

Goaltending Equipment Clarifications
June 1st 2005

At the semi-annual meeting of the Canadian Lacrosse Association the equipment review committee chairperson discussed goaltending equipment and recommends the following for the 2005 season.

Goaltender Pants:

1. Must conform to the body.
2. Any additional material would have to be removed.
3. Pants with foam inserts, the inserts have to be removed.
4. Goaltenders that do not meet the above will not be able to play unless they wear different pants.
5. The present rule of 11" (eleven inches) will be enforced for the 2006 season.

Shin Guards: (above the knee)

1. Must conform to the body.
2. Any additional material would have to be removed.
3. The top strap has to be fastened making the shin guard conform to the body.
4. If the top strap were missing it would have to be taped to conform to the body.
5. The present rule of the kneecap fiber being 11" (eleven inches) will be enforced for the 2006 season.

Shin Guards: (below the knee)

1. Must conform to the body.
2. Any additional material would have to be removed.
3. The straps have to be fastened making the shin guard conform to the body.
4. If the straps were missing it would have to be taped to conform to the body.
5. The present rule of 9" (nine inches) below the knee will be **enforced** for the 2006 season.



Goaltender Masks:

1. Must be CSA or meet NOSCAE standards.
2. The cat eye mask cannot be used by a goalie with the shell type helmet unless it is the new CSA approved Itech mask.

Chest and Arm Protector:

1. You can only wear one set of chest and arm protectors.
2. The arm can only be 9" (nine inches) and the measuring guide must be able to go over this and slide up and down.

3. Off the shoulder you can come out 5” (five inches) on each side.
4. Above the shoulder you can come up 3” (three inches).
5. No additions should be added to this equipment.
6. You may use tape to bring the chest and arm protector to the measurements.
7. This equipment must conform to the body.

All goaltender equipment must conform for 2006; referees will continue to measure the goaltenders equipment for the 2005 season. The goaltender’s equipment must conform to the body at all times. Any goaltender needing custom equipment will require a letter from the manufacturer and approved by the Member Association for 2006.

Media Release regarding Illegal Cateye Masks:

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 31, 2005 Release #05-182 ITECH Recall Hotline: (877) 832-3366
CPSC Consumer Hotline: (800) 638-2772 CPSC Media Contact: (301) 504-7908

CPSC, ITECH Announce Recall of Hockey Goalie Masks and Replacement Wires

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named below, today announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of Products: ITECH Profile 2100, 1100 and 8.0 hockey goalie masks and ITECH RP607 and RP609 goalie mask replacement wires.

Units Sold: About 5,000.

Manufacturer: Mission-ITECH Hockey, of Kirkland, Quebec, Canada.

Hazard: The metal wire on these products could break at or near a weld point, exposing a hockey goalie to facial injuries.

Incidents/Injuries: ITECH received three reports of injuries sustained from the wire breaking at or near a weld point. The injuries included superficial facial and eye injuries.

Description: The recalled hockey goalie masks and replacement wires are non-certified models with a cat-eye design and have the word "ITECH" printed on the sides and front of the mask. The ITECH Profile 2100, 1100 and 8.0 goalie masks came in black or white. A label identifying the model and size (medium or large) is affixed to the rear crown of the helmet. In addition, the back of the helmet has a large red triangular warning label. The ITECH RP607 and RP609 replacement wires are black, white and chrome and include a unique side attachment design - they are attached to the helmet/mask by four screws and posts without the use of any additional clips.

Sold By: Sporting goods and hockey specialty stores between January 1999 and September 2004 for about \$250 for the mask and about \$60 for the replacement wire.

Manufactured in: Canada

Remedy: Consumers should stop using the masks and replacement wires immediately and return them to the company for a free replacement unit.

Consumer Contact: Call ITECH toll-free at (877) 832-3366 or send an e-mail to recall@itech.com

Firm's Media Contact: Randy Burns at (514) 697-9900.

To view this recall online, please go to our website at:

<http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml05/05182.html>