

Columbia Ice Rink Clock Instructions for 8U Half Ice Games



Figure 1. Image of the Columbia Clock

1. Turn the clock on using the toggle switch on the back of the clock.
2. The screen will display "Resume game?": press CLEAR / NO.
3. The screen will display a 4-digit code (4402): press ENTER / YES.
4. To enter the warm-up time on the clock: press SET MAIN CLOCK; use the number pad to enter the time (e.g., 3 minutes); press ENTER; press START to begin the clock once the team is on the ice.
5. To enter the time for the first period: press SET MAIN CLOCK; use the number pad to enter the time (e.g., 24 minutes); press ENTER; press START to begin the clock when the puck hits the ice at the face-off.
6. To sound the buzzer for a shift change: press HORN every two minutes during game play (for example, if the first period is 24 minutes, sound the first buzzer at 22 minutes, the next buzzer at 20 minutes, etc.). The yellow HORN button on the clock and the black Horn button on the auxiliary gadget both work. There is an Auto Horn feature that, in theory, sounds the buzzer automatically, but historically, it has been unreliable.

The clock runs continuously after puck drop until the period is over. The clock does not stop for a penalty. The clock does not stop if a player is injured unless the injured player is still down on the ice when the buzzer sounds for a shift-change. If an injured player remains down at the shift-change buzzer, press STOP to stop the clock (and press HORN a few times to ensure the other game stops play). Similarly, if the half-ice boards fall down during game play, stop the clock (safety hazard to continue play with the boards down). Once the injured player is off the ice or the boards are up, press START to restart the clock.

7. After the first period, repeat step 4 to put two minutes on the clock for the break in between periods. This step is optional. You can also just hit the HORN button after about 1-2 minutes have elapsed to give the teams a reminder that the break is over.
8. After the break, repeat step 5 to enter the time for the second period.