

2021-22 TRANSITION RULES

RULE	ISSUE	TRANSITION RULE
1.	Generally	Except where expressly stated, nothing in these transition rules ("Transition Rules") shall affect or diminish any rights or obligations of the parties under the 2013 collective bargaining agreement ("2013 CBA") as modified by the memorandum of understanding dated July 6, 2020 ("2020 MOU"). Provided, however, that in the event that any item was unintentionally omitted from these Transition Rules, the parties shall negotiate in good faith to attempt to reach agreement on a means of addressing that issue consistent with the principles in these Transition Rules. In the event of a truncated or incomplete Regular Season (as compared to the currently contemplated 82 game schedule), the parties will negotiate the terms of how these Transition Rules shall be adjusted to best account for such circumstances. Attachment M ("Transition Rules") of the 2020 MOU and the 2020-21 Transition Rules will serve as the basis for such negotiations.
2.	Extension of Expiring Contracts	All SPCs which are scheduled to expire on June 30, 2022 are hereby extended and shall remain valid and effective until July 12, 2022, unless otherwise agreed to by the parties.
3.	Buy-Outs and Buy-Out Payments	The parties agree that for purposes of First Period Buy-outs done following the 2021-22 season, the rights of the Club/Player will be determined as if the Buy-out had occurred as of June 15, 2022.
4.	2022 Salary Arbitration Procedures	<p>Unless the parties reasonably agree otherwise on or before June 1, 2022, for 2022, the parties will conduct all Salary Arbitration hearings "in-person" with attendance being limited to persons who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19. Attendants who prefer to participate remotely (e.g. via Zoom) will be accommodated.</p> <p>If the parties agree to conduct the hearings "remotely", the remote hearing procedures utilized during the 2020 and 2021 Salary Arbitration periods shall be used.</p>
5.	"Taxi Squad"	To the extent the parties agree that the conditions during the 2021-22 season warrant the formation of a "Taxi Squad," such Taxi Squad will be created provided the parties agree upon terms acceptable to both parties. The regulations attached to the 2020-21 Transition Rules as Attachment D ("Taxi Squad Regulations") will serve as the basis for such negotiations.
6.	Section 16.12	A Club may request that a Player that is deemed unfit and/or unavailable to play by the Club Physician pursuant to the COVID-19 Protocol be designated a Non-Roster Player pursuant to Section 16.12 of the CBA. This does not apply to a

		<p>Player that is subject to quarantine requirements due to a Recall.</p> <p>A Player so designated must be placed back on the Club’s Active Roster immediately upon receiving appropriate clearance by the Club Physician to return to play pursuant to the COVID-19 Protocol.</p> <p>A Club may request that a Player that is acquired via Trade, Waiver Claim or signing an NHL SPC and who is unavailable to play due to the quarantine requirements of the COVID-19 Protocol be designated a Non-Roster Player pursuant to Section 16.12 of the CBA for the duration of such quarantine.</p> <p>A Player so designated due to quarantine requirements must be placed on the Club’s Active Roster immediately upon completing their quarantine protocol.</p> <p>All Non-Roster designations provided for above shall be subject to the approval of the Commissioner or his designee and will be subject to the provisions of Section 16.12(c).</p>
7.	No-Trade/No-Move Clauses	<p><i>No Trade Lists Submission Dates</i> Contracts containing No Trade/No Move Clauses in which the No Trade Lists Submission Date is July 1, 2022, will be deemed amended such that such No Trade Lists Submission Date is July 13, 2022.</p> <p>Contracts containing No Trade/No Move Clauses in which the No Trade Lists Submission Date occurs after July 1, 2022 and on or before August 15, 2022, will be deemed amended such that such No Trade Lists Submission Date will occur on the corresponding number of days after July 13, 2022.</p> <p>Contracts containing No Trade/No Move Clauses in which the No Trade Lists Submission Date occurs after May 15, 2022 and prior to July 1, 2022, will be deemed amended such that such No Trade Lists Submission Date will occur on the corresponding number of days prior to July 13, 2022.</p> <p><i>Alteration/Effective Dates</i> Contracts containing No Trade/No Move Clauses in which the terms of such clause are altered on, or come into effect as of, July 1, 2022, will be deemed amended such that such alteration or effectiveness will occur on July 13, 2022.</p>

