



ACHA Ice Hockey Shootout Protocol

1. At the end of the five-minute overtime period, head official will instruct the timekeeper to put two minutes on the clock and immediately start the clock.
2. The other officials will request a list of three shooters from each coach.
3. The referee will meet at center ice with the captains to explain the protocol during the two-minute period.
4. The goalkeepers change ends.
5. The home team has the option of shooting first or defending first. If Team A's first two players score, while none of Team B's players score, the shootout is over and Team A wins the shootout.
6. If the shootout remains tied at the end of this round, each coach will select a different shooter, this time in a sudden-death situation. The first three shooters are ineligible until all other bench players have attempted a shot, if necessary. Each team has an equal number of chances to shoot before a winner is declared.
7. If the goalkeeper attempts to stop the shot by throwing his stick or any object, or by dislodging the net for any reason, the Referee shall make one of the following determinations:
 - a. Award a goal if the referee deems the player would have scored into the area normally occupied by the net had it not been dislodged;
 - b. Allow the shot to be re-taken if the player does not score or it could not be determined if the puck would have entered the area normally occupied by the net; or
 - c. If the net becomes dislodged after the puck has crossed the goal line thus ending the shot, the above determinations do not apply, the shot is complete.

Notes

- Players serving penalty time shall not be eligible for the shootout and shall remain in the penalty box during the shootout.
- If a goalkeeper is injured in the shootout, the goalkeeper may be immediately replaced by a goalkeeper off the bench. The injured goalkeeper may not re-enter the shootout.
- All players not actively participating in the shootout must remain on their bench.
- Goalkeepers may be substituted, but no warm-up time will be allowed.
- If video replay is available, it may be used to confirm shootout goals.
- All rules governing a penalty shot shall be in effect.