

The Corporation of the Township of North Huron

By-law No. 36-2024

A by-law to adopt an Ice In/Ice Out Policy for the Corporation of the Township of North Huron.

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WHEREAS Section 5(3) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, provides that a municipal power, including a municipality's capacity, rights, powers and privileges under section 9, shall be exercised by by-law unless the municipality is specifically authorized to do otherwise;

AND WHEREAS Section 224 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, states it is the role of Council to develop and evaluate the policies and programs of the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Huron is desirous of adopting an Ice In/Ice Out Policy;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Huron ENACTS as follows:

1. That the Ice In/Ice Out Policy attached hereto as Schedule "A" is hereby adopted and shall form an integral part of this by-law.
2. That upon coming into force and effect, this by-law shall repeal and supersede all previous by-laws or resolutions and parts of the by-laws or resolutions inconsistent with the provisions of this by-law, including any previously adopted Ice In/Ice Out Policies.
3. That this by-law shall come into force and takes effect on the day of the final passing thereof.

Read a first and second time this 21st day of May, 2024.

Read a third time and passed this 21st day of May, 2024.

Paul Heffer, Reeve

CORPORATE SEAL

Carson Lamb, Clerk

Township of North Huron

Ice In/Ice Out Policy



1. Purpose

- 1.1. The purpose of this policy is to establish a consistent level of service for the provision of artificial ice at North Huron recreational facilities; and, to establish conditions under which the ice season may be reduced or extended.

2. Policy

2.1. **Regular Ice Season**

- The Township of North Huron will provide artificial ice at the Blyth & District Community Centre and the North Huron Westcast Community Complex on an annual basis.
- The regular ice season will be from October 1st – March 31st subject to the availability of staffing.
- If, in March, ice usage declines to the point where it is less than 35 hours per week at either facility, ice will be removed from the facility with the least amount of hours booked and all activities will be moved to the remaining ice facility.

2.2. **Pre-Season Ice**

- The Township of North Huron will consider offering pre-season ice at the North Huron Westcast Community Complex following Labor Day.
- The minimum number of hours for ice time will be identified annually through the Fees and Charges process. The minimum number of hours will be a weekly allotment and can be purchased as such starting with the 4th week of September.
- Groups would indicate their commitment by submitting a completed Allocation Request Form to the Recreation Supervisor by mid-June. Staff will respond to all requests by end of June to confirm that the threshold of 30 hours/week has been committed to. Following that, payment in full is required by the third Wednesday of July. Should any of the deadlines (of the mid-June for application and 3rd week of July for full payment) not be met, then the ice will be installed on October 1 of that year.
- The rental fee collected for pre-season ice will be non-refundable once the ice plant has been started.
- The decision to offer pre-season ice is an operational decision that will be at the discretion of the Director of Recreation & Children's Services.

2.3. **Extended Ice Season**

- The Township of North Huron will consider extending the regular ice season pending involvement in a playoff season.