



# IMPLEMENTATION GUIDE SUMMARY



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## SEASONAL STRUCTURE

DIVISION	INITIATION Effective 2017-18	TYKE Effective 2018-19
Age	5 & 6 years old	7 years old
Category	HL; LL	HL; LL; Select
Coach Qualification	NCCP Coach 1	NCCP Coach 1
Practice Format	Station-based Hockey Canada Initiation Program curriculum	Station-based Hockey Canada Initiation Program curriculum
Evaluation/Selection	After Labour Day 2 weeks	After Labour Day 2 weeks
Development Season	6 weeks	6 weeks
Regular Season	20 weeks	20 weeks
Transition Season	n/a	n/a
Jamborees/ Tournaments	Jamboree After Dec. 1 <sup>st</sup>	Jamboree After Dec. 1 <sup>st</sup> 2

## GAME STRUCTURE

DIVISION	INITIATION Effective 2017-18	TYKE Effective 2018-19
Age	5 & 6 years old	7 years old
Team Format	Two Team model 18 Players	Two Team model 18 Players
Goaltenders	Not required/ Rotational	Rotational
Game Format	Cross-Ice 4v4	Half-Ice 4v4
Boards / Dividers	Optimal: Foam rink dividers or board system	Optimal: Foam rink dividers or board system
Puck	Blue (4 oz.)	Blue (4 oz.)
Nets	Small or Regulation	Small or Regulation
Shift Length	Set Time/Buzzer	Set Time/Buzzer

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<b>DIVISION</b>	<b>INITIATION</b> Effective 2017-18	<b>TYKE</b> Effective 2018-19
<b>Coaches On-Ice during Games</b>	Yes	Optional
<b>Officials</b>	n/a	1 or 2 Officials
<b>Face offs</b>	Start Game/2 <sup>nd</sup> Half	Start Game/2nd Half
<b>Offside/Icing</b>	No	No
<b>Penalties</b>	No	Yes - Modified
<b>Score</b>	No	No
<b>Standings</b>	No	No

## PLAYING IN A HIGHER DIVISION & AFFILIATION

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AGE BY DEC. 31	DIVISION	CATEGORY	PLAY IN A HIGHER DIVISION?	MAY AFFILIATE?
4 & Under	Pre-school 2018-19	HL	NO	NO
5 & 6	Initiation 2018-19	HL; LL	If deemed able by ability using parameters identified by the Association or where registration numbers require*	NO
7	Tyke 2018-19	HL; LL; Select	If deemed able by ability using parameters identified by the Association or where registration numbers require*	NO
8	Novice 2018-19	HL; LL; RS; MD; Rep	If deemed able by ability using parameters identified by the Association or where registration numbers require*	YES

\* Centres must establish criteria that players would be required to meet in order to play on a higher division team.

\*\* Yes – to Minor Atom/Atom; only during the Transition Season - once the Novice program has transitioned to Full-Ice.

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