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The Open Book Rules Exam has been designed to present general game situations. Its purpose is a teaching tool for all officials to reinforce their rule knowledge and the location of each rule within the rulebook.

Suggested References: *This test is based on the 2013-17 Official Rules of Ice Hockey and the most current versions of the Basic, Intermediate and Advanced Officiating Manuals. The rulebook is available in hardcopy (shipped to you following membership registration) and is available online at usahockey.com. The most current versions of the manuals are available at usahockey.com.*

SUGGESTED PROCEDURE: Write your answer and the rule reference next to each question in this booklet, in addition to marking your answer on the answer sheet provided.

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Level 1 applicants are only required to answer questions 1-50. All other applicants must answer all 100 questions.

TRUE OR FALSE

- At a face-off, the attacking player shall be the first to place his stick on the ice, except for a center ice face-off where the visiting team player shall be the first to place his stick on the ice.
 - It is required that all goalkeepers wear a hanging throat/neck laceration protector.
 - During a penalty shot, once the player taking the shot has touched the puck, it must be kept in motion toward the opponent's goal line and once it is shot the play shall be considered complete.
 - The use of tobacco products or alcoholic beverages by any team player or team official is prohibited in the rink area.
 - Either team may use a time-out for the purpose of warming up their goalkeeper, regardless as to which team called the time-out.
 - The penalty options for hooking include Minor, Major, Major plus Game Misconduct or Match Penalty.
 - On-ice officials should enter the ice surface prior to warm-ups and remain on the ice at the conclusion of each period until all players have exited to their dressing rooms.
 - If the puck enters the goal during a potential icing situation, the goal shall be disallowed.
 - NEW RULE:** It is mandatory that all players (except Adults) wear a current (unexpired date) HECC approved helmet (including ear protection) with chin strap properly fastened.
 - A player is considered "off-side" when the player does not have skate contact with any part of the neutral zone or the blue line when the puck crosses the determining edge of the blue line.
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- ### MULTIPLE CHOICE
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- Play shall be stopped immediately when the puck comes to rest on the netting on top of the goal frame. This is true because of rule:
(a) Rule 631 (b)
(b) Rule 632 (a)
(c) Rule 614 (c)
- A goal shall not be allowed if an attacking player kicks the puck directly into the goal or a kicked puck deflects off any player, including the goalkeeper, prior to entering the goal. This is true because of rule:
(a) Rule 610 (b)
(b) Rule 632 (c)
(c) Rule 617 (c,1)
- The penalty options for cross-checking are Minor, Major or Major plus Game Misconduct. This is true because of rule:
(a) Rule 609 (a & b)
(b) Rule 602 (a)
(c) Rule 402 (b)
- When a player receives a Major penalty and a Minor penalty at the same time, the Major penalty shall be served first by the penalized player. This is true because of rule:
(a) Rule 403 (c)
(b) Rule 402 (e)
(c) Rule 401 (b)
- No goalkeepers shall be entitled to exercise the privileges of captain. This is true because of rule:
(a) Rule 201 (c)
(b) Rule 202 (a)
(c) Rule 501 (d)