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8.	2021-22 Critical Dates Calendar	As agreed between the NHL and NHLPA. See Attachment A.
9.	Section 50.5(f)	<p>Any contract “extensions” entered into following the execution of these 2021-22 Transition Rules that begin with the 2022-23 season and provide for Signing Bonus attributable to the 2022-23 season, may not provide for Signing Bonus payments in advance of July 13, 2022.</p> <p>A Player with a multi-year SPC that expires following the 2022-23 season may not enter into an SPC extension prior to 12:00 p.m. ET on July 13, 2022.</p>
10.	Miscellaneous Issues Related to July 13, 2022	<p>i) An SPC signed following the execution of these 2021-22 Transition Rules that includes the 2022-23 season cannot contain Signing Bonus attributable to the 2022-23 season that is payable prior to July 13, 2022, provided, however, this shall not apply to SPCs that have traditionally been permitted to include Signing Bonus payable prior to July 1 of the first League Year of such SPC (e.g. ELS SPCs, Non-ELS first NHL SPCs).</p> <p>ii) Any Player who traditionally would not be permitted to sign an SPC for the 2022-23 season prior to July 1, 2022 (e.g. a Player who is currently a free agent having previously had an NHL SPC) shall not be permitted to enter into an SPC for the 2022-23 season prior to 12:00 p.m. ET on July 13, 2022.</p> <p>iii) Any UDC/DRUFA who does not sign within a permissible window to sign a future SPC commencing with the 2022-23 season shall not be permitted to enter into an SPC for the 2022-23 season prior to 12:00 p.m. ET on July 13, 2022.</p> <p>iv) Through July 12, 2022, a Club’s compliance with the Reserve List restriction of no more than 50 Players signed to an SPC will be determined based on the number of Players on their Reserve List that are under</p>

		<p>SPC for the 2021-22 season. From July 13, 2022, compliance with such restriction will be determined based on the number of Players under SPC for the 2022-23 season.</p> <p>v) "In-Season Cap Accounting" (Section 50.5(d)(i)(B)) and "Projected Off-Season Cap Accounting" (MOU Item #61) will continue to be applicable through July 12, 2022, and "Off-Season Cap Accounting" (Section 50.5(d)(i)(A)) will become applicable on July 13, 2022.</p>
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ATTACHMENT A: 2021-22 CRITICAL DATES CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
March 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Trade Deadline (3:00 p.m. New York Time)
April 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Last Day of Regular Season
May 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stanley Cup Playoffs Begin
June 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Last Possible Day of Stanley Cup Playoffs
July 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ First Buy-Out Period Begins
July 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Deadline for First Club-Elected Salary Arbitration Notification (5:00 p.m. New York Time)
July 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 2022 NHL Draft – Round 1
July 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 2022 NHL Draft – Rounds 2-7
July 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Deadline for Qualifying Offers, which are not open for acceptance prior to July 13
July 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Restricted Free Agents may make contact with Clubs (including their own) regarding potential interest, but may not sign new SPCs or Offer Sheets until the opening of RFA/UFA Signing Period ▪ First Buy-Out Period Ends (5:00 p.m. New York Time) ▪ Club’s ability to offer own potential UFA an eight (8) year SPC expires (11:59 p.m. New York Time)
July 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ RFA/UFA Signing Period Begins (12:00 p.m. New York Time) ▪ Qualifying Offers open for acceptance (12:00 p.m. New York Time)
July 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Deadline for Player-Elected Salary Arbitration Notification (5:00 p.m. New York Time) ▪ Deadline for RFA Offer Sheets for First Club-Elected Salary Arbitration (5:00 p.m. New York Time) ▪ Commencement of Second Club-Elected Salary Arbitration Notification (5:01 p.m. New York Time)
July 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Deadline for Club-Elected Salary Arbitration Notification (5:00 p.m. New York Time)
July 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Qualifying Offers Expire Automatically (5:00 p.m. New York Time)
July 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ First Day of Salary Arbitration Hearings
August 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Last Day of Salary Arbitration Hearings
August 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Last Day for Issuance of Salary Arbitration Awards
48 hours after Club’s last Salary Arbitration Award/Settlement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Deadline to Exercise Salary Arbitration Walkaway Right

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48-hour period beginning at 5:00 p.m. New York Time on the 3 rd Day after Club's last Salary Arbitration Award/Settlement ¹	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="544 235 1230 268">▪ Deadline for Such Club's Second Buy-Out Period

¹ For example: if the Club's last Salary Arbitration Award/Settlement occurs on Saturday before 7:00 p.m. ET, the 48-hour period for the Second Buy-Out Period would be from 5:00 p.m. ET on Tuesday through 5:00 p.m. ET on Thursday. However, if such Award/Settlement occurs on or after 7:00 p.m. ET on Saturday, then such 48-hour period would be from 5:00 p.m. ET on Wednesday through 5:00 p.m. ET on Friday.