

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:

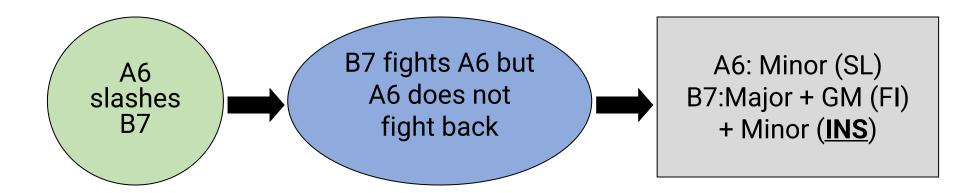
- Gross Misconduct (Travesty of the Game)
- Match (Attempt to Injure / Deliberate Injury)
- No Penalty

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)



3rd PLAYER IN



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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".



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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.



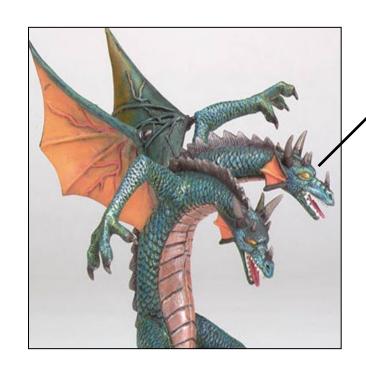




The "another fight, same stoppage" aspect of Rule 7.10 (e) iii is a two-headed monster!

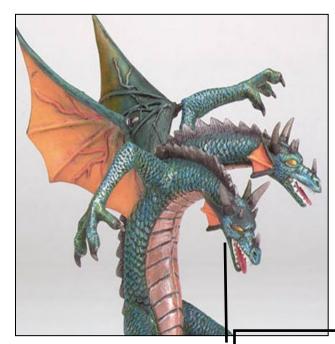






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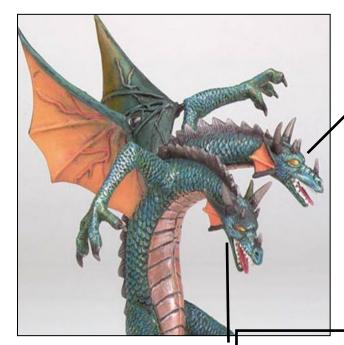




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- "<u>Same Stoppage</u>" means the period of time between when play is stopped and the instant that the puck is dropped to resume play.





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





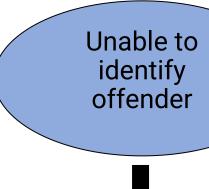
Example of Application of Rule 7.10 (e) iii

- 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





Rule 8.4(a)(e)(f)

Offender identified



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Bench Minor

Bench Minor + GM (if player) or GRM (if Team Official)



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



Play

Player: GM

Tm Off: GRM





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