



**SPORTS
ASSOCIATION**
for Adelaide Schools

Memo- Revised Rule for Hockey

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Rationale

One sided games provide limited opportunities for players on either side to develop their skills. In order to allow play to be more balanced without affecting the result of the game, a drop off rule will be used.

The drop off rule will allow the dominating team play with reduced numbers in an underloaded situation, stretching their ability to find time and space. It will also allow the trailing team to find loose players more easily and open up the game.

Implementation

1. Once a 5 goal lead has been established, the result of the game be declared at the current score.
2. The game continues and the leading team will now play with 10 players on the field.
3. If the leading team scores a goal, the number of players reduces by one more for each goal scored
4. If the trailing team scores, the leading team gets an extra player back in the game for each goal scored

This rule will be implemented on a trial basis for the remainder of the 2018 season with reviews after each week to monitor its impact.

This rule will only apply to the Open A and Open B Hockey competitions.