

## INDOOR LEAGUE

13 January 2018  
JPH Director of Umpiring guidelines of Rules Modification  
Junior Premier Indoor League, All Divisions  
Re: Rule 5.7 Modification – Face Mask Clarification  
To: All JPIL Umpires / UM's

Hi Everyone,

Please see below: updated Rule 5.7 clarification. The UM's will also discuss this clarification with the Team coaches before they play.

As with any change there can be situations that will continue to arise, so let's be proactive to keep on top of it – **communicate early** and use your ladder of management tools as necessary.

**What does this mean?**

- Caged-frame/metal-grill face masks/goggles are only permitted to be worn as according to the guidelines in FIH Rules of Indoor Hockey – Rule 4.2 and must be removed before exiting the circle. Players may finish an existing action being slightly outside the circle, but may not progress forward on any attack while wearing this equipment.

**Our advice to the umpires:** is to know which team players will be wearing the wired facemask at a PC so that you can apply common sense to your decision making

- manage the PC as normal – be proactive
- remind the player wearing wired mask what they can/cannot do
- if they have possession of the ball allow them to play as per the guidelines underlined above
- if they play beyond what the guidelines state (*there is sure to be the odd mistake!*)– award a Free Push to opposition where the foul has happened – communicate why? (*even if the foul seems obvious*)
- if they persist (*hopefully not!*) – award a personal penalty - Green card (*this should suffice!*) if not, – treat as misconduct and award a 2 minute YC
- removal of the wired masks should be done safely and that they must not be left in the way on the field of play

All other players that wear the other permitted traditional clear masks, etc. can play with them on at anytime.

Regards

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JPH Technical Director's Notification

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To: All JPIL Participants

1. Clarification on the face mask rule...

There has been a clarification from USA FH on their modifications to the metal grill/caged frame face mask rule.

- i. Accordingly, JPIL Regulation 5.7 has been modified as follows:
  - 1. *5.7 Field players are permitted to wear throughout a match a smooth preferably transparent or white but otherwise dark plain colored face mask which fits flush with the face, soft protective head covering or eye protection in the form of plastic goggles (i.e., goggles with a soft-covered frame and plastic lenses) **without medical reason. A caged frame cannot be worn in the field of play.***
- ii. Metal grill/caged frame face masks are permitted as per the guidelines in FIH Rule 4.2.
  - 1. *Field players are permitted to wear...metal grill face mask which closely follows the contours of the face when defending a penalty corner or penalty stroke for the duration of that penalty corner or penalty stroke and when they are in the circle they are defending*
- iii. More traditional PC face masks are permitted throughout a match as according to FIH Rule 4.2 **without the medical reason requirement.**
  - 1. *Field players are permitted to wear throughout a match ~~for medical reasons only~~ a smooth preferably transparent or white but otherwise single coloured face mask which closely fits the face, soft protective head-covering or eye protection in the form of plastic goggles (ie goggles with a soft-covered frame and plastic lenses)*



Metal Grill Mask & goggles



Traditional Plastic Facemask & goggles

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