

FIGHTING

OBJECTIVE



To understand the elements of Playing Rule 7.10, Hockey Canada's complex Fighting rule.



OVERVIEW



- With Spectator
- One Player Fights
- One Punch Fights
- 3rd Player In
- 2nd Fight Same Stoppage
- Interference from Bench



FIGHTING WITH A SPECTATOR



There is NO such rule!

"Incident" Options:

- Gross Misconduct (Travesty of the Game)
- Match (Attempt to Injure / Deliberate Injury)
- No Penalty

Eject or relocate the spectator



ONE PLAYER FIGHTS





Rule 7.11 (a) – assess additional Minor for **INSTIGATOR**

An AGGRESSOR penalty could also be assessed if wholly earned



ONE PUNCH FIGHTS



1 willing combatant



Combatant Only: Major + GM (FI) + Minor (INS) 2 willing combatants



Both: Major + GM (FI) + (AGG if earned)



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Rule 7.10 (e)

- Those who "join in a fight" and/or "act as a peacemaker" have "intervened" in a fight
- "3rd Player In" is a misnomer because Rule 7.10 (e) applies all players (i.e., 3rd 4th, 5th, etc.) that "intervene" in a fight
- Let's agree to say "Intervenes in a fight" in lieu of "3rd Player In".



3RD PLAYER IN



Intervening in a Fight

- "Joining in a Fight"
 - Intervening in a fight in progress as a combatant by piling on, by throwing punches or through any sort of "roughing" action.
- "Acting as a Peacemaker"
 - Intervening in a fight in progress as a non-combatant by attempting to separate or restrain the combatants.



3RD PLAYER IN



Example of Application of Rule 7.10 (e)

- Player A6 grabs/restrains a teammate currently involved in a fight in an attempt to prevent further penalties.
 - A6: GM (Intervening in a FI) plus AOPI



3RD PERSON IN A FIGHT



Rule 7.10 (e)(f)

Player:

- "Joins in" (throws punches) in a FI → GM
- "Acts as peacemaker" in a FI → GM
- "Takes part" in another FI GM

Team Official:

- "Joins in" (throws punches) in a fight → GRM (Rule 7.10(f))
- "Acts as peacemaker" in a fight GRM (Rule 7.10(f))





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- GM is assessed to any player <u>taking part</u> in <u>another fight</u> during the <u>same stoppage</u> of play.
 - Note that this rule does <u>NOT</u> apply to Team Officials
 - "2nd Fight, Same Stoppage" is a misnomer because this rule applies to 2nd, 3rd, 4th, etc. FI at same stoppage
 - Let's agree to say "Another Fight, Same Stoppage" in lieu of "2nd Fight, Same Stoppage".





- GM is assessed...to any player <u>taking part</u> in another fight during the same stoppage of play.
- "<u>Taking Part</u>" means intervening in any manner as a combatant or non-combatant.





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- "Another Fight" means that the fight must be distinctly separate or a spin-off of some other fight.



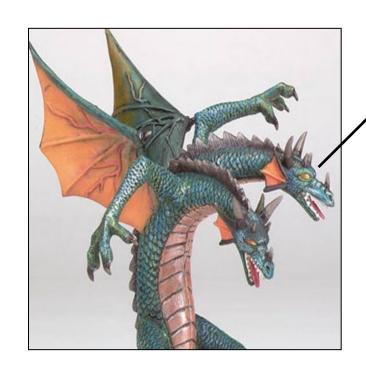




The "another fight, same stoppage" aspect of Rule 7.10 (e) iii is a two-headed monster!

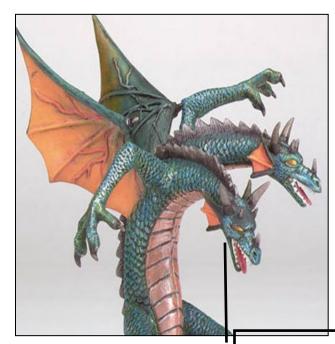






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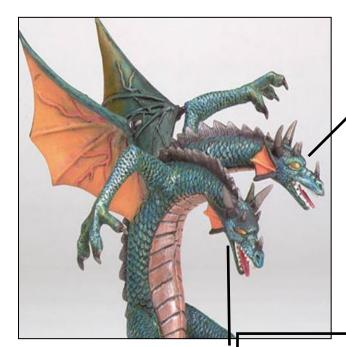




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- "Same Stoppage" means the period of time between when play is stopped and the instant that the puck is dropped to resume play.





Example of Application of Rule 7.10 (e) iii

- Player A6 starts punching opposing player B7 who is currently engaged in a fight.
 - This is <u>not</u> "another" fight (it's just a multi-player FI)
 - A6: GM (Intervening in a FI) plus Major & GM (FI) plus AOPI
 - B7: Major & GM (FI) plus AOPI





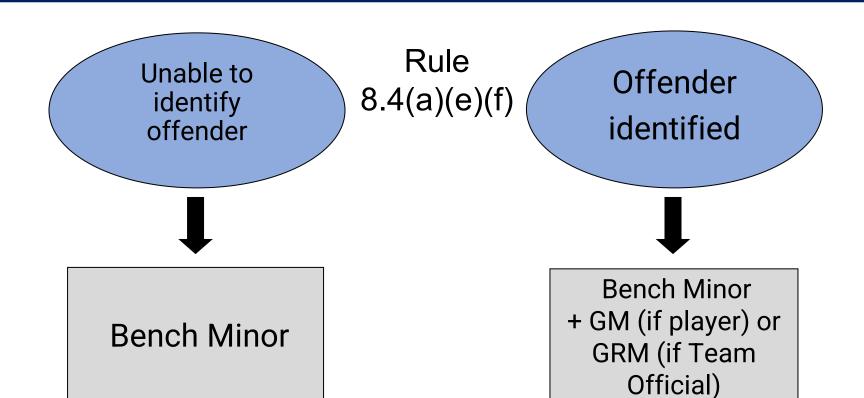
Example of Application of Rule 7.10 (e) iii

- Players A6 and B7 are the original combatants in a fight. A6 leaves that fight and starts a
 fight with player B9.
 - The second event <u>is</u> "another" fight
 - A6: Major & GM (FI) plus Major & GM (FI) plus GM (Another FI same stoppage) plus Minor (INS) plus AOPI
 - B9: Major & GM (FI) plus GM (Another FI same stoppage) plus AOPI



INTERFERENCE FROM THE BENCH







INTERFERING WITH A FIGHT FROM THE BENCH



We're talking about 2 fouls here!

Interference from bench



Bench Minor + GM (if player) or GRM (if Team Official) "Intervene" in a fight



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Player: GM

Tm Off: GRM





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