



Junior Registration Guide

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1. Introduction

This document serves to outline the administrative responsibilities and requirements of Junior Hockey organizations as they pertain to the Hockey Manitoba regulations and registration policies. It is important to note that there will be additional registration responsibilities and requirements to your league, and it is incumbent upon each organization to ensure they are aware of those further obligations.

The requirements, responsibilities, and policies are defined in a number of places:

1. Hockey Canada regulations found in the Hockey Canada By-Laws (available on the Hockey Canada website).
2. Hockey Manitoba regulations found in the Hockey Manitoba Regulations and Rules of Competition (available on the Hockey Manitoba website).
3. League regulations found in your League's constitution (available from your league).
4. Hockey Manitoba registration policies (found in this document).

**It is important to always confirm that you are working off the most recent version of these documents. **

It is the duty of each organization to ensure they have educated themselves on all regulations, responsibilities, and policies as applicable to the registration of their team(s).

Each team/organization is required to appoint one individual to act as the liaison between their team/organization and Hockey Manitoba for registration purposes. This person will be responsible for ensuring the compliance of the team/organization with all applicable requirements, regulations, and policies, this person will henceforth be referred to as the "Team Registrar".

2. Communication

At the beginning of each season the name, email address, and phone number of the Team Registrar, as well as a mailing address for the team, will be provided to Hockey Manitoba. Teams will not be permitted to begin carding any players for the season until this information has been submitted. The Team Registrar is responsible for all communication between Hockey Manitoba and their team/organization. If a team/organization chooses to have multiple individuals involved in the administration of their team/organization, they must appoint one of those individuals as the Team Registrar. Due to the number of teams, MHAs, Leagues, and Regions that Hockey Manitoba is required to communicate with, all information will be sent to *one* individual with the team/organization, and it is up to that person to relay applicable information to other individuals within their organization.

Any point in which this document states to "contact Hockey Manitoba" or "submit to Hockey Manitoba" the contact for the 2026 -2027 season is:

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Communication with Hockey Manitoba is limited to office hours only. All enquiries will be dealt with between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday. Should there be anything of concern outside of office hours you are to contact your league representative. If there is a registration issue, an email explaining the situation should be sent to Hockey Manitoba so as there is a time stamped paper trail as to what has transpired. This will be dealt with when office hours resume. In the event of an emergency situation, you can contact Hockey Manitoba CEO, Trevor Buhnai.

3. Dates to Remember

Below you will find a list of fixed dates as they apply to registration management. For a complete list of Dates to Remember for the current season, including all programs and events, please see the Hockey Manitoba website.

June 1	First official day of the season
September 1	Final date for Junior teams to declare themselves operative to Hockey Manitoba
September 1	First day of sanctioned on-ice activity
December 1	Final date to obtain coaching certification
December 1	Final date for completed CRC
December 15	Final date to file team on team affiliation
January 10	Final date for releasing players to be eligible to register up until February 10
January 10	Final date by which Junior teams must reduce their rosters to 25 cards
January 15	Final date to declare affiliate players
February 10	Final date for registration of Junior players
April 30	Final day of sanctioned on-ice activity
May 31	Final official day of the season

The official administrative season is defined as June 1st – to May 31st. Hockey Manitoba only sanctions on-ice activities between the dates of September 1st and April 30th. Excluding Hockey Canada events and programs, any on-ice activities that happen outside of that time frame may only be done so with written permission from Hockey Manitoba.

4. Hockey Canada Registry

All registration is managed through the Hockey Canada Registry (HCR), an online database used to facilitate registration across the country. Each team is required to use this system to track the registration of their players, coaches, and bench staff. Individuals must go through training and sign off on the Hockey Manitoba Privacy Policy in order to access this system.

