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STATE FIRST ROUND PRESENTED BY UK HEALTHCARE

INSTRUCTIONS





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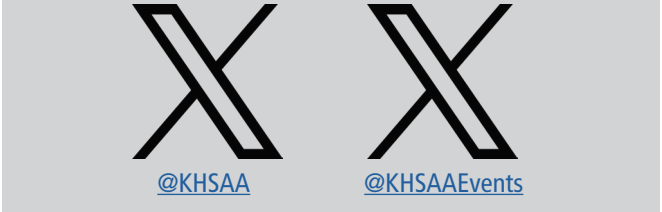
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SUPERSEDURE NOTE

The information in these instructions supersedes any previously distributed, including the Competition Rules.

These instructions have been consistently reviewed and revised over the past several years through the pandemic, while time has not permitted a complete overhaul and revision to the competition rules.

All involved should review items such as tiebreakers and procedures for competition and consider this document authoritative.

Contact the primary event contact, listed in the proceeding sport specific sections, with any additional questions.

COVID-19 GUIDANCE

Anyone attending or participating in a KHSAA regular season or postseason event should review their symptoms before arriving.

Those that are ill or displaying any symptoms of illness should stay home.

Masks/Face coverings for non-competitors and the requirements surrounding these items are a matter of local jurisdiction.

At minimum, any local or specific mask-requiring ordinance should also include a requirement for managers to post signage and make regular announcements.

Each member school and event host is expected to adhere to public health standards regarding isolation and quarantine.

VENUE LOGISTICS

WATER

Coaches and athletes are reminded to bring their own water bottles as no community dispensers can be used.

VENUE SAFETY

Persons who attend KHSAA events may be injured as a result of the risks inherent in being a spectator at such events.

Please advise KHSAA or venue personnel of any situation you encounter which you or a fellow spectator feels should be addressed to minimize risk to all involved.

Any crowd control problems or acts of violence should be brought to the attention of the event staff, which will contact the appropriate authorities.

Attendance at events is a vital family and community based activity which is encouraged.

SIGNAGE, BALLOONS, NOISEMAKERS AND MUSIC

Signs/banners are permitted at the facility but must be of good taste and sportsmanship.

The signs/banners must be handheld or attached in a manner not to damage the existing structure.

The signs/banner shall not cover any corporate signage or obstruct the view of patrons.

Amplified noisemakers or items that replicate competition management cues are not permitted to include, but not be limited to:

- Indoor
 - o Air horns
 - o Electronic amplifiers
 - o Portable sound systems
 - o Whistles
 - o Game clock horns simulator
- Outdoor
 - o Air horns
 - o Whistles
 - o Game clock horns simulator



Managers should confiscate items if used with the managers determining if they are returned post championship.
Balloons, which can block the view of other patrons, are not permitted at the event.
Only venue provided amplified music is permissible, but only during pre-event, natural and planned breaks/timeouts.

ENTRY OF SERVICE ANIMALS

Service animals are important and valued professionals that serve the needs of owners and must be present at all times.

Because service animals are essential for specific individuals, we wanted to make all attendees are aware of the definitions and guidelines in place to make certain service animals are present as well as to ensure the well-being of all individuals in attendance at KHSAA championship events.

Service animals are the only animals the general public may bring into the indoor and outdoor facilities of a KHSAA championship.

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) defines a service animal as a dog who has been trained to perform a task directly related to an individual's disability.

Upon entry to a championship, owners of service dogs may be asked questions as recommended by the ADA to ensure the owner access to their service animal.

The training a service animal receives distinguishes it from other animals and there may be questions about the training provided to the animal and service provided.

Emotional support animals, therapy animals, and other pets are not considered service animals and will not be granted entry to KHSAA events.

In Kentucky, misrepresentation of an assistance animal is a violation with a fine up to \$1000.

The owner will be responsible at all times for the conduct of the service animal.

Thank you for respecting the training and necessity of service dogs and helping us keep all guests safe when visiting a KHSAA championship event.

SPORTSMANSHIP

The KHSAA requires officials to enforce sportsmanship rules.

High school athletics emphasize positive values and all parties have worked hard to create a sense of teamwork, respect, responsibility and perspective.

