



## PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR HOCKEY

Unless otherwise addressed in the Rules, all protective equipment must be ice-hockey specific and shall be worn in accordance with the manufacturer's original design and in a manner to ensure player safety. If after one warning by an ADULT SAFE HOCKEY LEAGUE / OFFICIAL RULE BOOK Referee, a player refuses to correct his/her equipment deficiency or, continues to wear the equipment apart from its original design intent, a Misconduct penalty will be assessed to the offending Player.

**HELMETS & GOALIE MASKS** Helmets are mandatory and must be worn by all Players and Referees. Helmets must be CSA approved with properly fastened chinstraps. A Minor penalty will be assessed to any Player that does not have his/her helmet chin strap fastened properly. This rule will be enforced by the Referees and League Officials for all games and during warm-ups. Ear-guards for helmets are not mandatory.

**FACIAL EQUIPMENT** As of September 1st, 2013, the ASHL has instituted a mandatory facial protection policy for all players. Any player not wearing a minimum of a half visor or cage will be asked to leave the ice surface immediately and will not be permitted to return until they have the proper facial protection in place. The visor/cage must be fastened securely to the helmet as per CSA Approved Regulations with all straps firmly attached as per manufacturer's design. If a player other than a goaltender loses their visor/cage during the course of play, they must not intentionally participate in the play and return to their bench. Should the player intentionally participate in the play, the official will immediately stop play and assess a minor penalty to the offending player for delay of game/ineligible player. NOTE: Every league game official will be required to wear a half visor.

**NECK GUARDS** Neck guards are recommended for all Players in all divisions. Goaltenders are strongly encouraged to wear a CSA approved neck guard in all League games.

**GOALTENDER SKATES** Only Goaltenders are permitted to use Goaltender skates.

**MOUTH GUARDS** Mouth guards are strongly recommended for all Players in all divisions.

**GOALTENDER EQUIPMENT** A goaltender must wear protective equipment specifically designed for ice hockey goaltenders and be complete with approved; Mask, Leg Guards (Pads), Chest Protection and Gloves designed for use by goaltender.