

## Message from the League Game Scheduler

### FOR THE 2016 PORTION OF THE SEASON:

#### Schedule Changes

A minimum of Seven (7) days written notice (email [rrharris@spectraenergy.com](mailto:rrharris@spectraenergy.com) is required to cancel scheduled league games. Remember to cancel scheduled league games with the Ringette Calgary Game Scheduler, NOT your Quadrant's Division Coordinator or Ice Scheduler or the Ringette Calgary Referee Assignor. It is the canceling coach's responsibility to notify the opposing coach.

The team that cancels is responsible for contacting their Quadrant's ice scheduler regardless if they are the home team or visiting team. The canceling team's Quadrant ice scheduler will then make the appropriate arrangements with the League Scheduler to ensure the game is rescheduled and arrange for referees. **Please note, a minimum of five (5) days is required to book officials for rescheduled league games.** Rescheduled games are subject to referee and ice availability. If a visiting team cancels the game and has to reschedule, they remain the visiting team for the rescheduled game, even though their Quadrant's ice may be used.

All teams at all levels are allowed **up to one (1) potential game or weekend** to "reschedule" (providing ice is available and teams availability works). Of course a team may apply for as many 2016 tournaments as they want to however, if they have already used their reschedule and another tournament results in a cancellation of a scheduled league game(s), the opposing team will be awarded 2 pts for a win of the game. The score will be recorded as 2-0 and the league game will not be rescheduled.

Teams are also allowed to attend their association's home tournament, Games will be scheduled around this date for the home association's teams (only one tournament allowed per association).

### FOR THE 2017 PORTION OF THE SEASON:

#### 2017 Tournament Weekends "Blocked Off" from League Play:

**Up to one (1) potential tournament weekend, in addition to the 2017 Esso Golden Ring Tournament** is available to your team to "block off" from scheduled 2017 league games. When making your tournament selection, please pay attention to when your playoffs would be. Tournaments selected during the playoffs or playdowns may not be automatically granted.

**WRITTEN NOTIFICATION** of your team's potential 2017 tournament "blocked off" weekend, must be submitted to your Quadrant Ice scheduler **no later than Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016.** SUBMISSIONS AFTER THIS DATE **WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.** Teams are allowed to block off a maximum of 4 days to attend a tournament.

Of course a team may apply for as many 2017 tournaments as they want to. However, if a team participates in a 2017 tournament that was not previously identified as their "blocked off" weekend and it results in a cancellation of a scheduled league game(s) the opposing team will be awarded 2 pts for a win of the game. The score will be recorded as 2-0 and the league game will not be rescheduled.

#### Schedule Changes:

In the 2017 portion of the season, games **WILL NOT** be rescheduled. Only under exceptional circumstances such as facility or weather conditions (participation in tournaments, exhibition games or fundraisers do not qualify) will the rescheduling of league games be **CONSIDERED.**

For all games cancelled in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of a season the non-cancelling team maintains use of the ice slot so they can either practice or set up an exhibition game. If both teams need to cancel then the ice must be turned back to the quadrant ice scheduler.

### **30 BUSINESS DAYS NOTICE FOR CITY ICE CANCELLATIONS:**

Your team/quadrant will be held responsible for full payment of late cancellation.

**REMEMBER** it is your responsibility to ensure that all ice allocated to your team is used or returned to your Quadrant ice scheduler. It reflects poorly on our sport to let the ice sit empty. It could result in serious consequences i.e. losing that particular ice slot permanently, given the Calgary ice shortage we are currently experiencing. Should an ice time sit empty, the team or teams assigned that ice time **could be fined \$250** per team.

Cooperation off-ice and competition on-ice will make this the best Ringette season yet. Play fair and have fun!

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