

BROOMBALL STUDY GUIDE

Equipment

Ball, Brooms (household or regulation brooms), and Goals.

Teams

Teams are made up of six players per side. One player is the designated goalie.

Objective of the Game

The object is to propel a small ball down a field or court and into a net. The ball must wholly cross over the goal line to be considered a goal. The game of broomball can be played on an athletic field, gym court, or ice. Good strategy involves charging the ball and being aggressive on offense and defense.

Face-Off

A face-off occurs at the start of a game and after each score. One player from each team faces-off in the center of the court/field, they touch sticks three times in succession and then go after the ball.

Conduct of Play

1. The broom may not be raised above waist height.
2. The ball may not be intentionally kicked, however it can be stopped with the feet.
3. No body checking (pushing) is allowed.
4. No tripping or unnecessary roughness is allowed.
5. Only the goalie may use his/her hands stop the ball.
6. A lofted ball (a ball hit into the air) must be allowed to drop to the floor. (except for a shot on goal.) Therefore, players are not allowed to bat down balls.

Goalie Privileges

1. The goalie can play the ball with any part of his/her body.
2. The goalie may stop the ball with their hands or feet, but may not throw or kick the ball.
3. If the ball is caught, it must be dropped to the floor/field/ice immediately and cleared with the broom or feet.
4. No player or broom may enter the goalie crease except for the goalies.
5. The goalie wears no special equipment.
6. The goalie may leave the crease if they choose, but then lose their goalie privileges.

Out of Bounds

If a ball goes out of bounds, the ball is awarded to the opponent near the spot where the ball traveled out of bounds. If the ball goes off two opposing sticks, a face off is taken near where the ball went out of bounds.

Rough Play

Players may be removed from the game for rough play. Play aggressive, but play fair.