HCR access is granted on a seasonal basis. At the official start of the season (June 1st) Hockey Manitoba will provide information to all Junior teams that will outline the steps they will need to complete in order to gain access to the system. Once access is granted, the Team Registrar will have an active account until May 31st of the current season, or until they leave their position with the team, whichever comes first. If teams wish to have multiple individuals access the HCR on their behalf, they will each be provided their own account. Each account may only be used by the individual assigned to it. **YOU CANNOT SHARE LOG IN INFORMATION OR YOUR ACCESS WILL BE IMMEDIATELY REVOKED.**

The steps required to gain access to the HCR are as follows:

- I. Provide the name, email, and phone number of the Team Registrar to Hockey Manitoba.
- II. Complete the Confidentiality Agreement for the current season. (Appendix A)
- III. Remit any outstanding balances to Hockey Manitoba.
- IV. Junior B, C and MMJHL teams must also pre-pay for their cards for the season – an amount that will be pre-determined by Hockey Manitoba on a yearly basis and communicated to the teams in the week prior to June 1st.

It is important to note that teams may not start signing players for the new season until they have been granted access to the HCR.

Any individuals that have not used the HCR previously will be required to complete the appropriate HCR training before they are permitted to use the system. Individuals that have used the HCR previously are welcome to take training as a

refresher, should they wish. Individuals that have taken training but have not shown the needed proficiency may be flagged to take additional training at the discretion of Hockey Manitoba.

If at any point during the current season, the Team Registrar or any other individual accessing the HCR on behalf of your team, should leave or be removed from their position, Hockey Manitoba must be notified immediately so that we may terminate their account. If an individual is no longer operating on behalf of a Hockey Manitoba team/organization, they are not permitted to access any of these records as it would be in violation of the Privacy Policy.

5. Fees

Each year, teams are required to pre-pay for their cards and the team fee. The amount and method of payment varies depending on the Junior league you are associated with. This payment must be made before you will be permitted to begin signing any players for the new season, and before you will be granted access to the HCR. Any player cards that are signed before this step has been taken will be considered void and those players are free agents.

We require each team to pre-pay for 25 player cards, five team officials (coaches, managers, safety person, etc.) and the team fee. At the end of the season, we will reconcile your registration to determine if you used that many cards or not. If you did not use that many, you will be sent a cheque for the credit amount. If you used more than that which was paid, you will be sent an invoice for the outstanding balance. There are also fees for transferring players from outside of Manitoba and those will be added to the reconciliation at the end of the season.

Pre-payment is as follows:

Junior A	Fees for player cards, team officials cards and team fees are included in the league fees to the MJHL. The MJHL forwards payment to the Hockey Manitoba office.
MMJHL	Fees for player cards and team official cards are paid directly to the Hockey Manitoba office. Team fee is included in the league fees to the MMJHL which are then forwarded to Hockey Manitoba.
Junior B	Fees for player cards, team official cards, and the team fee are all paid directly to the Hockey Manitoba office.
Junior C	Fees for player cards, team official cards, and the team fee are all paid directly to the Hockey Manitoba office.

Fees can be paid by cheque, credit card (in-person or over the phone with an additional 3 % service fee), **etransfer** or debit (in-person only). For a full listing and breakdown of the fees for the current season, please see Appendix B.

6. Registration

All registration is done through the Hockey Canada Registry. Training for this system will be provided by the Hockey Manitoba office on an annual basis. The purpose of this document is to cover all information pertaining to registration that is not outlined in the HCR.

With regard to registration, Hockey Manitoba operates only during office hours. This means assistance will only be provided to teams during this time. This also includes transfer and team approvals. For every aspect of registration, you are required to do as much as you can to complete the necessary steps. Because there are multiple approval levels for some steps, you may not be able to fully complete a registration. As long as you have taken all the steps you possibly can, we will permit participation. This means, for example, if you sign a player on Friday night at 6:00 pm, you are required to

add him to your roster and request approval prior to his participation with your team. Since office hours will not resume until Monday morning, as long as you have made the request, he will be eligible to participate, even though he will not yet show up as approved. Requests will be reviewed Monday morning, and should an issue be found, this will prevent him from participating further until it has been resolved. If we can determine that all available steps were taken and a good faith effort was made to complete the registration, Hockey Manitoba will not apply any consequences for what has taken place leading up to that point. Your league would still be able to apply consequences at their own discretion.