16. A player who verbally abuses an official using obscene or abusive language is initially penalized under what rule?
 (a) Rule 601 (d)
 (b) Rule 601 (b)
 (c) Rule 601 (c)
17. A Minor penalty shall be assessed to a player who interferes with or impedes an opponent who is not in possession of the puck. This action is penalized under what rule?
 (a) Rule 622(a)
 (b) Rule 625(a)
 (c) Rule 623(a)
18. A Minor penalty shall be assessed to any player who makes stick contact with an opposing goalkeeper while he is in his goal crease and who has covered or caught the puck, regardless of whether or not the referee has stopped play. This is true because of rule:
 (a) 625 (c)
 (b) 634 (c)
 (c) 634 (d)
19. No goal may be scored with an attacking player in the goal crease unless the puck has preceded the player(s) into the goal crease or the goalkeeper is out of the goal crease area. This is true because of rule:
 (a) 617 (a)
 (b) 625 (b)
 (c) 614 (b)
20. **NEW RULE:** Each official is required to wear a black hockey helmet, with chin strap properly fastened and a half-shield visor properly attached to their helmet. This is true because of rule:
 (a) 304 (c)
 (b) 501 (c)
 (c) 502 (b)
21. The use of the slap shot in the Youth and Girls' 10 & under age classifications and below is prohibited. This is true because of rule:
 (a) 617 (a)
 (b) 617 (b)
 (c) 621 (d)
22. A Match penalty shall be assessed to any player or team official who deliberately inflicts physical harm, or attempts to do so, to any game official, including off-ice officials. This is true because of rule:
 (a) 601 (f.1)
 (b) 601 (c.1)
 (c) 601 (d.1)
23. A Major plus Game Misconduct penalty shall be assessed to any player who injures an opponent as a result of slashing. This is true because of rule:
 (a) 634 (b)
 (b) 625 (b)
 (c) 602 (b)
24. Excluding Adults, if a player's helmet/facemask comes off during play, the referee or linesman shall stop play immediately. This is true because of rule:
 (a) 304 (e)
 (b) 309 (a)
 (c) 305 (a)
25. **NEW RULE:** Which of the following is not a penalty option for head contact?
 (a) Major plus Game Misconduct penalty.
 (b) Minor penalty only.
 (c) Match penalty.
26. Anytime a team from a Body Contact category plays a team from a Body Checking category:
 (a) Coaches must agree before the game if body checking will be allowed.
 (b) Body checking shall be prohibited.
 (c) Body checking shall be allowed if the home team plays in a Body Checking category.
27. The official scorer shall obtain on the scoresheet the signatures of all coaches for each team, one of whom shall be designated as the head coach:
 (a) At the completion of the game.
 (b) Anytime during the game.
 (c) Prior to start of the game.
28. A player or team official incurring a Match penalty shall be suspended from participating in:
 (a) Any USA Hockey game involving that team only.
 (b) Any USA Hockey game and practices involving that team only.
 (c) Any USA Hockey game and practices.
29. At the completion of the game, the referee determines he accidentally assessed a Major plus Misconduct penalty (instead of Game Misconduct) for checking from behind. The correct course of action is:
 (a) Change the misconduct to a game misconduct on the scoresheet.
 (b) Let the penalty stand as assessed (no action taken).
 (c) File a game report to the local governing body (through the local supervisor).
30. Any player who uses his hand to rub, grab or hold the facemask of an opponent shall be assessed what penalty?
 (a) Minor penalty.
 (b) Major plus Game Misconduct penalty.
 (c) Match penalty.
31. Which of the following is NOT part of the definition of a "breakaway?"
 (a) Player is in possession and control of the puck.
 (b) Player is beyond the center red line.
 (c) There is no opponent between the player and opposing goalkeeper.

32. A team must start the game with a minimum of how many players?
- Six players.
 - Five skaters and one goalkeeper.
 - Three players and one goalkeeper.
33. When a puck enters a goal by directly deflecting off an official anywhere on the ice, which of the following is true?
- Goal is allowed; the resulting face-off is at center ice.
 - Goal is disallowed; the resulting face-off is last play.
 - Goal is disallowed; the resulting face-off shall take place at the nearest end zone face-off spot of the goal the puck entered.
34. When should the official conducting the face-off blow his whistle?
- At the conclusion of the line change procedure.
 - Immediately before dropping the puck.
 - Only if he thinks the players aren't getting into position quickly enough.
35. **FROM THE BASIC MANUAL:** Proper positioning will allow an official to:
- Maintain an adequate field of vision.
 - Stay out of the way of play.
 - Both (a) and (b).
36. **FROM THE BASIC MANUAL:** When making an off-side call, the official should be standing:
- Outside the blue line as play enters the attacking zone (in the neutral zone).
 - Inside the blue line as play enters the attacking zone (In the end zone).
 - Directly on the blue line.
37. Under the Standard of Play initiative, interference should be called when the following occurs:
- A player maintains foot speed and body position between the opponent and the puck without changing his skating lane.
 - Players are competing for body position using strength and balance.
 - A player uses the body to establish a "pick" that prevents an opponent from being able to chase the puck carrier.
38. With the play in the attacking zone, the attacking team shoots the puck. The puck deflects off the defending team near the top of the face-off circle and goes out of the rink. Where should the face-off be conducted?
- At the attacking team's defensive zone face-off spot.
 - In the attacking team's attacking end zone along a line connecting the face-off spots.
 - At the nearest neutral zone face-off spot.
39. Either team may use their time-out for the purpose of warming up their goalkeeper. How many pucks are they allowed to use?
- Three pucks.
 - Four pucks.
 - Unlimited number of pucks.
40. **FROM THE BASIC MANUAL:** When should you immediately stop play for an injured player?
- At all times.
 - If the injury appears to be serious.
 - Never. You must always wait until the injured player's team gains possession of the puck.
41. A Major plus Game Misconduct for kicking an opponent shall be assessed to any player or goalkeeper who:
- Uses their skate to "push off" an opponent.
 - Attempts to kick or injures an opponent by kicking.
 - Kicks the puck into the opposing team's goal.
42. Which of the following officiating systems is not authorized to be utilized for USA Hockey sanctioned games?
- Three-official system (one referee/two linesmen).
 - Two-official system (two referees).
 - Three-official system (two referees/one linesman).
43. Which of the following items is NOT in the On-Ice Officials Code of Conduct?
- Answer all reasonable questions and requests.
 - Use only USA Hockey-approved officiating techniques and policies.
 - Never admit mistakes when you make them.
44. Where automatic lights are available:
- A red light indicates a goal has been scored and green light signals the end of the period.
 - A green light indicates a goal has been scored and red light signals the end of the period.
 - A red light indicates a goal has been scored and blue light signals the end of the period.
45. Which of the following is NOT a penalty option for holding an opponent?
- Minor penalty.
 - Double Minor penalty.
 - Match penalty.



