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1.0 LEAGUE INFORMATION

- **COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioner – Brent (Oilers)

Co-Commissioner – Chris (Flyers), Chris (Maple Leafs), Bill (Flames)

- **Addresses**

Portal – <http://oilcountryhockeyleague.com/home.php>

Facebook Group – <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1210826129072784/>

Slack – oilcountryhockey.slack.com

- **Responsibilities**

No TANKING allowed

Responding to trade offers, no matter how bad the offer may be

All GM's required to submit lines weekly

Being Active (monthly checks)

- **League Format**

Will run 2 OCHL seasons to one NHL

Daily Sims

Players age on their actual birthdates

Injuries will be turned ON

Players playing out of position will be affected

- **League Flow**

PLAYOFFS

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PRE-SEASON

WAIVER DRAFT

REGULAR SEASON

TRADE DEADLINE 80% SEASON

PLAYOFFS

- **Communication**

All GM's must have slack

Writing articles is recommended but not forced upon

Email/Slack/Text/Facebook are all ways of communication

- **Penalties/Fines**

Teams over cap will face penalties

First Offence – Top Scorer gets 5 game suspension

Second Offence – Top Scorer suspended 10 Games

Third Offence – Top two scorers suspended 10 Games Each

Fourth Offence – Fired!

2.0 Roster Regulations

- **Requirements**

18 Skaters & 2 Goalies Dressed

5 Goalies on roster (2 NHL, 3 AHL)

Minimum 42 contracts

Maximum 23 Pro roster spots

- **Waivers**

Any player 23 and under can travel from NHL to AHL without waivers unless on one-way contract

Players 24+ have to clear waivers to be AHL eligible

Players will not have to clear waivers in off-season/pre-season

How to claim, open up client load latest file. Click on the waivers link once in you team and it will show who is on waivers

- **AHL Eligibility**

MAX 2 players/goalies over the OV maximum allowed to play AHL per team

Overall for eligible Forwards/Defence is 69. Goalies is 75OV

Any contract can play in the AHL. One-way contracts will affect your NHL cap though

- **Goalie Start Limits**

Goalies can start a MAXIMUM of 64 games

If they start over 64 games:

NHL or AHL goalie overplaying will result in being suspended for remainder of season + 3
playoff games + 2,500,000 cap hit following season

NHL & AHL goalie overplaying will result in being suspended for remainder of season + 3
playoff games each goalie + 6,000,000 cap hit following season

- **Position Changes**

It must state C, LW, RW, D for a player to play those positions

C/W or W does not get them both positions on the wing

- **Line-up Restrictions**

Forward Lines can be set to a maximum of 35%

Double shifting is not ALLOWED

The fourth line must play 8%

Default forward line up will be 32%, 30%, 25%, 13%

3.0 Contracts

- **Free Agency**

MAX salary is 20% of the salary cap

Minimum salary is 685K

Maximum 8 offer out a one time

Signing Bonus are not allowed, any bids with them will be void

No Trade Clauses are not allowed, any bids with them will be void

Free Agents can decline a contract if they are being lowballed = 30% less of ask in first 48 hrs

One-way contract is guaranteed if offer is 3.1M or above

Max contract length is 4 years to any free agent

If you sign a player that puts you over the cap, they will be released back into free agency

- **Restricted Free Agency**

RFA age is 18 – 23

Contract Length maximum is 4 years

You can own any teams pick to bid on a player as compensation

Owner of player will have 24 hours to accept or decline offer sheet

3.1M + will guarantee a one-way contract

Current Average Salary – Draft Pick Compensation

\$3,000,000 and below – No Compensation

\$3,000,001 to \$4,000,000 – Third Round Pick

\$4,000,001 to \$5,900,000 – Second Round Pick

\$5,900,001 to \$7,200,000 – First & Third Round Pick

\$7,200,001 to \$8,900,000 – First, Second, Third

\$8,900,001 to \$12,500,000 – Two First, Second, Third

\$12,500,001 and up - Four First Round Picks

Max Contract offer is 4 years

RFA is determined when season begins, if player is 23 when begins, qualify as RFA

- **Arbitration**

Players who had all three attempts used will be taken to arbitration if not offer sheeted