We remind you that officials expect good behavior and will quickly penalize misconduct.

We encourage and appreciate your help in letting this competition reflect mutual respect among all participants and officials.

ROSTERS

POSTSEASON ROSTER

Postseason participants must be designated from the freshmen, junior varsity or varsity rosters, which are maintained through the KHSAA member school website throughout the regular season.

Roster revisions must be made before the first date of the postseason when online rosters are closed and considered final.

No additional players may be added to the roster following that deadline, including those teams that advance to the state tournament.

The online, postseason roster may be printed from the KHSAA website as the valid listing of available participants.

This roster information is also used for advance preparations for state qualifying teams or individuals.

BYLAW 22 REMINDER

REQUIREMENT TO ACCOMPANY TEAM MEMBERS

You are reminded that KHSAA Bylaw 22 requires a principal, coach or another approved individual of the school to be present



along with any student-athlete who is representing a member school.

FINAL STATE SITE EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

EXPENSE ALLOWANCE REIMBURSEMENT RESTRICTIONS

GENERAL POLICY

- An expense allowance will be paid for teams traveling to field hockey, soccer, volleyball, football, basketball, baseball and softball tournaments.
- The total number of players and travel party reimbursed is twenty-four (24) for field hockey, volleyball, soccer, baseball and softball to include a partial allowance for twenty-one (21) players, plus three staff.
- The total number of players and travel party reimbursed is thirty-three (33) for basketball to include a partial allowance for fifteen (15) players and fifteen (15) cheerleaders, plus three (3) staff.
- The total number of players and travel party reimbursed is fifty-nine (59) for football.
- No reimbursement is paid for the individual sports of golf, cross country, swimming and diving, wrestling, tennis or track and field
- No reimbursement is paid for the sport-activities of cheer, dance, bowling, esports, archery or bass fishing.
- Schools inside a 40 mile, one-way radius from the event site will only be reimbursed as a commuting team.

MILEAGE

- Each team will be reimbursed \$2 per mile, round trip from the school address to the competition facility address for field hockey, volleyball, soccer, basketball, baseball and softball.
- Each team will be reimburse \$3 per mile, round trip from the school address to the competition facility address for football.
- Any mileage allowance will be for the round-trip distance from the school location to the host city, in accordance with mileage numbers provided by Google Maps.

COMMUTING TEAMS

- Each commuting team will be reimbursed mileage as detailed above, plus \$15 per player per contest played.

TEAMS USING LODGING

- Schools are responsible for the initial payment of all lodging bills and will be reimbursed the lodging allowance, provided it is utilized.
- If you are exempt from state sales tax, be prepared to show that verification to the hotel.
- Teams using lodging shall be paid for the actual nights used as verified by the property through the morning following elimination from the tournament.
- If housing is assigned to specific hotels, teams not commuting but failing to stay in the assigned property will only be reimbursed mileage for their participation.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR FANS AND PARTICIPANTS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR FAN CONDUCT

- The participating schools are responsible for the conduct of the fans supporting that team.
- Any and all steps including fines or other penalties will be levied in the event of mass entrance to the field, floor or competition area.

DAMAGE TO FACILITY

- The KHSAA will take whatever action is necessary, including fining the particular school and assessing the cost for repair, to those schools leaving the seating area in a damaged condition or destroying any venue property, including fences, gates and barriers that can be directly attributed to the student body or representatives of the school.
- The KHSAA will take whatever action is necessary, including fining the particular school and assessing the cost for repair to those schools leaving the seating area in a damaged condition or destroying any stadium property, including fences, gates



and barriers.

- Any school action in response to damage shall be completed within sixty days of the close of the event, after which time any damage will be submitted to the KHSAA insurance carrier with the damage-responsible school liable for likely subrogation and potential litigation.

