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## **TEAM PRACTICES AND GAMES**

No player or team is allowed on the arena ice surface until the ice-cleaning machine has left the ice and the rink attendant has closed the gates; and a Coach is present on the ice or at the team bench area and during game situations given the direction by the referee to step onto the ice.

The arena ice attendant has the ultimate authority over start and stop times on ice slots. It is the policy of NDMHA to cooperate fully with the ice maintainers at all times. It is the responsibility of the Coach or Coaches to ensure that all rink gates are securely closed when not being used.

As a matter of courtesy, the Team Captain and Assistant Captains shall shake hands with the referee and linesmen and opposing team coaches at the beginning of each game. As a courtesy and as a means of preventing unnecessary altercations and incidents, North Delta teams, when playing as home team, shall remain on the ice away from the visiting team until the visiting team leaves the area.

All teams including players and coaches will following the conclusion of a game; shake hands with opposing coaches and players as a gesture of goodwill and sportsmanship.