For the next five questions, the following simplified procedure determines which penalty, if any, terminates with the scoring of a goal. At the time of the goal:

- **Is the team that was scored-upon below the on-ice numerical strength of the scoring team because of a time penalty?**
- **Is at least one penalty which is then being served by the scored-upon team a non-coincident Minor or Bench Minor penalty (being displayed on the penalty clocks)?**

If the answer to both questions is YES, then the Minor penalty with the least amount of time remaining on the penalty clock terminates.

46. In the following situation, determine which player, if any, returns to the ice once the goal is scored.

CLOCK TIME	Team "A"	Team "B"
4:30	X - 2+2	
3:00		Goal

- (a) Player "X" returns to the ice.
- (b) First penalty for Player "X" terminates.
- (c) No penalty terminates.

47. In the following situation, determine which player, if any, returns to the ice once the goal is scored.

CLOCK TIME	Team "A"	Team "B"
4:30	X - 5+2	
3:00		Goal

- (a) Player "X" returns to the ice.
- (b) Minor penalty for Player "X" terminates.
- (c) No penalty terminates.

48. In the following situation, determine which player, if any, returns to the ice once the goal is scored.

CLOCK TIME	Team "A"	Team "B"
4:45	X - 2	
4:00	Y - 2	
3:00		Goal

- (a) Player "X" returns to the ice.
- (b) Player "Y" returns to the ice.
- (c) No penalty terminates.

49. In the following situation, determine which player, if any, returns to the ice once the goal is scored.

CLOCK TIME	Team "A"	Team "B"
4:45	X - 5	
4:00	Y - 2	
3:00		Goal

- (a) Player "X" returns to the ice.
- (b) Player "Y" returns to the ice.
- (c) No penalty terminates

50. In the following situation, determine which player, if any, returns to the ice once the goal is scored.

CLOCK TIME	Team "A"	Team "B"
4:45	X - 5 + 2	
4:00	Y - 2	
3:00		Goal

- (a) Player "X" returns to the ice.
- (b) Player "Y" returns to the ice.
- (c) No penalty terminates.

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All other officials please continue with the remaining 50 questions on the exam.

TRUE OR FALSE

- 51. Play shall be stopped immediately anytime a puck, other than the one officially in play, shall appear on the ice surface.
- 52. Any time that a team has been reduced to less than four players, the game shall be suspended.
- 53. If the referee has signaled a delayed penalty and the puck shall enter the goal of the non-offending team as the direct result of the action of a player on that team, the goal shall be allowed.
- 54. Any player who drops to his knees to block a shot should not be penalized if the puck is shot under him or becomes lodged in his clothing or equipment.
- 55. Icing shall be nullified if the puck travels the length of the ice as a result of either player participating in a face-off.
- 56. A Bantam team has a head coach and one assistant coach on the bench. During the first period, the head coach receives a Game Misconduct penalty and leaves the bench. During the third period, the team receives its 15th penalty. As a result, the head coach is suspended for the next two games of his/her team.
- 57. A Minor penalty shall be assessed to any player who makes no attempt to play the puck while facing-off and instead plays the body of the opponent.
- 58. **NEW RULE:** A penalty shall be assessed to any player who is beyond his defending blue line and passes or carries the puck back into his defensive zone.
- 59. **FROM THE BASIC MANUAL:** The determining edge of the blue line never changes.