OFFSETS TO EXPENSE ALLOWANCE REIMBURSEMENT FOR REIMBURSED TEAM SPORTS (FIELD HOCKEY, FOOTBALL, SOCCER, VOLLEYBALL)

- Any and all steps including fines or other penalties (including the withholding of team expense payments if such are paid in a particular sport or sport-activity) will be levied in the event of players or others entering the stands during or after a game.
- Expense allowance reimbursements (if such are paid in a particular sport or sport-activity) will be made net of any damages done to the stadium/stands/court or playing facility that can be directly attributed to the student body or representatives of the school.
- By requesting reimbursement (if such are paid in a particular sport or sport-activity), the school acknowledges liability for damage directly attributable to the school, student body or fans.

HEALTH INFORMATION

PHYSICAL EXAM FORM

Schools are reminded that they are responsible for ensuring parental permission to seek medical treatment is authorized for each participant.

The Principal, Athletic Director or Head Coach can use a copy of KHSAA Form GE04 (Physical Exam Form) for this purpose.

The form contains appropriate emergency treatment permission and should be brought for each athlete at the competition.

EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN

UK HealthCare Sports Medicine is the official Sports Medicine Partner for the KHSAA State Championships.

KHSAA staff will, in consultation with UK HealthCare Sports Medicine and venue personnel, develop an Emergency Action Plan (EAP) for this event.

An AED (and in many events, multiple AEDs) will be on site for use in the event of an emergency, including specific assignments to the designated on-site training staff.

The on-site training staff will also be responsible for any necessary monitoring of the wet bulb globe temperature and notification to KHSAA staff and the contest officials for determinations of any necessary adjustment to activity.

If an athlete or other team member is in need of emergency medical attention, contact the nearest KHSAA staff member, official, trainer or venue staff so emergency medical services can be immediately contacted.

An AED will also be located at the team check-in area.

ATHLETIC TRAINERS

The Association will use the services of UK HealthCare to provide trainers for the KHSAA state events, and in the event of disagreement, this group shall serve as the primary determinant of medical next steps.

Athletic Training Staff will be available beginning one (1) hour prior to the event and remain available throughout the day.

Individual school Athletic Trainers should be included in the distribution of Team Party passes.

INCLEMENT WEATHER PROCEDURES

In the event of inclement weather, it is the duty of the KHSAA, in consultation with the host facility, to make decisions in regards to postponement, rescheduling or cancelation, including getting proper notification to all teams, media outlets and schools.

Staff will utilize the KHSAA website and Twitter to provide updates as well as an emergency text notification system.

KHSAA officials will make every effort to learn the weather forecast prior to the start of competition as the safety of the public



and participants will be the most important factor in any decision.

HEAT INDEX PROGRAM

Tournament play will adhere to the KHSAA's Heat Index Program, which pertains to the outside temperature as well as monitoring the indoor temperature of venues without air conditioning.

Tournament administration will be responsible for tracking and implementing the program's guidelines.

Should the heat index reach 95 degrees, mandatory 10-minute water breaks will be given every 30 minutes.

At 99 degrees, play shall stop, and the heat index will be monitored every 30 minutes.

LIGHTNING/THUNDER POLICY

Working with the certified athletic trainer and facility staff, assigned tournament administration shall monitor and adhere to the KHSAA Board adopted policy regarding lightning and thunder. All competitions shall be suspended at the first sound of thunder or sight of lightning and shall be suspended a minimum of 30 minutes following any subsequent sound/sighting.

If it is anticipated that the storm will pass, competition may resume following a 15-minute warm-up period.

VIDEOTAPING, MEDIA AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

GENERAL MEDIA RIGHTS

At all levels of competition during postseason play, control of media access and location at those contests is with the KHSAA, and as such, there are necessary policies and restrictions concerning this event and these provisions will be vigorously enforced.

The intellectual property, corporate, broadcasting and media rights to all postseason rounds belong exclusively to the KHSAA, including titling agreements and sponsorships.

Control of media access and location at all levels of postseason play is with the KHSAA.

At all levels of KHSAA sponsored postseason events, including district, regional, first round, second round, quarterfinal and state competition, allowances shall be made for television media to record video of the contests, without play-by-play, at no charge as long as the sole purpose is for newscast highlights.

At all levels of KHSAA sponsored postseason events, including district, regional, first round, second round, quarterfinal and state competition, allowances shall be made for other media outlets to be admitted to the contests as long as the sole purpose is for reporting of the actions taking place at the contest and promoting the event.

