BASIC BROOMBALL RULES

1. **PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT, RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS, AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK** – Waiver must be signed by all participants.

2. **NUMBER OF PLAYERS** - Games are generally played with 6 players (5 + goalie).

3. **LENGTH OF SHIFTS** – At the discretion of the user group.

4. **HELMETS** - Helmets are not mandatory but are highly recommended. It is further highly recommended that goalies wear full face masks.

5. **SHOES** - Clean-soled running shoes must be worn.

6. **BODY CONTACT** - There is no body contact.

7. **PENALITIES** - All penalties will be 3 minutes.

8. Any player who intentionally damages equipment will be billed for the cost of replacing it. In addition, the player may be suspended or removed from the facility permanently.

9. Verbal abuse of an official or another player will result in ejection from the game.

10. Goalies must serve their own penalties.

11. **SLIDING** - No sliding; all dangerous slides and sliding to block a shot will be whistled down. (penalty)

12. **BALL CONTACT** - On face-offs, the stick must make contact with the ball before the ball may be touched with the feet.

13. Kicking the ball is only allowed to direct the ball from the kicker's foot to their own broom.

14. Players can knock the ball down in the air with their hand but cannot carry the ball.

15. Goalies may not cover the ball outside the crease (penalty).

16. Goalies may not hand pass the ball forward but may pass it back to the corners.

17. **STICKS** - Sticks should be kept below shoulder height. Sticks may be above shoulder height to shoot only if there is no one at risk of being hit.

18. If the ball is touched by a stick above shoulder height, it will be whistled dead, and a face-off will occur.

19. A high stick near another player (at the official's discretion) or contacting another player, will be considered dangerous play. (penalty).

20. Players may not throw their stick (penalty).

21. **GOALS/GOALIES** - Only one defensive player is allowed in the crease if the goalie is out of position. If the ball goes through the crease, an opposing player may follow it but he may not score with a foot in the crease.

22. **OFFSIDE** - The blue line is the offside line.

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