



DISTRICT 8 MINOR HOCKEY COUNCIL
Canterbury, Capital Crusaders, Ottawa Sting, SouthEnd

**Re: NEW CITY OF OTTAWA POLICY
"CROSSING THE ICE"**

As a result of an injury and death sustained by a person crossing the ice, the City of Ottawa has implemented a **NO CROSSING THE ICE Policy, by any team officials.**

The impact of this new policy

1. All team officials during games will be required to walk around the rink to get to their respective benches. At no time will team officials be permitted to cross the ice.
2. After the game, when the teams are shaking hands, team officials are to remain on their respective benches. The Visiting and Home team players will go to the benches to shake hands with the opposing team officials.
3. Two parent volunteers must be pre-determined to hold the dressing room key and to proceed to the hallway and dressing room to provide supervision of the players as they return from the ice as the coaching staff will be still making their way around the arena.
4. There are signs posted at both Canterbury and Jim Durrell to advise participants of the enforcement of this new City of Ottawa Policy

Effective immediately, this new policy will be enforced by District 8. If you have any concerns or problems, feel free to contact your association or District 8 representative. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

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