



NAMING YOUR HOCKEY TEAM

As you are aware, the Age Division changes are now in effect, and it is mandatory that this is reflected in all communication materials. This includes but is not limited to; website, advertisements, reports, signage, flyers, internal/external email, printed registration materials, forms, policies, online registration related text, policies/manuals, education materials, etc.

Age Group	Former Name	New Name
6 & Under	Initiation	Under-7 or U7
7 & 8	Novice	Under-9 or U9
9 & 10	Atom	Under-11 or U11
11 & 12	Peewee	Under-13 or U13
13 & 14	Bantam	Under-15 or U15
15, 16 & 17	Midget	Under-18 or U18

In 2021 – 2022, Hockey Manitoba introduced a new regulation in regard to name teams and developing logos. Please be sure to familiarize yourself with this regulation.

Regulation K. 18: Team Names

a) Team names shall be comprised of the location (MHA, town/city or community center) of the team as well as the second name (ie: Winnipeg Jets).

b) All team names/logos are subject to review and approval by Hockey Manitoba. Hockey Manitoba reserves the authority to deny any team names/logos are found to be inappropriate or offensive. This includes, but is not limited to, racial, homophobic, sexist, or xenophobic connotations.

Naming your team in the HCR

Most teams have already been created in the HCR but you may need to edit the team names from year to year, and in some cases will need to create a new team. When doing so, the guidelines below must be adhered to.

Team Name - this MUST follow the Hockey Manitoba guidelines.

a) At the minimum, your Team Name must include in the following order:

- MHA/Community Centre (required)
- Nickname (optional)
- Female (required for all female teams only). Must use FEMALE do not use “girls”
- Age division (required)

For example: Gimli Wolves U11 or Gimli Wolves Under-11/Gimli Wolves Female U11 or Gimli Wolves Female Under-11

b) If you have multiple teams in one age division, you can further differentiate the teams in the name. This is often done by adding a color, number or using the coach’s last name.

For example: Gimli Wolves U11 Red and Gimli Wolves U11 Blue or Gimli Wolves U11 One and Gimli Wolves U11 Two or Gimli Wolves U11 Smith and Gimli Wolves U11 Jones.

- c) If you are creating a **DOUBLE ROSTERED** team for Provincials only you must include “Provincial” in the team name. (see Regulation D.5 for more info on Provincial teams). This is only used for double rostered teams put together for provincials, if this is a regular season team that just happens to be going to provincials, you DO NOT use this example. This can also be used for double rostered teams created to attend tournaments.
For example: Gimli Wolves U11 Provincial or Gimli Wolves U11 Tournament
- d) Team Short Name (only required when creating a team from scratch) – this can be made up at your discretion. An example, using Gimli Under-11, would be GMHU11.