



2018-19 ACHA Regular Season Overtime and Shootout Requirements

Tied Games:

If the score is tied at the end of three regulation periods, the following shall take place:

1. There shall be a two-minute intermission.
2. Goalies will switch ends for overtime period.
3. A five-minute period shall be played.
4. The team that scores first wins and the game is ended. If a goal is not scored in the five-minute period, refer to divisional rules.
5. **New 2018-2019:** By ACHA policy, 4-on-4 is approved ACHA play for the five-minute overtime period (ACHA rule, Part Three, Article II, Section 1B (2018)).
(Refer to divisional notes below for additional information).

If either team declines to play in the necessary overtime period, the game shall be declared a loss for that team.

Note:

Goalies will switch ends for overtime period.

If shoot-out is used, goalies will switch ends returning to their home-bench end.

4-on-4 OT Note 1:

When regulation time ends and the teams are 5-on-4, teams will start overtime 5-on-4. Once player strength reaches 5-on-5, at the next stoppage of play, player strength is adjusted to 4-on-4.

4-on-4 OT Note 2:

When regulation time ends and the teams are 5-on-3, teams will start overtime 5-on-3. Once player strength reaches 5-on-4 or 5-on-5, at the next stoppage of play, player strength is adjusted to 4-on-3 or 4-on-4 or 3-on-3 as appropriate.

4-on-4 OT Note 3:

When regulation ends and teams are 4-on-4 teams will start overtime 3-on-3.

4-on-4 OT Note:

At no time will a team have less than three players on the ice. This may require a fifth skater to be added if a two-man advantage occurs. Once player strength reaches 5-on-4 or 5-on-5, at the next stoppage of play, player strength is adjusted to 4-on-3 or 4-on-4 or 3-on-3, as appropriate.



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Men's

Division 1:

Overtime required 3-on-3 (ACHA rule, Part Four, Article III, Section 1B (2017)).

Shootout:

3-player shootout required, (Refer to NCAA rule 91.6 and Appendix B).

Important Note: Review NCAA Appendix F protocols for 3-on-3 overtime penalties in effect, have changed.

Division 2:

Overtime required 4-on-4 (ACHA rule, Part Five, Article II, Section 3N).

Shootout:

ACHA League Games – Leagues may adopt rules to allow shootout. Scores will be reported as “shootout” on the ACHA website.

ACHA Non-League Games – Shootout not permitted.

Division 3:

Overtime required 4-on-4 (ACHA rule, Part Six, Article III, Section 1C).

If the game remains tied at the end of the five-minute overtime, the game shall be recorded as a tie for the purpose of ACHA D3 rankings.

Shootout:

League conferences may adopt rules to allow shootout.

Woman's:

Division 1:

Overtime required 3-on-3 (ACHA rule, Part Seven, Article III, Section 2F).

If tied after overtime, games will be ACHA scored tie.

No shootout option.

Division 2:

Overtime required 4-on-4 (ACHA rule, Part Eight, Article III, Section 2G).

If tied after overtime, games will be ACHA scored tie.

No shootout option.