

2025 Broomball Bulletin

All managers must read the bulletin carefully before registering. All registrations are final, no refunds unless due to medical/illness or program cancellation. All players on the roster must be at least 18 years of age and adhere to the sport rules and rules listed in this bulletin. Participants waive, release & discharge any & all claims for damages for personal injury, death or property damage which may have, or which may hereafter accrue to players as a result of participation from this activity. Teams must remain in good standing with the MPRB athletic program.

General Information:

1. Team Registration
 - a. All registration will be done online.
 - b. Registration begins Tuesday, October 22nd at 7:00am
2. League Fees
 - a. \$325.00 for 6 games
3. League fees are based on **6 games**. Teams will be scheduled for **6 games w/ 5 being guaranteed (not counting forfeits.)** Make up games will be scheduled or refunds given to teams playing less than the 6 games. The first league cancellation (entire league) will be rescheduled.
4. Minneapolis City Broomball Tournament (details pg. 3)
 - a. \$50.00 fee
 - b. Registration due by January 17, 2025 (separate from league registration)
 - c. Only regular season MPRB teams with a completed roster on file will be allowed in the city tournament.
5. Player Registration
 - a. Rosters will be completed by managers.
 - b. Maximum of 20 people allowed on the roster.
 - c. Playing of non-registered or ineligible players is an automatic forfeit if protested (in writing) by opponent within 48 hours of league competition or before the game is completed during the city tournament.

Days of Play:

- Sundays: Jan 5, 12, 19, 26, Feb 2, 9
 - Mondays: Jan 6, 13, 20, 27 Feb 3, 10
 - Tuesdays: Jan 7, 14, 21, 28, Feb 4, 11
 - Wednesdays: Jan 8, 15, 22, 29, Feb 5, 12
 - Thursdays: Jan 9, 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 13
- *Additional Saturday's may be scheduled as make up if necessary

League Play:

1. Official Outdoor Ball: manufactured by Baden or Acacia
2. Guaranteed 5 games (scheduled for 6).

- a. Teams that do not play at least 5 games due to weather cancellations (forfeits against do not count) will be issued refunds.
3. Game Time: (2) 25-minute running time halves with the final 3 minutes of the 2nd half stop time only if there is a one goal difference.

Uniforms/Equipment:

- Teams must have some form of distinguished markings such as jerseys, jackets, scrimmage jerseys, etc.
- It is recommended that teams have both a light and dark jersey available to them.
- Goalie Equipment Required: Hockey helmet with facemask (no football helmets)
 - Prohibited equipment: goalie style hockey leg pads, catcher's mitt (baseball or hockey)
- MPRB does not provide any personal playing equipment (i.e., shoes, stick)
- Leg pads need to be covered.
- **Helmets are highly recommended and encouraged.**

Playing Rules: Minneapolis operates under closed competition (allows exception from ABA Broomball Alliance Rule Book to fulfill our recreational needs). ABA Broomball Rules will govern all play locally with the following exceptions.

1. Bench area on same side of the rink for both teams
2. Icing: Called for all levels of play
 - a. Ball cleared from defensive zone through the attacking zone beyond the opponent's goal line. Goal tender must be in the crease or retreating to the crease and **not** play the ball for icing to be called.
 - b. If ball goes through the crease (not in goal) icing is waived
 - c. Instant icing will be called, does not have to be touched by either team (quick whistle)
3. Stick Checking: Stick may be lifted at the ball but not slashed or held.
 - a. If a player attempts to disrupt another player's swing by extending their broom into the arc of the shot from behind, interference may be called depending on the severity of the attempt to prevent play.
4. Delayed Offside: called like hockey, delayed until all offending players clear the zone.
 - a. Offsides faceoff spot – offending teams blue line faceoff spot (6 person)
5. Delayed Penalty: if delayed penalty may lead to further altercations, whistle will be blown immediately, and penalties will be assessed.
6. Ball Handling: use of hand or foot
 - a. Hand: the ball cannot be held on the ice or intentionally directed to a teammate (1 zone penalty)
 - b. Kicking the Ball: A player or goaltender may kick the ball in any direction while the ball is on the ice. If the attacking team kicks the ball into the opposing teams goal crease, an immediate whistle will occur. No player or goaltender shall "punt" or "drop kick" a ball at any time, if this violation occurs, a minor penalty shall be assessed.
 - i. You may kick the ball twice, but the third contact must be by a stick.
7. Playing the ball waist to shoulder is a turnover.
 - a. Turnovers are face-offs and penalized 1 zone.
8. Playing the ball above the shoulder will result in a 2-minute penalty.

