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<b>Issue Date:</b>	<b>4 May 2010</b>
<b>To:</b>	<b>Hockey NSW Associations</b>
<b>From:</b>	<b>Hockey NSW Officiating Panel</b>
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Hockey Australia experimental rules to be adopted for remaining 2010 Hockey NSW State Championships</b>

Hockey Australia has informed all state associations that the experimental rules included below will be used at the remaining 2010 National Championships, including the AHL season. It is recommended that all state and local associations also adopt the experimental rules.

Hockey NSW is following the recommendation from Hockey Australia that these rules be implemented into its state championships, commencing at the U15 Women's North Half State Championship on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2010.

The decision to implement the new rule for local competitions is the responsibility of the association running the competition.

Please ensure that all participants at Hockey NSW State Championships are made aware of this rule change.

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Officiating Panel  
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#### **14.1. Green Card – Two Minute Suspension**

For any offence, the offending player may be warned (indicated by a green card).

- Where a green card is issued the offending player shall be temporarily suspended for two (2) minutes.
- During the period of temporary suspension of a player, the team shall play with one less player.
- The umpire shall immediately restart the game after the issue of the green card.
- The offending player must leave the field immediately. If the player interferes with play on the way to the technical table area the umpire will further penalise the player under the normal conduct of play provisions.
- The two minute temporary suspension shall commence when the player is seated at the technical table area.
- The timing of the suspension shall be controlled by the technical officials on duty at the technical table.

#### **14.2. Breaking at Penalty Corner**

- Until the ball has been played, no attacker other than the one taking the push or hit from the back-line is permitted to enter the circle and no defender is permitted to cross the centre-line or back-line.
- For any offence of this rule by a defender, the offending player(s) shall be required to go beyond the centre-line and cannot be replaced by another defender.
- For an offence of this rule by an attacker who enters the circle before the ball is played, the offending player(s) shall be required to go beyond the centre line.
- The player who pushes or hits the ball from the back-line must not feint at playing the ball.
- For an offence of this rule the offending player shall be replaced by another attacker.