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## New Brunswick Hockey Officials Association

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### Rule Clarification

To: All Zone Directors, Minor Referee in Chiefs and Minor Hockey Officials

Re: Clarification for HNB Minor Council rule 27.6

**If at any time during a game a member of the bench staff attends to an injured player on the ice, the injured player and a member of the bench staff or parent/guardian must exit the playing area to their dressing room for a period of 12 minutes playing time or until the game expires, whichever occurs first. The player is not permitted back to the bench before this time expires. If player returns to bench or ice before the time expires, he/she will be deemed an ineligible player. This rule does not apply if a coach attends to a goalie on a team that only has 1 goalie in attendance. As per Respect in Sport, two people should be in dressing room with injured player. 6.4.16**

HNB wants to enforce the fact that the player must remain in the dressing room for 12 minutes of playing/game time. With the help of your linesman and the timekeeper, if the player returns to the bench before the 12min of playing time has expired, assess a bench minor penalty. The 'injured' player is to serve the penalty, should the penalty expire and they return to the ice before the 12min is up, assess them another penalty for ineligible player, to be served by the 'injured' player. Repeat until the 12min of game time has been served, and they were due to return. I hope this clarifies some questions we had regarding this rule.

A reminder that this rule applies for all minor hockey, **except** PeeWee AAA, Bantam AAA and Midget AAA.

Thanks,  
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Technical Director