9. Checking: **No body checking allowed**
 - a. To be a body check, player must be playing the opponent's body in an attempt to gain control of the ball.
 - b. Not defined as two players coming together and making contact while attempting to play the ball.
10. Crease Rule: nobody in crease but the goalie when the ball is not in the crease. When the ball is in the crease, anybody is allowed in the crease.
11. Penalties assessed: 2-minute minor, 5-minute major & 10-minute misconduct.
12. Faceoffs will be used when ball is frozen by the goalie or the net is knocked out of place. All other turnovers result in a faceoff with the offending team penalized 1 zone.

Divisions: Contact the league director if you are unsure about your classification

Division of Play	Classification
Men's 6, Women's 6, Co-Ed 6 & Open 6	B & C Leagues
Men's 8, Co-Ed 8 & Open 8	B & C Leagues

1. A player may register & play in only one classification in any division of championship play. However, individuals can play on a Men's or Women's team and also play Co-Ed or Open.
2. **Upper B division:** It is recommended that teams registering for the A division have a majority of players that have played in MPRB or other leagues and finished in the top 3 spots consistently. Teams should be ready for a high level of play.
3. **B division:** Teams who have experience playing and are looking for a competitive game. Majority of teams fall into this category. When possible, we may offer upper/lower leagues.
4. **Lower B division:** Less competitive B teams – closer to a recreation league
5. **C division:** Teams are looking for a recreation/non-competitive league. Also includes teams who are newer to the sport and still learning the rules, equipment and how the game is played.
6. **Open League:** No gender requirements, more recreational type leagues. **Not intended for an all-male team.**
7. Please register for the appropriate division and level of play. League director reserves the right to change the classification status of a team that is believed to be registered incorrectly.

City Tournament Logistics: [Single elimination for all Leagues & Classifications](#)

1. Seeding: Tournament seeding will be left to the sole discretion of the league director. When possible, the team with the better record will get the higher seed.
2. A & B tournament teams are determined during the season. It is possible to be placed in the opposite division from league play based on season record.
3. Weather permitting the tournament will be take place on the following dates:
 - a. Friday, Jan 31, Saturday, Feb 1, Friday Feb 7, and Saturday Feb 8 (Championship games played at Parade Ice Gardens).
 - b. Weekend game times can be morning, afternoons or nights.

Broomball Rink Locations:

Site	Address	Phone/Additional Info
*Shingle Creek	2010 50 th Ave N.	612.370.4833
McRae #1	906 E 47 th Street	612.370.4909
Logan	680 13 th Ave NE	612.370.4927
Longfellow	3435 36 th Ave S.	612.370.4957
Windom NE	2251 Hayes St NE	612.370.4905

***Shingle Creek is replacing Bryn Mawr due to construction**

Game Details:

- Monday – Thursday games: 6pm, 7pm, 8pm and 9pm
- Saturday & Sunday games: 12:30pm, 1:30pm, 2:30pm, 3:30pm and 4:30pm
- Super Bowl Sunday – games will begin at 11am
- Officials will be scheduled for each game.

Standings:

- Posted online with the schedule.
- Win=2 pts, Tie=1 pt, Loss=0 pts

Role of Managers:

Team managers in all MPRB programs serve as liaison between their respective teams and the athletics office. Below are the duties of the manager with respect to this year’s program.

1. Make sure you have a full team and at least one reserve for every game.
2. Do not let your players face suspension by allowing them to argue a call.
3. You are responsible for taking charge of your team’s & your spectator’s conduct. Abusive language, improper drinking, littering and other irresponsible acts will not be tolerated.
4. Any schedule information, changes, make-ups or other league information will be sent to you. It is your responsibility to pass this information along to your team.
5. Know the rules. Tell your players the rules. Knowing the rules will help the game run smoothly and allow your team to concentrate on playing.