If you are unable to complete the available steps due to technical error, or you are unsure of the process, an email must be sent to Hockey Manitoba outlining what you are attempting to do including all applicable paperwork (player cards, releases, etc.). Do not proceed unless you have made the effort and documented your attempt. Only send an email if you are unable to complete any of the available steps.

The information in Section 6 does not apply when it comes to USA Transfers, please see Section 12 for more information.

7. Carding Players

7.1 Signing Players

Each season you are required to sign your players to a Hockey Manitoba Player Registration Certificate (Appendix C) before they are permitted to participate in any regular season activity with your team. You may not sign a player to a registration certificate unless the appropriate release/trade documents are in your possession.

7.2 Player Eligibility

Any players that were carded on the final roster of a team in the previous season will remain the property of that team until November 15th of the current season. If the player does not sign with that team as of November 15th, they become a free agent. The only way to maintain a player's rights beyond November 15th is to do so with a Player Protected List. Player Protected Lists will consist of the active-roster players as well as any players the team wishes to protect the rights of. The Player Protected Lists will be managed by the league, which includes establishing the total number of players permitted on the list as well as communicating any changes to the lists to all teams in the league. The standard list size for Junior hockey in Canada is 50 players.

7.3 Release Requirements

Any players that were carded on the final roster of a team in the previous season will remain the property of that team until November 15th of the current season, the only exception to this is for players that have aged out (graduated) from their previous age division. This means third year U18 players only. If the players have not graduated from their previous team, they cannot sign with another team until either December 1st, or the previous team provides a release for the player in question.

If a player is coming from a lower-level Junior team, you may not approach them to try-out for your team until June 1st. Any conversation with that player prior to that date would be considered tampering. As of June 1st, you may invite players from lower-level Junior teams to try-out with your program. If they choose to attend your try-out camps, you are required to inform their previous Junior team that they are trying out for you. These players would not need a release to try-out, but should you choose to sign them, a release would be required.

If a player is coming from a higher-level Junior team, you may not approach them to try-out for your team until you have written approval from their previous Junior team. If you approach a player from a higher-level Junior team to try-out for your team without this written permission, it would be considered tampering. Once you receive the written permission,

the player would be eligible to try-out for your team. Should you choose to sign this player, a written release would then be required to do so.

If a player is coming from a team that they are no longer eligible to return to, based on their age, a release is not required. This would apply to any players that were on a final roster for an Under-18 or High School team at the end of the previous team.

It is important to note that “try-outs” refer to all pre-season camps, exhibition games and tournaments. A “written release” means an email, letter on a team letterhead, or Junior Release form (Appendix C). Text messages are not accepted as formal communication.

7.4 Rostering Players

When you choose to sign a player, you will need to have them complete a Player Registration Certificate, henceforth referred to as “player card”. **As of the 2022 – 2023 season, Hockey Canada requires some additional information from every registered individual – make sure you have the player fully complete the player cards!** Once the player card is completed, it is the responsibility of the Team Registrar to input that information into the HCR. Each player will already have a profile in the system, it is up to the Team Registrar to confirm/update any of their personal information and then add the player to the roster. **Once a player has signed, you have a maximum of 24 hours to initiate this process, if you have a game within that 24-hour time frame, it MUST be done before game time.** This does not need to be done prior to try-outs and/or pre-season exhibition games or tournaments. To “initiate this process” means that you take all steps available to you to complete the rostering process. In some cases, this means you will have to initiate a transfer, and due to the levels of approval it must pass through, the player may not yet appear on your roster, but as long as you have taken as many steps as you can, he will be eligible to play. Once the transfer is approved, you must immediately add him to your roster. **If any of the process outlined in Section 7.3 is not followed, the player will be considered ineligible. Use of an ineligible player will compromise the insurance of everyone in participation, could result in loss of points/game result and/or a fine.**

All players that are signing will count towards your 45-card limit. You are not permitted to sign players that are not subsequently registered in the HCR.

