

14. HOCKEY – BOYS / GIRLS

BAS Hockey will be played consistent with the rules of the International Hockey Federation (<http://www.fih.ch/media/13164482/fih-rules-of-hockey-2019-final-website-11112019-typo-edits.pdf>) unless otherwise stated below.

Exception: The “sticks” rule shall be applied to all BAS matches. This is penalty awarded against a player who raises their stick dangerously near another player.

BAS requires all players involved to wear a mouthguard, shin guards and correct protective gear. Each school to provide one regulation orange match ball.

1. COMPETITIONS

Senior Boys Term 3Tuesday
Senior Girls Term 3Wednesday
Junior Girls Term 2Wednesday
Junior Boys Term 2Thursday

2. All matches will be played at Prince of Wales Park or Ballarat Grammar.
Senior matches shall consist of 2 x 25-minute halves, with a 5-minute break for half time. The first game must start at 4pm and conclude at 4.55pm regardless of the length of the second half.

The second match is to commence at 5pm. All matches must conclude by 6pm.

If required Junior matches may be modified to 2 x 20-minute halves with matches commencing at 4.00pm and 4.45pm. This shall be confirmed at the start of the season with start times being shown on the relevant fixture.

Schools must be ready to start at the designated time. Late starts shall be noted on the score sheets and any team 15 minutes late, or continuously late for matches, may incur a forfeit. The BAS Executive Officer would impose such a penalty under the direction of BAS Inc.

3. For 1st XI and Senior competitions five interchange players are permitted.
For all other grades there is no limit to the number of interchange players that may be used.
Up to three substitutions allowed in a rolling situation format at the centre line with no stoppage in play.
A player substituting for a Goalkeeper must wear a helmet.
A team must have 7 eligible players to take the field before a match for premiership points may proceed.
4. Forfeit: The score for a forfeit will be 5 – 0.
5. BAS will endeavour to appoint independent umpires for all Senior and Junior matches. Should this NOT be possible; Each school is to supply one umpire who is NOT the coach.
6. **MERCY RULE;** To be applied to ALL BAS Junior and Intermediate matches.

Once a team is leading by 5 or more goals, that team is required to play one less player in defence.

If, after ½ time the margin reaches 8 goals, coaches are to call a time out, at which point the game will be “called” and deemed to be over. The score at this time will be recorded as the final score.

The remainder of the game will be played as a “friendly” game, where Coaches can do what they like to make the game fun and enjoyable with the emphasis on giving the less experienced players the opportunity to play a more active role in the match.

7. **FINALS; 1st XI BOYS / SENIOR GIRLS**

(a) The two teams that finish on top of the competition at the end of the preliminary rounds will play off in the Grand Final.

(b) Grand Finals will be played under the same conditions as the preliminary rounds, except for when there is a tie at the completion of scheduled time.

(c) When a tie exists at the end of scheduled time, 14 minutes of extra time will be played, 7 minutes each way (no half time break). If a tie remains after extra time, teams shall be declared joint premiers.

In INTERMEDIATE and JUNIOR competitions, the team that finishes on top of the ladder at the end of preliminary rounds shall be awarded the premiership.

8. **RESULTS for ALL BAS Sports are required to be entered into SportsDash within 48 hours after the completion of the match.**

Both schools are required to enter OR confirm results and scores before they will be declared official. Updated results and ladders will be available on the BAS Website under SPORTS / RESULTS & FIXTURES.

Completed scoresheets must be retained by the winning school and be available for presentation should they be requested.