STICK FOULS

RULE 58 BUTT-ENDING

58.1. BUTT-ENDING

The action whereby a Player uses the shaft of the stick, above the upper hand, to check an opposing Player in any manner or jabs or attempts to jab an opposing Player with this part of the stick, whether contact is made or not.

58.2. DOUBLE-MINOR PENALTY

The Referee shall, at their discretion, assess a Double-minor Penalty to any Player who attempts to "butt-end" an opponent.

58.3. MAJOR PENALTY

The Referee, at their discretion, shall assess a Major Penalty to a Player who "butt-ends" an opponent. Refer to Rule 58.5 for an additional Game Misconduct Penalty.

58.4. MATCH PENALTY

The Referee, at their discretion, may assess a Match Penalty if, in their judgment, the Player recklessly endangers their opponent by "butt-ending". Such assessment of reckless endangerment shall be based on the severity of the infraction, severity of the contact, the degree of violence and the general reprehensibility involved.

58.5. GAME MISCONDUCT PENALTY

A Game Misconduct Penalty must be assessed anytime a Major Penalty is imposed for "butt-ending".

58.6. DISCIPLINARY MEASURES

If deemed appropriate, Supplementary Discipline can be applied by the Proper Authorities at their discretion.

→ Rule 28 – Supplementary Discipline.

RULE 59 CROSS-CHECKING

59.1. CROSS-CHECKING

The act of using the shaft of the stick between the two hands to forcefully check an opponent.

59.2. MINOR PENALTY

The Referee shall, at their discretion, assess a Minor Penalty, based on the degree of force and violence, to a Player guilty of "cross-checking" an opponent.

59.3. MAJOR PENALTY

The Referee, at their discretion, may assess a Major Penalty to a Player guilty of "cross-checking" an opponent, and who recklessly endangers the fouled Player in a way that at the discretion of the Referee such Player would not be sufficiently sanctioned by imposing a Minor Penalty. Refer to Rule 59.5 for an additional Game Misconduct Penalty.

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