7.5 Required Paperwork

When carding a player, you must ensure you have all applicable paperwork in place before they are eligible to put pen to paper. In addition to a completed player card, they could also need further paperwork depending on their age and where they last played. A full list and description of all registration documents can be found in Appendix C.

- Players that are graduated U18 (or high school) will only require a completed player card. This applies to third year U18/high school players only that are coming from a U18 or high school team. This means they just completed their third year of eligibility for U18 hockey, this does not mean they had to play all three years of U18 hockey.
- Players that last played for another Junior team will also require a written release from their previous team.
- Players that are 17 as of December 31st of the current season, and last played U18 or high school will require a written release from their previous team or region.
- For Junior A and Junior B only - players that are 16 as of December 31st of the current season will require a written release from their previous team or region, and a signed U18/Junior Agreement (Appendix C).
- American players must be at least 18 years of age. A USA transfer would also be required in addition to the paperwork described above. More information on USA transfers can be found in Section 12.

Players may also need to have records transferred in the HCR, this does not require any additional paperwork but will require extra steps in the database. These steps are covered in the HCR training.

It is the responsibility of the Team Registrar to keep all paperwork on file. Both hard copies, or electronic versions are acceptable. If you are using an electronic version, this must be a readable PDF, and cannot be a picture of a form. Most forms are not submitted to our office but should be available as we may audit a team at any time to produce paperwork to confirm a registration should there be any dispute. If you are audited, you will have 24 hours to produce the requested paperwork, failure to do so will result in a \$200.00 fine for each outstanding item as per regulation J.4.

7.6 Releasing Players

If a player is being released from your team it is the responsibility of the team to provide a written release (see definition in Section 7.2) to the new team. It is then the responsibility of the Team Registrar to make the changes to your roster in the HCR. If a player has been traded, you may use the trade agreement in place of a written release. IMMEDIATELY upon releasing the player or making the trade, the changes must be made in the HCR. The new team will be looking to transfer and roster the player and there should be no administrative delays on this.

8. Carding Team Officials

8.1 Signing Team Officials

Each season you are required to sign your Team Officials (also referred to as “Bench Staff”) to a Hockey Manitoba Officials Registration Certificate (Appendix C) before they are permitted to participate in any regular season activity with your team. Anyone that will be participating in any on-ice activity with your team is required to sign a registration certificate. Individuals that are not participating in on-ice activities but will be on the bench (ex: trainers, safety people, etc.) must also sign a registration certificate. If an individual is not participating in on-ice activities, and is not going on the bench, (ex: equipment manager, GM, etc.) they are not required to sign a certificate however they will NOT be considered a member of the team and will NOT be insured. It is in your best interest to sign these individuals.

As with the player cards, once a team official’s card is completed, it is the responsibility of the Team Registrar to input that information into the HCR. Each person will already have a profile in the system, it is up to the Team Registrar to confirm/update any of their personal information and then add the team official to the roster. **Once a card is signed, you have a maximum of 24 hours to initiate this process, if you have a game within that 24-hour time frame, it MUST be done before game time.** This does not need to be done prior to try-outs and/or pre-season exhibition games or tournaments.

8.2 Team Officials Certification

All rostered team officials are required to be appropriately certified according to their position with the team. Please refer to Section K of the Hockey Manitoba Constitution, Regulations and Rules of Competition to view the certification requirements. Certification must be completed prior to December 1st. Team Officials will be permitted to participate prior to December 1st without the appropriate certification, in their first season only. If they do not meet the certification requirements by that date, a fine of \$50 for each outstanding certification will be applied to the team. This fine must be paid in full and all online aspects of the missing certification must be completed before the individual will be permitted to participate. Further information regarding this regulation can also be found in Section K of the Hockey Manitoba Constitution, Regulations and Rules of Competition.

