at www.englandhockey.co.uk/in2hockey
- Team Managers will be asked to sign results cards after each match. Any dispute must be raised prior to signing.
- Points will be awarded as follows:
 - 3 points for a win, 2 points for a draw and 1 point for a loss.
- In the event of a tie, teams will be split on the basis of Goal Difference, followed by Goals For, and if still equal, the result of the game between the two teams will be looked at. If the teams are still equal at this stage the result will be decided on a penalty stroke competition.
- Three players from each team will take a penalty stroke. The winning team shall be the team with the most penalty stroke scored. In the event of a tie then the same players will repeat the process on a sudden death basis.
- In accordance with England Hockey Guidelines each team should be accompanied by a manager and a young leader, who will be mentored by the manager for the duration of the

event. Where possible the young leader should have completed their hockey leaders award, CSLA/ JSLA or be working towards it.

Official's Decision

- In all matters relating to the competition the Event Co-ordinators decision shall be final and binding.
- The Hockey Event Coordinators are the Devon Hockey Association and the Devon Hockey Umpires Association.
- The overall Devon Games to Inspire Event is managed by Active Devon.

DGTI 2014 Code of Conduct

Fair Play:

Treat others with the same respect and fairness that you would like them to show you.

Equity:

Demonstrate "fair play" on and off the field. Respect differences in gender, disability, culture, race, ethnicity, and religious belief systems between yourself and others. Challenge discrimination and prejudice.

Inclusiveness and tolerance:

Appreciate that all participants bring something valuable and different to the Event. Value and learn from the diversity of people you meet and show patience with others and act with dignity at all times.

PITCHSIDE CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PLAYERS, OFFICIALS, SPECTATORS AND PARENTS FOR ALL EVENTS

PLEASE RESPECT THE ETHOS OF THIS COMPETITION

- On the field of play, the team captain and team manager is responsible for the conduct of the players.
- On the team bench, the team manager is responsible for the conduct of the substitute players, team officials, and coaches.
- Vocal communications by team officials and players on the bench must not, in any way, be directed at the umpires or players of the opposing team.
- Coaches, managers, and substitute players must remain in the designated area (within the width of the bench) throughout the game.
- No warming-up is permitted alongside or behind the pitches while games are in progress.
- Any post match team talks are to be held away from the pitch.
- All spectators must remain outside of the pitch area, and babies in push chairs must not be parked on the side of the pitch.
- Spectators and parents are reminded that the England Hockey Board/Devon Games to Inspire shall not tolerate the use of negative, foul or abusive language directed at or towards the umpires, officials or players. Part of the ethos of the DGTI is that young officials are given the opportunity to develop their skills in a supportive environment, and without criticism by others.
- The Event Managers shall have the power to take any reasonable action in order to protect the players, the umpires and officials, and the game of hockey. This includes the ejection of any individual from the event.