

“I can only see my favorite player in the playoffs.”

從漏洞到封鎖：NHL中LTIR上限救濟的演變

From Loophole to Lockdown:
The evolution of LTIR Cap Relief in NHL

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objective (facts, information)

What is LTIR?

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Long-Term Injury Reserve (LTIR) is

a system used when a NHL player is expected to miss a long period time because of injury or illness.

LTIR（長期傷病名單）是當球員因傷病或疾病而預計長時間缺席賽事時使用的名單工具

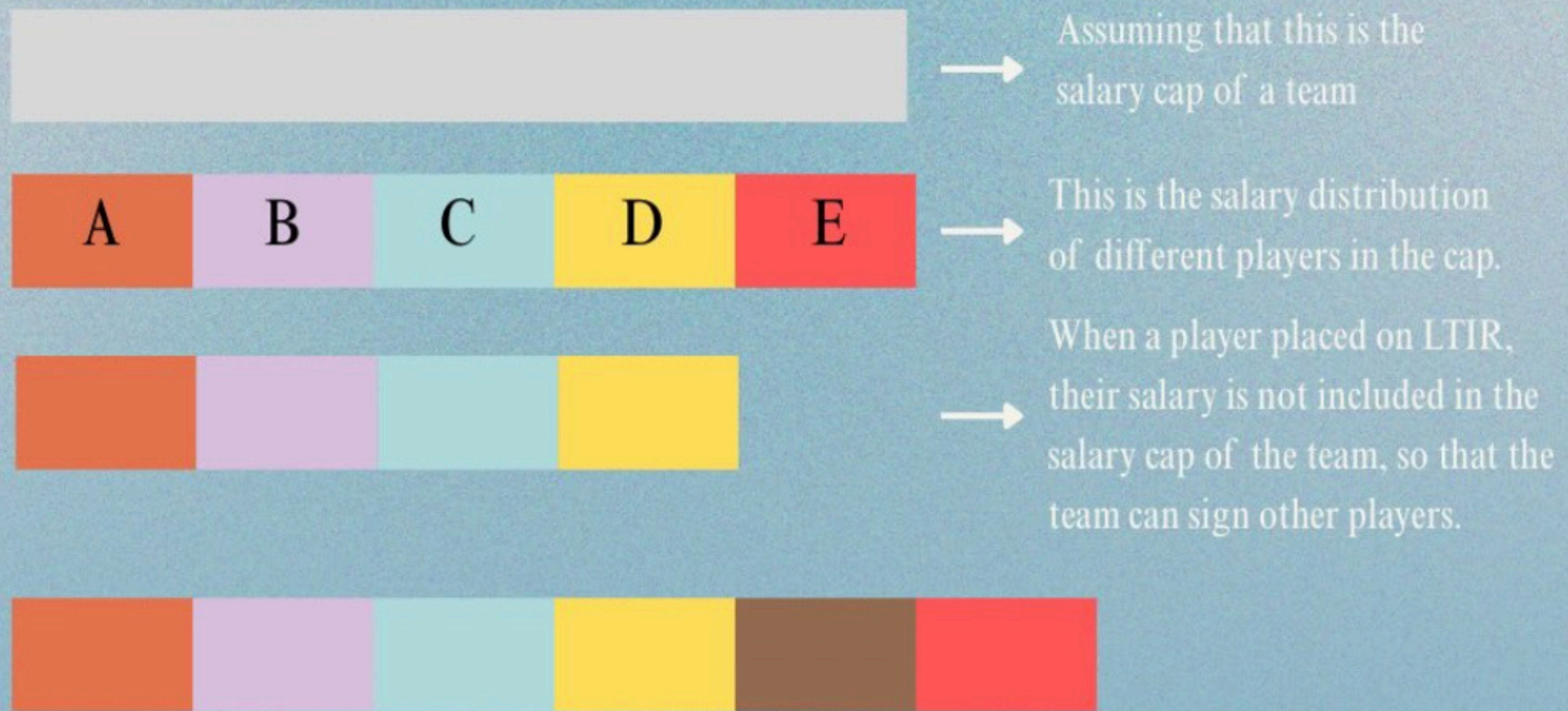
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How does it work under the salary cap system?

LTIR如何作用在薪資上限的制度中？

When the player placed on LTIR, the team can temporarily exceed the salary cap.

當球員被安排在LTIR時，球隊可以暫時超過工資上限。



In the playoffs, the team is no longer subject to the salary cap, both new players and players in LTIR can join the game. This loophole has become a tool for some teams to hoard combat power.

They will put high-paid star players on the list and sign new players.

Those star players will miss regular games for a long time until the playoffs start.

Reflective (feelings, reactions, experiences)

How did you feel about teams using LTIR to gain an advantage during the playoffs?

你對球團在季後賽中利用LTIR獲得優勢有什麼看法？

Interpretive (meaning, importance , implications)

What does the use of LTIR reveal about the challenges of maintaining fairness under a hard salary cap?

LTIR 的使用，揭示了在硬性薪資上限制度下維持公平性時所面臨的哪些挑戰？

The use of LTIR shows that even a hard salary cap system can have loopholes. Teams may use the rules strategically to gain advantages, so the league must constantly adjust the rules to keep competition fair.

LTIR的使用表明，即使是硬性工資上限制度也存在漏洞。球隊可能會戰略性地利用規則來獲得優勢，因此聯盟必須不斷調整規則，以保持競爭公平。

THE 2025 FIX — NEW LTIR LIMITS

2025年的修正案，祭出新的LTIR限制

- LTIR salary cap relief during the regular season is no longer based on the injured player's average annual salary, but instead on the league's average salary as the maximum cap relief limit for teams.

例行賽的LTIR薪資上限減免標準，不再以受傷球員之平均年薪為標準，改以聯盟平均薪資為球團薪資限制減免上限

- If a team wants to receive cap relief beyond the league average salary threshold, the player placed on LTIR must be classified as a “season-ending LTIR case.”

若球團欲取得高於聯盟薪資平均的上限減免，放置於LTIR的球員須為「賽季報銷型個案」

- Any player returning from LTIR must comply with the newly established playoff salary cap and submit a “playoff salary cap snapshot” before being allowed to participate.

任何從LTIR回歸的球員，皆須提交「季後賽薪資上限快照」，符合新設立的季後賽薪資上限始得參賽。

Decisional(action, next steps)

*If you were an NHL
general manager, how
would you manage
your team's salary cap
under the new rules?*

如果你是NHL中球團的管理職，
你會如何根據新規則管理團隊的薪資上限？