Participating teams in KHSAA events shall be allowed to record the contest, for coaching purposes only, if space is available with such availability at the discretion of the KHSAA and may be required to sign a waiver indicating that the KHSAA shall be held blameless for any and all liability to those parties involved in the video recording.

Any video recording must not violate existing, acknowledged, written copyright protection or intellectual property agreements and cannot be broadcast in any form, including internet and social media.

If space is deemed available, the KHSAA has the right to designate a specific area for video recording and no video recording will be allowed outside of that area.

The determination of space availability is solely with the KHSAA and shall be equitable for all teams.

A freelance/commercial photographer is any person, including a school employee, not representing an established media outlet or a person who will capture images from the event.

SCHOOL MEDIA CREDENTIALS

Each school is permitted one (1) school media pass at KHSAA State Championship events, valid only for a student or full-time school employee, for the sole purpose of reporting the events for school internal publications.

Space permitting, school media may be granted floor access consistent with traditional media access.

Outside entities such as professional photographers, videographers or parents may not utilize the school media pass.

The school media pass may not be used for taking pictures that will later be sold as these individuals need to apply for a freelance/commercial photographer pass and pay the requisite fee.



This pass must be requested by a school administrator in advance of the start of the event at credentials.khsaa.org, which is included as a link at the end of these instructions.

TRADITIONAL MEDIA CREDENTIALS

Traditional media members (print, TV, radio, online) interested in covering KHSAA State Championship events should apply for credentials through the KHSAA's online system. A link to the credential application is included at the end of these instructions.

The deadline to apply is 3 p.m. the day before competition begins.

Applications should be submitted by the editor or director at each organization.

Complete information should be submitted for all attendees (including unique email addresses and cell phone numbers), as the KHSAA will use these methods to communicate information surrounding the event.

Media outlets may be limited during this event.

Freelance/commercial photographers, as defined herein, will not be granted access to KHSAA events unless the requisite media rights fee is paid.

KHSAA Media policies are outlined online at - <https://khsaa.org/news-stats-pubs/media-resources/media-credentials/>

MEDIA RIGHTS FEE

Freelance/commercial photographers as defined in these instructions and radio stations interested in originating a broadcast of a KHSAA State Championship event are subject to a media rights fee.

Information regarding the fee for each event is available through the online credentialing system.

TELECAST/WEBCAST INCLUDING NFHS NETWORK RESTRICTIONS

The KHSAA is a full member of the NFHS Network and as such, restrictions exist on all postseason levels.

A telecast, as used in these instructions, is a video, live or delayed account, including play-by-play, of any contest over the air.

A webcast, as used in these instructions, is a video, live or delayed account, including play-by-play, of any contest distributed using the internet.

The KHSAA is the only entity permitted to produce live or delayed video from state championship events including first round, second round, quarterfinal and state rounds, and is the sole authority for approval of any other.

No entity, unless given prior approval by the KHSAA shall be permitted to produce video telecasts or broadcasts, with the exception of approved media outlets solely recording highlights for news use.

No entity, including media members, may stream live video content during postseason events including the use of social media products such as Facebook® Live.

The mandated minimum fee schedule will be published annually by the Commissioner's office on the KHSAA website.

For all postseason play, all questions regarding live or delayed broadcast or telecast policies, including requests for approval shall be referred to the Media Relations and Publications Director for approval by the Commissioner.

MUSIC COPYRIGHT

KHSAA schools are reminded to adhere to all music copyright laws.

FILMING

External power sources may not be used by patrons.

Spectators may film with a hand-held camera from the spectator area, but may not in any manner transmit live video through any resource, including personal social media accounts.

Violators are subject to removal.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

The intellectual property, corporate, broadcasting and media rights to all state championship rounds of the KHSAA postseason belong exclusively to the KHSAA, including titling agreements and sponsorships.

No member school may approve or sign an agreement that includes rights to state contests (delayed or live).



The Commissioner is the manager of all state championship play.

EVENT MERCHANDISE

KHSAA State Championship apparel will be available for sale at the event and online at the following link - khsaa.teamip.com.

