



Committee of Rink Hockey Referees

Guidance for Head Officials

Head Officials are in charge of referees throughout a tournament. If any allocations need changing on the day, it is down to the Head Official to organise. They are there to manage referees from start to end. This includes:

- Making sure all referees are officiating in the same style, and making the same decisions
- Assessing each referee each game, and submitting an assessment if needed
- Answering rule queries through the game
- Acting as the 3rd Official if none is present, and so:
 - Managing the time keepers and benches during games
 - If an issue occurs off rink that needs the attention of the main referees, stopping the game and getting their attention

Head Officials should always be concentrating on the game, this ensures that any reports they have to make can be accurate, and that they can help the main referees as much as possible.

Head Officials should talk to the main referees before each game, at half time, and at the end of the game. This is to offer advice, feedback and go over any issues that have occurred. After a tournament, Head Officials should provide written feedback for the referees – this can be general for the day, or more in-depth individual feedback. This feedback should be sent to the referees, and CRHR executive.