



**NOTICE OF MOTION  
HOCKEY CANADA PLAYING RULES  
APPROVED FOR 2006 – 2007**

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**Submitted By:** Hockey Canada Officers

**Hockey Canada Playing Rule Number:** 3 (a)

**Old Wording:**

3(a)

3.96 m (13ft.) from each end of the rink, a red line, 5.08 cm (2 in.) wide, shall be marked on the ice parallel to the end boards. This line shall extend across the rink and be known as the “Goal Line”

Where rinks are unable to meet this measurement, a distance of 3.20 m (10ft. 6in.) is permitted.

**Approved New Wording:**

3(a)

3.35 m (11ft.) from each end of the rink, a red line, 5.08 cm (2 in.) wide, shall be marked on the ice parallel to the end boards. This line shall extend across the rink and be known as the “Goal Line”

**Rationale:**

To tie into the new rule emphasis to enhance speed and skill of players in the game. This change increases the amount of attacking space to promote offensive skill development.



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**Submitted By:** Hockey Canada Officers

**Hockey Canada Playing Rule Number:** 3 (b)

**Old Wording:**

3(b)

On rinks 56.39 m (185 ft.) or more in length, blue lines, 30.48 cm (12 in.) wide, shall be marked on the ice parallel to the goal lines at a point 18.29 m (60 ft.) from each goal line, while the neutral zone shall take up the remaining space in the centre ice area. These lines shall extend across the ice surface and vertically on each side board and shall be known as the “Blue Lines”. On rinks less than 56.39 m (185 ft.) in length, the blue lines shall be positioned so they divide the distance between the goal lines into three equal areas.

**Approved New Wording:**

3(b)

On rinks 56.39 m (185 ft.) or more in length, blue lines, 30.48 cm (12 in.) wide, shall be marked on the ice parallel to the goal lines at a point 19.5 m (64 ft.) from each goal line, while the neutral zone shall take up the remaining space in the centre ice area. These lines shall extend across the ice surface and vertically on each side board and shall be known as the “Blue Lines”.

On rinks less than 56.39 m (185 ft.) in length, the blue lines shall be positioned so they divide the distance between the goal lines into three equal areas.

**Rationale:**

To tie into the new rule emphasis to enhance speed and skill of players in the game. This change increases the amount of attacking space to promote offensive skill development.