KHSAA State Championship apparel will be available for sale at the event and online post event via the TeamIP link on all pages of the KHSAA website.

TeamIP is the exclusive vendor of championship apparel, please look for their tent at the championship event to purchase memorabilia.

No outside merchandise representative of the event may be produced by any other entity and sold or distributed inside the playing facility.

OFFICIAL KHSAA CHAMPIONSHIP PHOTOS

The KHSAA pays for professional photography coverage of the event.

Official championship photos will be available for purchase through the KHSAA's online photo gallery within 72 hours of the completion of the event, khsaaphotos.org.



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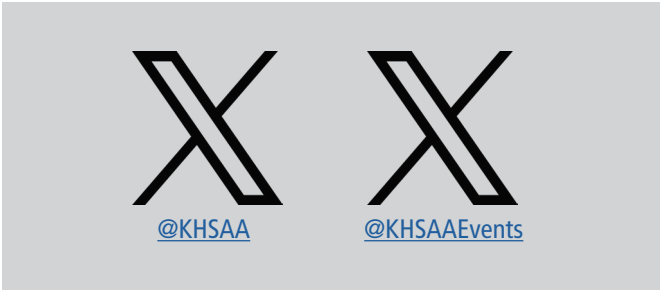
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FIELD HOCKEY SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

BRIEF WELCOME

Congratulations on behalf of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Board of Control and staff for advancing to the first round of the 2023 KHSAA State Field Hockey Tournament presented by UK HealthCare.

Refer to this manual and the important website links included at the end of the document to guide you through preparation for your participation.

KHSAA CONTACTS

The primary contact for field hockey is Assistant Commissioner Joe Angolia, (jangolia@khsaa.org).

If Mr. Angolia is unavailable, Assistant Commissioner Sarah Bridenbaugh (sbridenbaugh@khsaa.org) is the backup contact.

Media and statistics inquiries should be directed to Media Relations and Publications Director Connor Link (clink@khsaa.org).

Questions may also be directed to the KHSAA offices at (859) 299-5472 and any member of the staff can refer you to the correct party.

QUALIFYING FOR PARTICIPATION IN FIRST ROUND

Team champions and runners-up from the four (4) regional tournaments advance to the first round of the state tournament.

PRE-TOURNAMENT MATERIALS FOR STATE FIRST ROUND

Each regional manager has been shipped a large box in advance of the tournament.

Directions for handling the contents of this box are below:

- The box should be opened, and the envelope labeled "Region Runner-Up" should be held separately and given to the team that does not win the region championship contest.
 - o Contained in this envelope are the Team Party Passes (non-player and non-uniformed personnel) with instructions for use detailed in the First Round State instruction as to their use.
 - o Also contained in this box will be commemorative participant passes for each team member and others on the roster for state championship participation.
- In addition, the envelope labeled "Region Winner" should be held separately and given to the team that wins the region championship contests.
 - o Contained in this envelope are the Team Party Passes (non-player and non-uniformed personnel) with instructions for use detailed in the First Round State instruction as to their use.
 - o Also contained in this box will be commemorative participant passes for each team member and others on the roster for state championship participation.
- The remainder of the items in the larger box are to be given to the Region winner for use in managing the State First Round.
- Once opened by the Region winning team, there will be an additional box labeled "Quarterfinal winner", which should not be opened, and should simply taken to the State First State game to be given to the winning team.
 - o Contained in this box are the Team Party Passes (non-player and non-uniformed personnel) with instructions for use detailed in the State Final Rounds (both semifinals and finals) with instruction as to their use.
- The remainder of the material in the larger brown box is for the Region winner to use in managing the State First Round Game and contains:
 - o Copies of instructions;
 - o Opening Round banners to be posted in a conspicuous location along with ties to hang them;
 - o An allocation of State First Round Staff Passes to clearly identify those that are front line and customer facing for the event;



- o An allocation of State First Round Media Passes to clearly identify those that are properly credentialed.

COMPETITION DATES AND SCHEDULE

FIRST ROUND SCHEDULE

Field hockey first round games are to be played on Thursday, Oct. 19.

All game times shall be 7 p.m. local time unless otherwise approved by the Commissioner's office.