1-year deal will be offered going off the resign chart

If team declines 1-year deal, player becomes UFA

If you fail to sign player again after taking to arbitration, they become a UFA

- **Unrestricted Free Agency**

Players become UFA at age 24

Maximum contract offer is 4 years

- **Extensions**

Owner has 3 chances to sign player

Max can resign is 6 UFA players per season

Can resign unlimited RFA

Extensions are done via portal -

<http://www.oilcountryhockeyleague.com/TeamFreeAgents.php>

- **Coaches**

Teams can only poach one coach per season from another teams AHL team

Coaches contracts will never end unless fired

- **No Trade Clause**

No Trade Clauses are not allowed

- **35+ Contracts**

Any 35+ Signing when player retires the team that signed & current team will split the contract for the remaining years

4.0 Salary Cap

- **Ceiling/Floor**

Salary Cap is 90.0M

Floor will always be 20.7M Less

AHL salary cap is set at 4,000,000 (AHL is 10% of players salary)

Teams under the cap will have player forced to NHL

One-way contract will go against NHL cap if playing in AHL

- **Buyouts**

Each team will be allotted 2 buy-outs every off-season

A buyout will make your team carry 1/3 of the salary per season for double the years if player is 27 and younger

28 and older will make you carry 2/3 remaining salary

You are NOT allowed to sign a player you bought out that off-season

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/19i1lfznmLhXhBnllsGQ5d20axQeCtSgLQR1aNx8cWX0/edit?usp=sharing>

- **Long Term Injury Reserve**

Players who fall below 92 condition will not count toward salary cap

- **Retaining Salary**

Teams can retain max 50% salary per season

Teams can retain 1 year or contract duration

Maximum 3 salary retentions at one time

5.0 Entry Draft

- **Scouting**

Eligible prospects will be from the year drafted & from the season we are doing odds or even picks

- **Overview**

Entry drafts will be conducted every sim season, odds one season, evens next

We will determine draft class by random.org

Drafts will be four rounds

Can release prospects at any time

- **Draft Pick Owners**

Each team must own one pick at all times

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1n2fF_oyajbNz7dp4iaiSj9X7uO1BE4vTfeo5j952hGI/edit?usp=sharing

- **Draft Eligible Players**

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1y7E4fqZuRARHFbMlwFaSQQ4STw3jXefowxkQpW1p8TU/edit?usp=sharing>

- **Lottery Odds**

Draft order is determined by a draft lottery

Three lottery winners

Last place 31% - 31 Balls

Second 24% = 24 Balls

Third 20% = 20 Balls

Fourth 10% = 10 Balls

Fifth 7% = 7 Balls

Sixth 5% = 5 Balls

Seventh 2% = 2 Balls

Eighth 1% = 1 Ball

100% = 100 Balls

- Draft Lottery decided by www.draftpicklottery.com

- Video Reveal

6.0 Prospects

- **Maximum Prospects**

One team may not carry more than 20 prospects at one time

Prospects can be bought out at any time from list

- **Prospect Creations**

Creations will be based off the prospect calculator I have, based off junior season stats

MAX PROSPECT OVERALL IS 700V FWD/D – 750V Goalie

AGE STARTING PO

Age 17-20 = 95 Potential

Age 21-22 = 82 Potential

Age 23-24 = 74 Potential

Age 25-26 = 50 Potential

Age 27-28 = 25 Potential

Age 29-30 = 15 Potential

Age 31 = 05 Potential

Age 32+ = 1 Potential

Entry Level contracts will be 3 year @ 925,000

Prospects drafted from same year draft that we are selecting from will enter as 17-year old's, 1 year 18 years old, 2 years 19 years old, 3 years 20 years old, 4 years 21 years old

Prospects aged 17-19 will have a 3-year ELC

Prospects aged 20-22 will have a 2-year ELC

Prospect that has played 50+ NHL games will be created off those stats

Prospects must be created by age 22

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- **NHL Stat Creation**

Prospects that play 50 NHL games will be created off those stats

MAX creation of 2 players off NHL STATS per season

- **Maximum Creations per year**

Maximum of 10 prospects can be created every off-season

- **Prospect Creation Period**

Prospects can only be created in the off-season only

7.0 Trading

- **What Can be Traded/Rules**

You can trade Picks/Players/Coaches/Money

Commish does have the power to veto any trade

Teams that miss the playoffs can trade during playoffs

No trades are processed till off-season

Trade Deadline is 80% of season

- **Draft Picks**

Teams may not trade picks more than three years ahead (ex: If in year 9 can only trade year 9 & 10 & 11)

Teams must retain one pick at all times

- **Free Agent Signings**

Players signed in free agency cannot be traded till the 41-game mark of that season

