# Checking Skills Development Program





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### **Project Description**

The aim of the CTC Program is to implement a checking skills development program within our Feeder Program to educate players on how to properly deliver a check and how to effectively receive a check.

It hopes to facilitate a safe and comfortable transition for youth players from nonbodychecking to bodychecking competition and to help players gain confidence with body contact and bodychecking.



2014 – 2018 IIHF Rule Book - Rule 43. v. "Bodychecking is an integral element of the game. It is the most common method of gaining control of the puck. For a bodycheck to be legal, it must meet a series of criteria specified by these rules."





## **Project Goals**

#### Areas of Need

#### <u>Lack of</u> <u>Knowledge/Experience</u>

- Transition from nonbodychecking to bodychecking play



- <u>Retention of Players</u>
  - Loss of players due to uncomfortableness from transition; injuries; lack of confidence

### <u>Aims</u>

- Introduction and Education
  - Provide players with the opportunities to be introduced to body checking in a safe and progressive manner
    - 1) Body Contact and Gaining Confidence with Contact
    - 2) Introduction to Body Checking and Establishing High Standard of Play
- <u>Establishment of Safe But Competitive</u>
  <u>Environment</u>
  - Reduction of injuries
  - Retention of players