60. **NEW RULE:** Minor, Major or Major plus Game Misconduct are all penalty options for charging.
61. Rolling an opponent along the boards when he is attempting to go through too small an opening is not considered boarding.
62. A Major plus Game Misconduct shall be assessed to any player who attempts to butt-end an opponent.
63. The referee may NOT terminate a game due to obvious lack of bench control by one or both teams.
64. **NEW RULE:** No electronic device shall be used to question, challenge or dispute a game official's decision or judgment while the game is in progress.
65. If a player designated to take a penalty shot is assessed a Minor or Major penalty in connection with the play prior to taking the penalty shot, he is not allowed to take the shot and the captain shall elect another player who was on the ice at the time of the infraction to take the penalty shot.
66. Minor, Major or Major plus Game Misconduct are all penalty options for cross-checking.
67. All players must remain stationary during a face-off until the official drops the puck.
68. **NEW RULE:** For the second Misconduct penalty assessed to the same player during the same game, a Game Misconduct penalty shall be assessed to that player in lieu of the second Misconduct penalty.
69. Under the Standard of Play initiative, a defensive player in front of the net may use his balance and strength to gain an advantageous body position on his opponent. This is allowed as long as he does NOT use his arms or stick to create space between him and his opponent or use his stick to impede his opponent's ability to move in a desired direction.
70. If at any time during the game there are no team officials left on the players' bench, a responsible adult may come to the bench and supervise the players for the remainder of the game.
71. Except for adults, no player or goalkeeper shall be permitted on the ice while wearing jewelry unless it is completely covered by equipment or taped to the body.
72. If the puck strikes a goalkeeper in any manner while he is beyond the center red line, a Minor penalty shall be assessed.
73. **FROM THE BASIC MANUAL:** The use of physical signals is the official's means to communicate with players, coaches, and spectators. Almost every penalty is executed in what we refer to as the TV zone.
74. **NEW RULE:** A Game Misconduct penalty shall be assessed to any player who throws any portion of his stick or any object outside of the playing area in protest of an official's decision or if thrown at or in the direction of a spectator.
75. A black puck shall be made of vulcanized rubber or other approved material, one inch thick and three inches in diameter and shall weigh between 5½ and 6 ounces.

MULTIPLE CHOICE

For the next six questions, the following simplified procedure determines which penalty, if any, terminates with the scoring of a goal. At the time of the goal:

- ***Is the team that was scored-upon below the on-ice numerical strength of the scoring team because of a time penalty?***
- ***Is at least one penalty which is then being served by the scored-upon team a non-coincident Minor or Bench Minor penalty (being displayed on the penalty clocks)?***

If the answer to both questions is YES, then the Minor penalty with the least amount of time remaining on the penalty clock terminates.

76. In the following situation, determine which player, if any, returns to the ice once the goal is scored.

CLOCK TIME	Team "A"	Team "B"
4:45	X - 2 + 2	
4:00		B - 2
3:00		Goal

- (a) Player "X" returns to the ice.
 (b) Player "Y" returns to the ice.
 (c) No penalty terminates.

77. In the following situation, determine which player, if any, returns to the ice once the goal is scored.

CLOCK TIME	Team "A"	Team "B"
4:30	X - 2	
4:00	Y - 2	
3:30		B - 2
3:00		Goal

- (a) Player "X" returns to the ice.
 (b) Player "Y" returns to the ice.
 (c) No penalty terminates.

78. In the following situation, determine which player, if any, returns to the ice once the goal is scored.

CLOCK TIME	Team "A"	Team "B"
4:30	X - 2	
4:00		B - 2
3:30	Y - 5	
3:00		Goal

- (a) Player "X" returns to the ice.
 (b) Player "Y" returns to the ice.
 (c) No penalty terminates.

79. In the following situation, determine which player, if any, returns to the ice once the goal is scored.

CLOCK TIME	Team "A"	Team "B"
4:30	X - 5 + 2	B 2 + 2
3:00		Goal

- (a) Player "X" returns to the ice.
 (b) Player "Y" returns to the ice.
 (c) No penalty terminates.

80. In the following situation, determine which player, if any, returns to the ice once the goal is scored.

CLOCK TIME	Team "A"	Team "B"
4:30	X - 2	B - 2
4:00	Y - 2	
3:30		Goal

- (a) Player "X" returns to the ice.
 (b) Player "Y" returns to the ice.
 (c) No penalty terminates.

81. In the following situation, determine which player, if any, returns to the ice once the goal is scored.

CLOCK TIME	Team "A"	Team "B"
4:30	X - 5	
3:30	Y - 2	B - 2
3:00		Goal

- (a) Player "X" returns to the ice.
 (b) Player "Y" returns to the ice.
 (c) No penalty terminates.