8.0 Rerates

- **NHL**

One NHL rerate every other off-season

NHL rerated player comes with the higher of the two contracts, but gets the length of the NHL contract

NHL Rerated player will become their actual age in real life

EACH PLAYER CAN ONLY BE NHL RERATED ONCE IN CAREER

NHL rerate candidate must be posted by playoffs

- **STHS/SIM**

Rerates are done via sim re-rates

Rerates are done in the off-season

NHL rerates are a MAX change of 3

AHL rerates are a max change of 2

Sim re-rate will not do SK/ST on FWD/D & SK/SZ on

Goalie

Players aged 17-23 will increase +2 in ST/SK

Players aged 24-27 will increase 1 in each ST/SK

Players aged 28-31 will see no change in ST/SK

Players aged 31-32 will drop in SK by -2 ST -1

- **33+ Player Regression**

Players will start to decrease in ability/stats starting at age 33 every year of NHL rerate

- 33-year old's drop 1 point in each category CK, SK, PH, PA, SC, DF

- 34-year old's drop 2 points in each category CK, SK, PH, PA, SC, DF

- 35-36-year old's drop 3 points in each category CK, SK, PH, PA, SC, DF

- 37-38-year old's drop 4 points in each category CK, SK, PH, PA, SC, DF

- 39 + year old's drop 6 points in each category CK, SK, PH, PA, SC, DF

9.0 Playoffs

- **Overview**

16 teams make playoffs

Top 8 teams in each division make it

Best of 7 series

Each round east/west will be simmed daily

- **Prediction Contest**

Playoff Predictions

All teams will send in predictions on how they feel the playoffs will play out.

How many games will a series go?

Winner of each round

Goals scored for the cup finals in case of tiebreaker

1st place - 8 points

2nd place - 4 points

3rd place - 1 points

WINNER FOR AHL & NHL PLAYOFFS

WINNERS CAN USE POINTS ON ANY PLAYER ON THEIR ROSTER! MAX 2 POINTS FOR 1 PLAYER

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10.0 Waiver Draft

- **Rules**

Draft will be 2 rounds

Rosters set after preseason

Roster Freeze

Max 23 pro rostered players. If you have 21, you can select 2. 22, select 1. 23 select none

Reverse order of previous season regular season standings

If a player is selected, they receive a pro only designation for entirety of season 1

Teams can lose no more than 2 players

Any age 24 and up are eligible to be taken off AHL roster

11.0 Off-Season

- **Retirements**

When a player retires that was signed after he turned 35+ years old, his cap hit will be with team that originally signed + owning team till the contract would have ended.

He must play at least one year on that new deal for this to affect you

Retirement percentages are as follows

AGE 34-37 = 1%

AGE 38 = 5%

AGE 39 = 25%

AGE 40 = 30%

AGE 41 = 75%

AGE 42 = 100%

Player will retire if have not played in NHL/AHL for 1 year

25 & under will have rights retained by team owner

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- **Trophies**

Awards will be handed out every off-season

One player can win multiple awards but will only get one bonus points

NHL (Decided by STHS Simulator)

Stanley Cup - You are given 5 points to use on any NHLer or coach on the team

Norris Trophy - You are given 5 points to use on the winner

Vezina Trophy - You are given 5 points to use on the winner

Hart Memorial Trophy - You are given 5 points to use on the winner

Art Ross Trophy - You are given 5 points to use on the winner

Maurice "Rocket" Richard Trophy - You are given 5 points to use on the Winner

Calder Trophy - You are given 5 points to use on the winner,

Jack Adams Trophy - You are given 5 points to use on the winner

GM of the Year - You are given 5 points to use on any player AHL (Decided by GM Votes)

Calder Cup - You are given 5 points to use on any AHLer or coach on the team

Norris Trophy - You are given 5 points to use on the winner

Vezina Trophy - You are given 5 points to use on the winner

Hart Memorial Trophy - You are given 5 points to use on the winner

Art Ross Trophy - You are given 5 points to use on the winner

Maurice "Rocket" Richard Trophy - You are given 5 points to use on the winner

****Maximum two points per category. Also, if you win the Cup plus another award you can not double up points on one player/coach ****

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- **Rule Changes**

Rule changes will be discussed in the off-season

Any team may propose a rule change

All rule changes will be put to a vote which for it to pass must be a 70% in favor

Rulebook will be updated with all rule change