

## HOME TEAM CAPTAIN INFO SHEET

### pre Match

- a) Ensure team are all kitted properly and ready to start on time (where possible)
- b) If opposition are travelling a fair distance, please be considerate within reason...remember you are going to have to travel to them!!!!... Either personally or another team member meet and greet opposition ( if distant team , inform them where facilities are and what the arrangements are for food afterwards)
- c) Have Match Card completed (ensure details are correct...time, date, location, opposition team, own team members all named) and hand to opposition to fill
- d) When opposition has completed give to umpires at beginning of match
- e) Have bibs (in case needed by opposition) and 2 'good' balls for match
- f) Should have armband, leg or shoulder flash to show as Captain and this should be transferred to another team member if Captain suspended
- g) If pitch appears unplayable through weather or damage, Rule 10 of Ulster Hockey:-

If on arrival at the ground by both teams and umpires, doubt is cast on whether the match should commence either by sudden change to climatic conditions or other adverse circumstances before the scheduled start time:

- (i) If both captains agree to play the game shall proceed;
- (ii) If both captains agree not to play the game shall not proceed;
- (iii) If the captains disagree on whether to play then the umpires shall decide and both teams must accept this decision;
- (iv) The Technical Officer, when appointed by Ulster Hockey, shall determine the suitability of the pitch prior to the starting time

### During match

- a) Any queries by your own team in relation to opposition team or umpiring decisions, should go through you to be given to umpires
- b) Ensure there is enough time for Cup / Plate matches to be completed, and be aware of the Rules for the particular competition in relation to time to be played and finishing of match in case of draw  
(all league and cup / plate matches should be 35 mins each way, however Senior 3 / 4 and Junior 4 and below and their equivalent cups / plates may play 30 mins each way by agreement of Captains)
- c) **Captains are responsible for the behaviour of all players on their team and for ensuring that substitutions of players on their team are carried out correctly. A personal penalty is awarded if a captain does not exercise these responsibilities....**  
*directly from Hockey Rule Book 2011*
- d) Matches shall be umpired by -
  - (a) Two Senior Panel umpires appointed by the Umpiring Committee; failing that
  - (b) Two umpires, one appointed by each club involved; failing that
  - (c) Two umpires agreed by the team captains; failing that
  - (d) The two captains themselves

**If one team is able to appoint an umpire but the other is not then that team's captain shall act as umpire and the team shall play with one player less if necessary.**

When umpires are in place they shall act with the full authority of Ulster Hockey

**after Match**

- a) Have umpires complete Match Card fully...checking this and both Captains **MUST** then sign the card
- b) If opposition ask for names of players ...give them list of your team ensuring it is correct, and SIGN
- c) asap get fully completed Match Card to Club Match Secretary / or use Match Card to complete match result sheet and ensure is sent to requested recipients asap but certainly within 72 hrs
- d) **KEEP** match cards either yourself or return to Match Secretary
- e) **Irish Cup Matches** : the winning team shall notify the result of the match and names of scorers to the IHA office at +353 1 716 3269 immediately after the game to facilitate the various press outlets
- f) All **Premier and Senior 1** captains to contact Belfast Telegraph with result immediately after match
- g) Any abandoned match must be considered as played in relation to Match Result sheet, namely Match Cards should be completed and returned in usual manner however a report as to the reason for abandonment **MUST** also be completed and returned by Home team