

New Zealand Inline Hockey Age Grades and Rule Clarification

Age Classification

The New Zealand Inline Hockey Association prescribe their age classifications for internal competition as follows:

Age Classifications

Under 10	Premier
Under 12	Senior
Under 14	Masters (30 +)
Under 16	Veterans (40+)
Under 18 or Under 19	Senior Women
Under 20 or Under 21	Junior Women (Under 16 Years)

Note: The player's age as at 1st January will determine the age classification. The Age Grade titles to be competed for at the National Championships and other NZIHA Championships will be specified at start of season.

In some international competitions, the age grades can vary and will be notified prior to trials if teams are being entered.

Mandatory Equipment	Players 18 years and under
	Helmet designed for hockey
	Full face mask designed for hockey
	Gloves designed for hockey
	Knee and shin protection
	Elbow pads
	ALL PLAYERS 19 years and Over
	All Equipment as detailed above with the exception of;
	MUST WEAR A MINIMUM, HALF VISOR OR HALF CAGE
	The wearing of a full face mask is highly recommended.
Mouth guards	Internal mouth guards are strongly recommended for all grades
Referees	Standard two man system using approved NZIHA officials
Body-Checking	No intentional body contact allowed at any level
Fighting	Fighting will not be tolerated
Length of Game	Two (2) twenty minute halves.

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