8.3 On-Ice Participants

It is important to note that not every rostered team official is eligible to participate in on-ice activities. The only individuals permitted to go on the ice are those that are rostered as coaches. This would include Head Coach, Assistant Coaches and Goalie Coaches. Anyone rostered as a GM, Manager, Safety Person/Trainer, or Equipment manager is not permitted to

participate in on-ice activities. The only exception that would be made is when a Safety Person/Trainer is required to go out on the ice in an emergency situation to tend to an injured player.

8.4 Criminal Record Checks

All rostered team officials over the age of 18 are required to complete Vulnerable Sector Check (VSC), this is good for three years, it will then need to be renewed every three years with a Criminal Record Check (CRC). The process will start with a Screening Disclosure Form which will be provided through a link from Hockey Manitoba. Once that has been completed, anyone that has been flagged will be notified by the league and will not be permitted to participate until a completed VSC/CRC has been provided to and cleared by Hockey Manitoba. Anyone that has not been flagged is free to participate as normal and would be required to present a completed VSC/CRC to the league prior to December 1st. To view the complete [Coach & Team Officials Screening Policy](#), please visit the Hockey Manitoba website.

9. Roster Deadlines

Each team can use up to 45 players cards in one season. Of these 45 cards, a maximum of 25 cards may be in use at any time, two of which must be goaltenders.

9.1 December 1st Deadline

As of the 2023 – 2024 season, Hockey Canada has changed its regulations regarding rostering deadlines to no longer include the December 1st cut down date. There is no action on this date moving forward.

9.2 January 10th Deadline

As of January 10th, at 6:00 pm, all teams must submit a list of 25 cards to Hockey Manitoba. This should be on an official Hockey Manitoba Team Roster (Appendix C) and must be in alphabetical order. This is submitted via email to Hockey Manitoba. This list includes all active players as well as open roster spots. The number of open roster spots submitted reflects the number of players you are eligible to sign up to the final carding date of February 10th. Open roster spots may only be used for individuals that either did not play yet this season or were released prior to January 10th. Players released after January 10th, shall be ineligible to play with any other team. After January 10th, no team shall be able to release any of its players and replace the player released by any other new player. Any players not included on this list are considered to be free agents.

It is the responsibility of the Team Registrar to submit this list and then to make the appropriate changes to the roster in the HCR. Failure to comply with this deadline will result in a \$200 fine per outstanding item.

9.3 February 10th Deadline

February 10th is the final date for all Junior teams to sign players. If you have any open cards, they must be used by 6:00 pm on this date and any submissions received after the deadline will not be accepted. You may only use your open cards for players that were released prior to January 10th or have not been carded so far this season. No further changes are permitted following this date and any unused cards will be forfeited for this season.

Please note that you do not need to submit a paper copy of your roster at this time but if you make changes to your HCR roster you will need to request the appropriate approvals.

10. Affiliation

Junior teams are eligible to affiliate players from lower categories/divisions to allow teams to dress the maximum number of players for a game in situations of injury or illness. Teams have two options when it comes to affiliation: team to team affiliation or individual player affiliation.

10.1 Types of Affiliation

Team to Team Affiliation: when a Junior team declares a lower category team as their affiliate team – sometimes referred to as “farm team”. This would allow that team to use any of the players from the declared lower-level team as affiliates throughout the season. The affiliate team must be declared prior to the use of any affiliate players. Should a Junior team choose to use team to team affiliation, they would not be permitted to affiliate any players from any other team. This option is not common practice for Junior teams in Manitoba.

Individual Player Affiliation: when a Junior team affiliates up to 19 players (two of which must be goaltenders) from various lower division/category teams. This would allow that Junior team to use players from a number of different teams across the province. A Junior Affiliation Agreement (Appendix C) would need to be completed for each individual player. This is the common practice for Junior teams in Manitoba.

