



# STANDARD OF PLAY

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Version II



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# Overview



- Significant changes were achieved.
- Players, coaches, officials and individual leagues should all be commended for their commitment to the New Standard of Play.
- The Canadian Ball Hockey Association felt that full compliance would take up to five years.
- With continued diligence by officials, this time frame is being reduced so that we will see our goal reached either this season or next summer.

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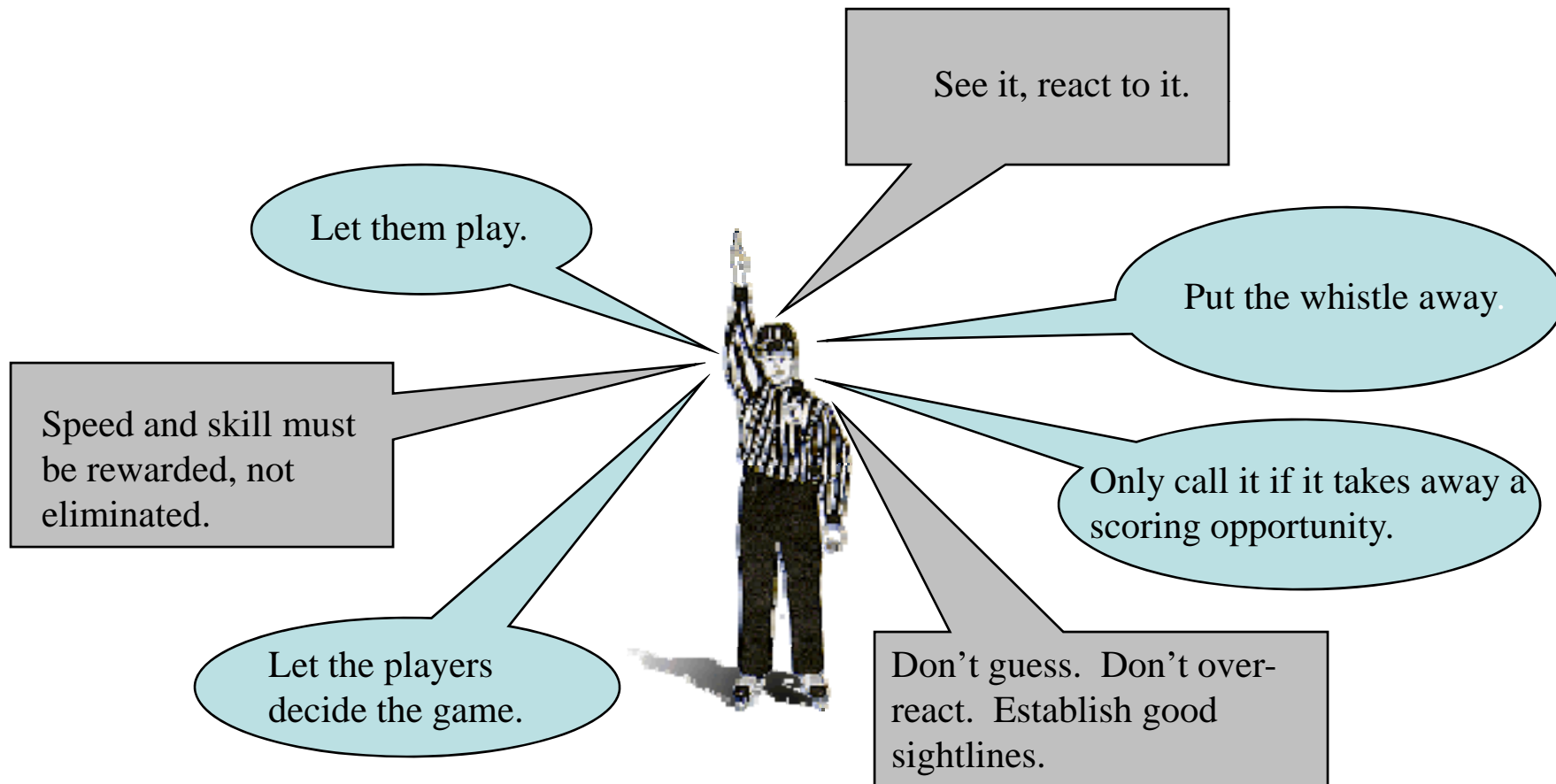


# Your Role.....



Break officials of **old habits** and establish new ones.

Motivate the change.





# Issues with New Standard of Play

- Some officials had difficulty transitioning to the New Standard.
- Applying the proper rule to the offence - eg hooking instead of Interference.
- **Phantom calls** made – official saw only part of the play and reacted.
- **Positioning was paramount** – to ensure proper sightlines bad positioning means missed calls.

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# Safe & Fair



- The official must also ensure that the game is *fair* to all players. This is done by ensuring that the rules are adhered to.
- The primary function of all officials is to ensure the *safety* of all players in the contest.
- When the official ensures the game is safe and fair to all, then the *integrity* of the game is maintained.

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# Competitive Advantage



- Refereeing by the new standard is about recognizing when a player uses an unfair tactic to gain a competitive advantage; e.g. Holding, Hooking, Interference.
- Recognizing when actions move from the “danger zone” to “actions of consequence” will determine if a penalty shall be called.

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# How?



- Refereeing is about “SEEING AND REACTING”, not “PICKING AND CHOOSING” when it comes to the Standard of play.
- Calling penalties based on the act.
- A possible missed infraction is justifiable, but a phantom call is unacceptable.



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