

Icing and offside

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[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Offside_\(ice_hockey\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Offside_(ice_hockey))

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