First round pairings determining the host school are based on a regional draw.

The complete bracket is included as a link at the end of these instructions.

GAME MANAGER DUTIES

TICKETS AND FAN ADMISSION

Schools are reminded that this is not a "home" game for either team and as such, the ticketing policies shall be the same for all competing teams.

All field hockey first round tickets will be sold online via GoFan, the KHSAA's official digital ticket vendor.

There shall be no paper tickets permitted to be sold at the walk-up gate.

A link for fans to purchase the digital tickets will be provided to all participating schools to assist in this information being distributed.

All state first round ticket prices are \$10 each in advance, including all fees.

The day of the event, the ticket price will be \$12, fees included.

Kentucky Children's Hospital is sponsoring FREE tickets for all children 10-and-under. To receive these tickets, you must "purchase" these seats through khsaatickets.org even though there will be no charge.

Only the KHSAA issued Commonwealth Card will be honored for admission for one individual plus a guest for the Superintendent, Principal and Athletic Director of each participating school.

No coaches association or licensed officials cards will be honored for admission at the state event.

GoFan's training page for buying and validating the tickets is included as a link at the end of these instructions.

PRE-EVENT

Refer to the KHSAA Handbook to review the rules and regulations governing field hockey tournaments and also familiarize yourself with the KHSAA Competition Rules.

Remind your opponent that the host school shall be the home team and wear light-colored uniforms.

The Game Manager is permitted to hire certain specific positions, with specific maximum allowable rates of pay, to staff the contests, including:

- Game Manager;
- Officials Liaison and Manager;
- Public Address Announcer;
- Scoreboard Operator;
- Official Scorer;
- Statistician, maximum one (1) person per game, if providing complete equipment and service;
- Uniform Security at rate agreed by KHSAA prior to contest(s); and
- Medical/Training Services at rate agreed by KHSAA prior to contest(s).

Unless a worker is doing different jobs on different days, one worker should not have multiple roles, such as the PA announcer also working the clock.

No other payment for workers or other costs can be made without prior authorization from Assistant Commissioner Angolia.



HOST SITE ADMINISTRATOR

The KHSAA requires a tournament administrator at the host site to ensure all non-game-related occurrences have dedicated personnel's attention. Responsibilities include but are not limited to, working with officials, assisting in emergency situations on- or off-the-field, reporting scores, filing financial forms, etc.

Due to a coach's need to focus on the team, the Association requires this individual to be someone other than a member of the coaching staff.

DURING THE GAME

Prior to the start of the contest, home game management shall identify themselves to both the opponent's administrators and the officials and establish a designated area where they can be reached in the event of an emergency.

During your sportsmanship announcements, remind fans that foul language and harassment of officials will not be tolerated and could result in being removed from the stadium.

Have the officials escorted to the locker room and/or parking lot after the game.

POST GAME

Each Game Manager is to report scores to the Riherd's.com/KHSAA Scoreboard online. Scores can be reported utilizing the link in the daily scoreboard email, emailing scheduleentry@khsaa.org or by calling into the scoreboard at 1-800-453-6882.

Failure to report the scores could result in a fine.

Each Game Manager is to complete and submit Form GE88 (First round Game Financial Report) to the KHSAA, including itemized expenses, within one week of the tournament using the link at the end of these instructions.

No expense item may be listed on the form without prior approval from the KHSAA and Game Managers are reminded not to pay any visiting team's expenses or officials.

Officials should be paid by KHSAA.

Upon receipt of Form GE88, the KHSAA will send checks to the permitted game staff, whose names, email addresses and current mailing addresses must be included for each worker. Alternatively, host sites can receive a lump sum and pay workers individually.

LIMITATIONS AND SUBSTITUTIONS

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Teams may dress a maximum of 24 players in uniform per contest.

Those 24 selected can rotate each match as long as they appear on the postseason roster.

No other players outside of the 24 designated as eligible for each match may be in uniform or participate in pre-game activities, including warm-up activities.

All non-uniformed team members who are not essential to game management shall be seated in the bleachers or general seating.

CONDUCTING THE EVENT

FORMAT OF EVENT

The first round is a single-elimination event and NFHS playing rules will be utilized without exception.

