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Welcome to the 2022-23 American Collegiate Hockey Association ice hockey season. We are all looking forward to another exciting year and fortunate to have you and your officials as part of our ACHA Officiating Program. Thank you for helping.

**This is a rule change year and there is a new NCAA Ice Hockey rulebook.**

Rule books are available for download at our ACHA hockey website:  
<https://www.achahockey.org/officials>

NCAA offered a Major only penalty for head contact and check from behind. I do not agree, and please continue to be diligent and penalize dangerous check from behind and head contact penalties.

Please continue to visit the ACHA website to updated information during the 2022-2023 season. There are many valuable training documents on the ACHA website and please view the "Officials" tab of the website. [www.achahockey.org](http://www.achahockey.org)

The goal of the exam is not to create a pass or fail situation. This test should be used as a training tool to ensure that your officials take the time to learn the ACHA/NCAA Rules. Use the exam to your advantage and encourage open rules discussions.

Our ACHA officials are required to be completely registered with USA Hockey at level 3 or higher. In unique circumstances, USA Hockey level 2 officials may be used with approval from the ACHA Referee-in-Chief.

The ACHA believes the 2-Referee, 2-Linesmen system has proven to best fit ACHA competition, and this is the *recommended* system. There is a 2022-23 referee system document is on the ACHA website under the officials tab. Please review at [achahockey.org](http://achahockey.org) under the officials tab.

For ACHA crests, please visit [www.shopacha.com](http://www.shopacha.com) for crest details. You can also get to the crest-ordering document on the official's tab of the ACHA website.

We hope this early information will help and let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you all for your dedication to our sport and there will be additional information shortly.

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