Player Conduct:

- Assaults and indignities to players or officials will result in automatic suspension from participating in Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board athletic leagues.
 - All game ejections will result in a one game suspension, which can carry over from regular season to playoffs and from playoffs to next season.
 - The league director retains the right to make suspensions longer or remove players from the league at any time.
 - The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board reserves the right to modify any rule during the season at the sole discretion of the league director.

Player Eligibility for City Tournament:

- A non-registered or ineligible player participating in a game is an automatic forfeiture provided a protest is filed with proof to the athletic staff before conclusion of the game.

- Should a player refuse to cooperate, it will be assumed that the player in question is ineligible and the game will be forfeited.
- Players are asked to have a driver's license or ID card for verification when a protest is requested.

Penalty for violation of eligibility rules:

- Suspension of the ineligible player for the remainder of the season
- Suspension of the manager if they were aware of the violation.
- Loss of all games in which they participated and protest was filed.

8 Player Rules:

1. No offsides (all divisions)
2. Windmill shot allowed (men's league only).
3. **Co-Ed 8 player leagues**
 - a. Windmill shot will not be allowed.
 - b. Head of broom must remain below the shoulder on the backswing and follow through.
 - c. A team may start and complete a game with 7 players.
 - d. Team composition on the ice is 4 males & 4 females. If a team has 7 players, they must play with either combination of 4 & 3.
 - e. If a male is injured during play, he may be replaced by a female player.
4. **Open 8 player leagues**
 - a. Windmill shot will not be allowed.
 - b. Head of broom must remain below the shoulder on the backswing and follow through.
 - c. A team may start and complete a game with 7 players.
 - d. Team composition can be comprised of any combination of male & female players.

6 Player Rules:

1. Windmill shots are allowed.
2. Playing the ball with the stick below the waist is ok.
3. Offsides will be enforced on rinks with a blue line otherwise it will be played red line in / red line out.
4. A team must have 6 players to start the game or a forfeit will be declared.
5. Co-Ed 6 player leagues
 - a. Team composition on the ice is 3 males & 3 females.

Gender Assignment for Sports Leagues

1. MPRB recognizes that gender identity and expression are more complex than sex assignment. Because the MPRB values all gender identities and expressions, we are developing a comprehensive gender inclusion action plan to support everyone in participating in MPRB programs and activities.
2. You can ask for more information about this inclusive plan or share your ideas with the policymakers by contacting league director.
3. **MPRB Leagues**
 - a. MPRB Open Leagues: Sports leagues without gender restrictions for play and field/court position.
 - b. MPRB Co-Ed & Women's Leagues: Players must select one of two options (female/male) to meet current league rules and requirements. If your gender identity does not match your sex assignment, please contact the league director prior to the start of the season to accommodate these requirements.

League Options:
Men's Leagues

Division	Class	Day of Play	Location
6 players	Upper B	Monday	McRae #1
6 players	Lower B	Monday	Van Cleve & Longfellow
6 players	B	Tuesday	Shingle Creek #1 & #2
6 players	B	Tuesday	Windom NE
8 players	C	Wednesday	Logan
6 players	Upper B	Thursday	Longfellow

Women's Leagues

Division	Class	Day of Play	Location
6 players	B	Tuesday	McRae #1

Co-Ed Leagues

Division	Class	Day of Play	Location
8 players	Lower B	Sunday	Shingle Creek #1
6 players	Upper B	Sunday	Logan
6 players	Lower B	Sunday	Longfellow
8 players	B	Sunday	McRae #1
8 players	B	Sunday	Windom NE
8 players	Lower B	Sunday	Van Cleve
8 players	Lower B	Monday	Shingle Creek #1
6 players	B	Monday	Logan
8 players	Lower B	Monday	Windom NE
8 players	B	Tuesday	Logan
6 players	Lower B	Tuesday	Van Cleve
6 players	B	Wednesday	Longfellow
8 players	Lower B	Wednesday	McRae #1
8 players	Upper B	Wednesday	Windom NE
8 players	Lower B	Thursday	Shingle Creek #2
8 players	Lower B	Thursday	Logan
8 players	B	Thursday	McRae
6 players	B	Thursday	Windom NE

Open Leagues

Division	Class	Day of Play	Location
8 players	C	Sunday	Shingle Creek #2
8 players	C	Monday	Shingle Creek #2
6 players	C	Wednesday	Van Cleve
8 players	C	Thursday	Shingle Creek #1
6 players	C	Thursday	Van Cleve