

# PLAYING AREA

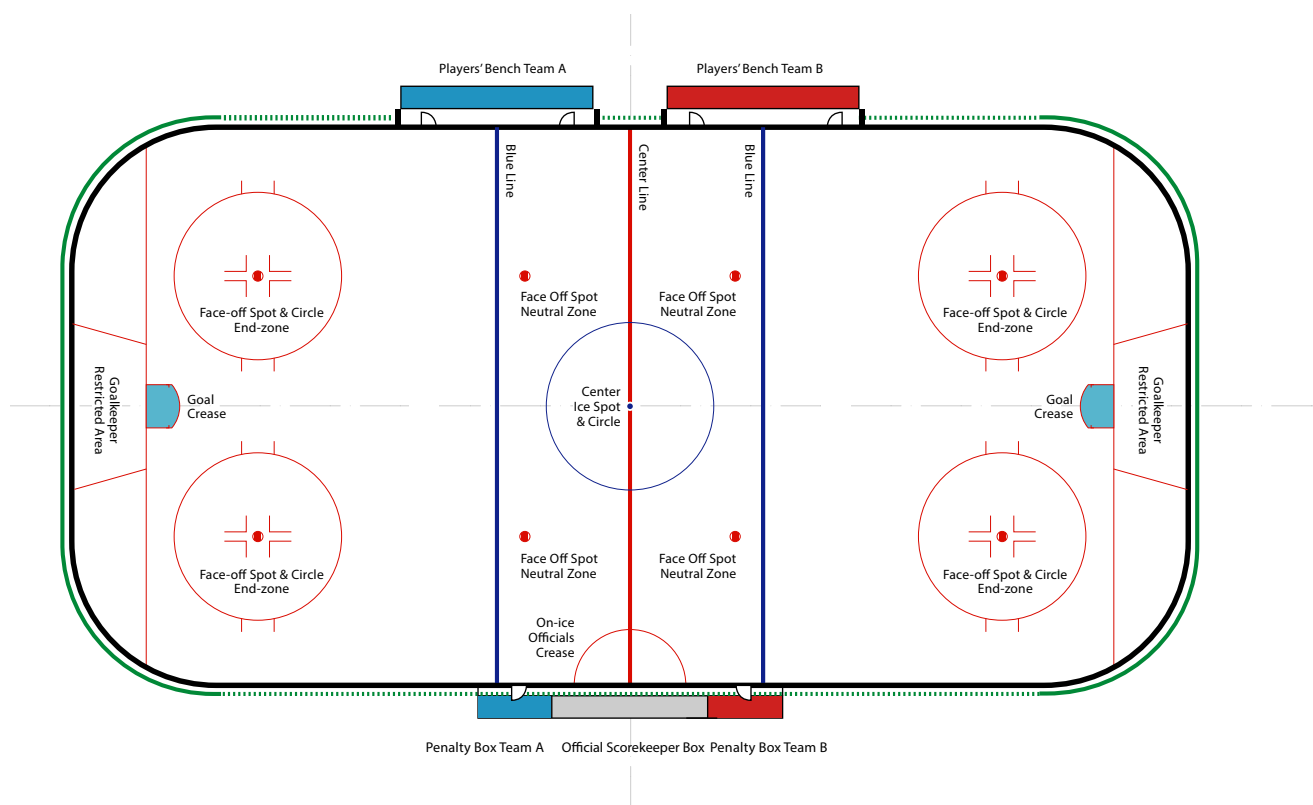
## RULE 1 RINK

### 1.1. RINK

Games under jurisdiction of the IIHF shall be played on an ice surface known as the “Rink” and must adhere to the dimensions and specifications prescribed by the IIHF and these rules.

No ice markings shall be permitted except those provided for under these rules unless express written permission has been obtained from the IIHF. On-ice logos must not interfere with any official ice markings provided for the proper playing of the game.

In the interval between periods, the ice surface shall be flooded unless mutually agreed to the contrary.



### 1.2. DIMENSIONS

The official size of the Rink shall be 60 m long and 26 m to 30 m wide. The corners shall be rounded in the arc of a circle with a radius of 7.0 m to 8.50 m. Any deviations from these dimensions for any IIHF competition require IIHF approval.

→ For more information refer to Appendix VI – Infographics.

### 1.3. BOARDS AND PROTECTIVE GLASS

The Rink shall be surrounded by a wall known as the “Boards”. The ideal height of the boards above the ice surface shall be 1.07 m. Except for the official markings provided for in these rules, the entire playing surface and the Boards shall be white in color except the “Kick Plate” at the bottom of the Boards, which shall be light yellow in color. Any variations from any of the foregoing dimensions shall require official authorization by the IIHF.

The Boards shall be constructed in such a manner that the surface facing the ice shall be smooth and free of any obstruction or any object that could cause injury to Players. Affixed to the Boards and extending vertically shall be an approved “Protective Glass” construction which allow the sections to be flexible. The height above the Boards behind the Goals must be 2.4 m and must extend