

## Policy 9. Playing Time

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Dorchester Minor Hockey Association is committed to the principles of sportsmanship and fair play, including using reasonable efforts to ensure that players receive relatively fair and equal opportunity to contribute to the success of the team.

All coaches shall clearly explain this policy and their planned approach to playing time with players and parents at the beginning of the season. All coaches should reasonably attempt to play all players and goaltenders equitably. It is acknowledged that coaches may use reasonable discretion in allotting playing time, including in the following circumstances:

1. In the case of discipline of a player by a coach, a coach may elect not to play a player for not more than one game per occurrence. If the coach feels further discipline is required, the coach shall contact the applicable Dorchester Minor Hockey Association league representative.
2. During the final five minutes of any game, during any power play, during any shorthanded situation, and/or during any part of the final/potential final game of any playoff series, play-down series, or tournament.

No changes

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