



- Officials should only officiate a game alone if they are comfortable with the level and division.
- An official may stop the game at any time.
- No Official should feel pressured to take a solo assignment; Referee-in-chief, the league and officials' assignors will support the officials' decision.
- Ask the minor officials and/or teams to help with player numbers for goals and assists
- Speak to the teams prior to the game to inform them that that they will need to place the ring after ALL stoppages.
- 1. Skate the lane opposite Players benches in a 'mini-J'.
- 2. Players are not used to having officials always on one side of the ice, make sure you skate closer to the boards, like you do in the two official system so that you are not in the way
- 3. As with the two official system, DO NOT skate around players when the play is on the boards. When the ring moves off of the boards hustle to get into position.
- 4. It is usually necessary to trail the play **slightly** in order to keep play in front of you.
- 5. Stop at the offensive/defensive face-off dot, or possibly the free pass dots. Adjust position fluidly, to and from the side boards, to accommodate skaters cycling around the defensive triangle.
- 6. At ALL stoppages in play indicate the team color and point to the free pass circle where the free pass will take place. Instruct players to place the ring. This will help to maintain a consistent flow.
- 7. As usual, when goalkeeper ring is awarded, instruct players to pass the ring to the goalkeeper.
- 8. On free passes and goalkeeper ring always take the position as the lead official; assume that the play will move in a forward direction.