5.06 Cancellation and Rescheduling Rules

1. Teams are permitted to reschedule a maximum of one (1) game without fines being assessed (unless referees have already been assigned) as long as all game guidelines are followed i.e. times, venues and the game is more than seven (7) days in the future. All reschedule requests must be in before November 30th of the current season.
Note: This does not include inclement weather/loss of ice or a public health notice i.e. H1N1. If officials have already been assigned to a game at the time the rescheduling request has been made, the rescheduling team is responsible for the $10 reassigning fee.

2. Cancellation of a regular season, or playoff game by a team may be done without a cancellation penalty up to one week (7 days) prior to the day a game is scheduled. Any cancelled game must be rescheduled as provided below. This does include the one (1) game reschedule.

3. Games cancelled must be rescheduled for a future date within seven (7) days of game cancellation. Any team that does not reschedule within the seven (7) day period shall be assessed a $50 fine payable to the League. A rescheduled game is not considered to be locked into the schedule until the Division Coordinator has been notified.

4. An additional $500.00 fine, payable to the League, to any team who fails to show for a scheduled League game without just cause; cancels a scheduled League game within twenty-four (24) hours of its playing time without just cause; or refuses to reschedule a cancelled game. In addition, the Board shall have the right to suspend all or any member of the team staff of the offending team for up to one (1) year and to refuse the admission of teams from the offending association for the next season. Any costs of Officials for a game cancelled under these circumstances are the responsibility of the offending team.

5. A team that withdraws from the League shall be deemed to have cancelled all of its remaining scheduled games.

6. If a game must be cancelled because one or both teams cannot travel due to inclement weather or as a result of a public health notice (e.g. H1N1, loss of ice, power failure), the following policy is in effect:
a. The team cancelling the game must DIRECTLY contact by PHONE and speak to a designated team representative before this game is officially considered cancelled. Note: E-mail and voice messages will not be considered as proper notification.

b. Within four (4) hours of game time, both Teams must notify the Division Coordinator, ODWHA League Director, and the Referee Assignor, via email, that the game has been cancelled.

c. The cancelled game is to be rescheduled for a future date within seven (7) days.

d. To be eligible for playoffs and any League awards (i.e. division champion medals), teams must play all their regular season games.

e. Games cancelled because of bad weather conditions or as a result of a public health notice (e.g. H1N1) are not included in the one (1) allowed change under Section 6.

7. If a second (2nd) game must be rescheduled the request must be made to the League Director for consideration. Fees will apply.