FIELD SPECIFICATIONS

Each host should prepare the facility for tournament play, making sure to use the proper specifications set forth in the NFHS Field Hockey Rulebook.

A link to the NFHS field diagram is included as a link at the end of these instructions.

BALL BOYS/BALL GIRLS

A minimum of two (2) ball boys/ball girls must be used for each game and should be identified before play begins.

It is recommended that each participating team provide at least one (1) ball boy or ball girl to not disrupt the flow of the action.



CONTEST COMPLETION REMINDER

Every contest must have a winner.

Games tied at the end of regulation will continue with a sudden-victory overtime as detailed below:

- 10 MINUTE, 7-VS.-7 SUDDEN VICTORY (SIX FIELD PLAYERS PLUS A GOALKEEPER)
 - o Five (5) minute intermission after regulation.
 - o Flip coin for pass back, teams keep same ends.
 - o Any seven (7) players may play, substitutions are unlimited during this overtime period.
 - o Three (3) defenders plus the goalkeeper may be back on corners during 7-vs.-7.
- FIRST SET OF PENALTY STROKES (NOT SUDDEN VICTORY)
 - o Five (5) minute intermission after 7-vs.-7.
 - o Flip coin for who will defend/stroke first.
 - o The five (5) stokers can come from any player on your roster.
 - o Coaches must turn in the order of their stokers which cannot change when play resumes.
 - o The teams will alternately stroke and defend.
 - o Stokes shall be terminated if one team has a goal advantage that cannot be overcome by the opposing team.
 - o The official shall first ask the goalkeeper, and then the stoker, to verbally verify that they are ready.
 - o A lack of response shall indicate readiness.
 - o The stroke begins with the official's whistle.
 - o The stoker must take the stroke within five (5) seconds of the whistle being blown.
 - o The stoker may take one step with either foot toward the goal.
- SECOND SET OF PENALTY STROKES (NOT SUDDEN VICTORY)
 - o Five (5) minute intermission.
 - o The team that defended in the first set shall stroke first in this set.
 - o The stokers and/or their order may be changed for the second set and can come from any player on the roster.
- THIRD SET OF PENALTY STROKES (SUDDEN VICTORY)
 - o Five (5) minute intermission.
 - o The team that defended in the first set shall defend first in this set.
 - o The stokers and/or their order may be changed for the third set and can come from any player on the roster.
 - o Each team gets an equal number of strokes until someone wins.
 - o If no one wins after five (5) stokers for each team, you repeat this until one team wins.
- ALL PERIODS
 - o The officials will choose the goal that will be used for the strokes.
 - o All varsity games will go into overtime.

MERCY RULE

If a team has a 10 goal lead at the end of the first half or at any point in the second half, the game will be terminated.

If a team has a five (5) goal lead at any point in the game, the clock will not stop when additional goals are scored.

This rule is to be observed in both regular season and postseason play.

OFFICIATING ASSIGNMENTS AND FEES

The assigning secretary who normally services the first round hosts will assign the respective officials.



As of 2023, KHSAA will handle payment of officials.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR TEAMS ADVANCING

The four (4) winning teams in the first round advance to the final site of the KHSAA State Field Hockey Tournament for the semifinals and finals on Saturday, Oct. 21 and Monday, Oct. 23, respectively.

State Tournament Instructions for Participants and Fans will be released for those advancing to the final site.

Please be on the lookout for those should your school advance.

TEAM INFORMATION FORM (GE63)

By Friday, Oct. 20, the Athletic Director or Designated Representative from all teams advancing to the semifinals must submit form GE63 (Team Information Form), which is included as a link at the end of these instructions.

IMPORTANT WEBSITE LINKS

- [KHSAA Field Hockey Website](#)
- [Healthy at Sports, State 5 - Partnering for Progress, Guidance for Continued Practice and Competition During the Pandemic](#)
- [Competition Rules](#)
- [Bracket](#)
- [GoFan Ticket Training](#)
- [NFHS Field Diagram](#)
- [GE63 - Team Information Form](#)
- [GE88 - First Round Financial Report](#)
- [Heat Index Program](#)



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