



2024 Rule Change Summary Floor Hockey

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Old Formatting	See date change at footer to reflect September 2024
<p>8.1 Roster</p> <p>8.1.1 The roster shall contain a proportionate number of Special Olympics Athletes and Unified Sports Partners.</p> <p>8.2 Line-up</p> <p>8.2.1 During competition, the line-up can contain no more than three partners on the court at any one time.</p> <p>8.2.2 Equal playing rules as outlined for traditional Floor Hockey teams in section 6.3.1 apply for all players including the goalkeeper.</p> <p>8.3 Coach</p> <p>8.3.1 Each team shall have a non-playing head coach.</p> <p>8.4 Matching Athletes and Partners</p> <p>8.4.1 Selection of Special Olympics Athletes and Unified Sports Partners of similar age and ability is required for Unified Sports training and competition in Floor Hockey. Significant risk of injury could result from teams where athletes and partners are poorly matched.</p>	<p>CHANGE:</p> <p>8.1 Roster</p> <p>8.1.1 The roster shall contain a proportionate number of Special Olympics Athletes and Unified Sports Partners.</p> <p>8.1.2 The athlete to Unified partner ratio must be 3 athletes to 3 Unified partners in the Team Competition.</p> <p>8.1.3 It is required that athletes and Unified partners are of similar age and similar ability. For more information on similar age and ability, please see Sport Rules Article 1 Section 14.1.2.</p> <p>8.2 Line-up</p> <p>8.2.1 During competition, the line-up can contain no more than three partners on the court at any one time.</p> <p>8.2.2 Equal playing rules as outlined for traditional Floor Hockey teams in section 6.3.1 apply for all players including the goalkeeper.</p> <p>8.3 Coach</p> <p>8.3.1 Each team shall have a non-playing head coach.</p>