82. Only one point can be credited to any single player for a goal scored. This is true because of rule:

- (a) 203 (a)
 (b) 204 (b)
 (c) 617 (a)

83. A Minor penalty for delay of game shall be assessed to any goalkeeper who falls on or gathers the puck into his body and causes a stoppage of play when the puck is outside the boundaries of the "goalkeeper's privileged" area. This is true because of rule:

- (a) 614 (a)
 (b) 614 (c)
 (c) 610 (c)

84. **NEW RULE:** A "slew foot" is when a player extends his leg behind another player and takes their feet out from under them, especially when used in conjunction with a push to the chest area. This is true because of rule:

- (a) 602 (a)
 (b) 640 (b)
 (c) 639 (a)

85. All face-offs shall be conducted at one of the nine face-off dots. This is FALSE because of rule:

- (a) 612 (a)
 (b) 612 (b)
 (c) 613 (b)

86. **NEW RULE:** Which of the following is not a penalty option for boarding?

- (a) Minor penalty.
 (b) Minor plus Misconduct penalty.
 (c) Major plus Game Misconduct penalty.

87. When a stoppage of play takes place in an end zone followed by a gathering of players, a face-off at the nearest neutral zone face-off spot shall occur if:

- (a) Any attacking player enters the end zone further than the outer edge of the face-off circles nearest the blue line and engages in the gathering of players.
 (b) The official is trying to send a message.
 (c) Any attacking player enters the end zone further than the outer edge of the face-off circles nearest the blue line.

88. If three players from the same team are on the penalty bench serving non-coincident Minor penalties assessed at different times, when the first penalty time expires:

- (a) The player whose penalty has expired returns to the game immediately.
 (b) Nobody returns to the game and the third penalty time begins.
 (c) All players must remain on the penalty bench until the next stoppage of play.

89. **FROM THE BASIC MANUAL:** After an official has stopped play during a delayed penalty situation, the official making the call will come to a stop and verbalize two things prior to skating to the penalty bench. Which one of the items below is NOT verbalized?

- (a) Number of the player.
 (b) Color of the team.
 (c) Length of the penalty.

90. Under the Standard of Play initiative, which of the following shall NOT be penalized:

- (a) Competing for the puck using strength and balance.
 (b) Acts of an intimidating or dangerous nature.
 (c) Excessively hard body checks on the puck carrier that are intimidating in nature.

91. **NEW RULE:** Which of the following is NOT a penalty option for tripping?
- Minor plus Misconduct.
 - Major.
 - Major plus Game Misconduct.
92. What does the word “participate” mean in reference to a player who participates in play with a broken stick?
- Body checking or attempting to body check an opponent.
 - Continuing in any action that directly affects the play.
 - Both (a) and (b).
93. **NEW RULE:** Body checking is prohibited in the 12 & under Youth age classification and below as well as all Girls’/Women classifications. These shall be referred to as:
- No-Check classification.
 - Non-Check classification.
 - Body Contact category.
94. A second face-off violation shall result in a delay of game penalty if it occurs:
- By the same team anytime during the game.
 - By the same team during the same face-off.
 - By the same player anytime during the game.
95. A player or team official incurring a Game Misconduct penalty shall be suspended for his team’s next game (the game already appearing on the schedule of that team at the time of the infraction), except:
- When such penalty is imposed under Rule 403(b) (second major in game) there shall be a minimum two-game suspension.
 - When such penalty is imposed under Rule 601(e) (abuse of officials) there shall be a minimum three game suspension.
 - When such penalty is imposed under Rule 405(a) (Match Penalties) there shall be a minimum two game suspension.
96. **FROM THE BASIC MANUAL:** The proper goal line positioning of the referee is often referred to as the:
- Golden Triangle.
 - TV Box.
 - No Man’s Land.
97. **FROM THE BASIC MANUAL:** When an official makes an off-side call the correct signal is a full palm with fingers closed and point to:
- The blue line.
 - The players that cause the off-side.
 - The ensuing face-off location.
98. **NEW RULE:** A Minor plus Misconduct penalty is NOT the least stringent penalty option for which penalty:
- Rule 603 – Boarding.
 - Rule 611 – Elbowing.
 - Rule 608 – Checking from Behind.
99. The home team chooses which end to defend at the start of the game:
- When player benches are on the same side of the ice.
 - When player benches are on the opposite sides of the ice.
 - When player benches are on the opposite side of the ice from the penalty benches.
100. A Major plus Game Misconduct penalty shall be assessed to any player who injures an opponent as a result of an avoidable check to a player who is not in possession and control of the puck. This is true because of rule:
- Rule 625 (a)
 - Rule 625 (c)
 - Rule 640 (d)

