

Ice Sourcing, Allocation and Management

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ICE SOURCING, ALLOCATION and MANAGEMENT

Definitions

Refer to the Northwest Calgary Ringette Society (NWR) Bylaw definitions.

Ice Sourcing

- 1. Practice ice will be sourced mainly from Community and City of Calgary Arenas when required, out of town ice may also be acquired.
- 2. Ice is also provided to NWR by Ringette Calgary based on need.
- 3. The NWR Director of Facilities will search out and contract any ice that is suitable for NWR's requirements.

Ice Allocation and Management

- 4. Ice allocation will be completed by a third-party service or by the NWR scheduler. In any situation that there is a conflict of interest the President will be consulted.
- 5. The scheduler will allocate the available practice ice to teams in as timely a manner as possible.
- 6. Teams must use all assigned practice and game ice. Teams are permitted to trade practice ice only with other NWR teams.



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- a. Teams who leave ice empty, with no notice or attempt to fill the ice slot may be subject to disciplinary action.
- b. Absences/ No shows reflect poorly on NWR and jeopardize our renewals the following year. If your team is unable to use assigned ice, you can:
 - i. Place the practice in the practice pool with a minimum of 72-hour notice, however a replacement practice will not be provided.
 - ii. Contact other coaches to arrange a practice trade. Send details to the Scheduler, so the schedule can be updated.
 - iii. If it is less that the 72-hour time frame, contact the scheduler immediately stating the reason the ice cannot be used. The scheduler will provide guidance/assistance, where possible.
- 7. Teams are required to abide by Chinook Ringette League (CRL) policy and tournament blocking procedures. No other special requests will be permitted.
 - a. See <u>CRL Rules & Regulations</u>.
- 8. Practice ice will be distributed fairly and equitably to all teams.
- 9. In so much as it is possible, all teams will be assigned 1 practice per week (more ice will be allocated as available). Only "home" ice will be taken into consideration, as the scheduler does not have control over away games.
- 10. Scheduling considerations include:
 - a. number of ice times per week
 - b. early morning and late evening ice times
 - c. weekday vs. weekend ice times
 - d. half ice vs. full ice

Note:

Typically, early morning ice times are reserved for U12 teams and below, as the older teams will be assigned late evening ice times.

Teams can expect to have an average of one game and one shared practice per week. Additional practices may be available when ice is available.

Calgary has a shortage of arena facilities, and the sport of ringette struggles to obtain ice slots, especially during the week. Most NWR ice times are on weekends, therefore, teams who travel on weekends for tournaments cannot assume a weekday practice the following week.

Post-Season Ice Allocation

11. Once a team's season has concluded—either through elimination from further competition or the scheduled end of play—no additional ice time will be assigned. Teams may request extra ice following the end of their season; however, priority will be given to teams that are still actively competing.

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Cross-Reference

Chinook Ringette League Policies

Revision History

Date	Action Taken
Feb 9, 2025	Reformatted. Ringette Calgary replaced with Chinook Ringette League. VP Ops replaced with President. Post-season ice allocation added.
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