10.2 Affiliation Process

Teams wishing to use team to team affiliation must provide a letter to Hockey Manitoba outlining the request, indicating which two teams will be involved. Said letter must be signed by both teams. This letter must be submitted prior to the use of any of the players from the affiliate team.

Team using individual player affiliation will be required to complete an affiliation agreement for each individual. If you wish to affiliate a player, you must first approach the Head Coach/Manager of the team they are registered with. To approach the player first would be considered tampering. Once you have the approval of the Head Coach/Manager, you can contact the player. The affiliation agreement will need a signature from the player, the primary team, and the affiliate team. An affiliation agreement must be completed and submitted to Hockey Manitoba prior to the player participating in a game with your team. The affiliation agreement is only filed once, however your team is required to first contact the primary team’s Head Coach/Manager every time you want to use their player. You may not use a player without permission, and it is within the primary team’s right to deny the request.

AFFILIATE PLAYERS ARE NOT ENTERED IN THE HCR BY THE TEAM. This will be handled by the Hockey Manitoba office.

10.3 Affiliation Eligibility

Players are permitted to affiliate (AP) to a higher-level team but cannot affiliate laterally. Players are only permitted to affiliate with one team in a league. For the purposes of affiliation in Manitoba, the Leagues are ranked as such:

MJHL - Junior A
MMJHL – Junior OA
KJHL/CRJHL – Junior B
HTJHL – Junior C

A team in any one of these leagues would be permitted to affiliate players from teams in any of the leagues listed below them.

Players would be permitted to AP with up to 3 Junior leagues under the new regulations – although still only one per level. The restrictions would allow for a team from two of the following levels PLUS and MMJHL team:

Junior A
Junior B
Junior C*

*Second Year (16-year-old) U18 AAA players are not permitted to affiliate to a Junior C team.

Affiliation is on a first come first served basis and once a player has been added to your affiliation list, they cannot be removed or replaced, even if you have not used the player. Do not hang on to affiliation agreements until you want to use the player. As soon as it is completed it needs to be submitted to Hockey Manitoba as other teams may try to sign the players to their affiliation lists. Once the form is completed, you have 24 hours to submit it to Hockey Manitoba. If you wish to use them in a game within that 24-hour timeframe, it must be done prior to game time.

Affiliation rights are terminated at the end of each season.

10.4 Number of Games

An affiliate player is eligible to AP up to ten games with the higher-level team. If a player is on more than one affiliation list (ex: a Junior A team and a Junior C team) they are permitted to play up to 10 games with EACH team. Once a player has completed all commitments to their primary team (regular season, playoffs, tournaments, and exhibition games) they would then be eligible to AP an unlimited number of times.

Every time a player participates as an AP with your team, this counts towards their 10 games, regardless of whether they get any ice time or not. For goalies, it only counts towards their 10 games if they have any minutes played. If they remain on the bench, it is not included in their total. Their affiliation agreement would still be required prior to the game.

10.5 Emergency Goaltenders

In a situation in which the goaltenders on your affiliation list are unavailable, you would have the option of applying for the use of an emergency goaltender. This would need to be a goaltender from a lower category and someone that is not listed on another affiliation list within your league. This request must be made to the Executive Director of Hockey Manitoba, Peter Woods, via email. You will need to copy the appropriate league representative (commissioner, president, registrar, etc.) as well as Ashley Fergusson. If approved, the goaltender will only be permitted as a backup and will not be eligible to play unless the starting goalie gets sick or injured.

Approval for an emergency goaltender will only be granted if you have other goaltenders listed on your affiliation list. This is to be used in emergency situations only and is not to be used as a means of expanding your affiliation list. Abuse of this allowance could result in fines and/or loss of points.

10.6 Affiliation Deadline

All affiliate players must have an affiliation agreement completed which must be submitted to the Hockey Manitoba office within 24 hours of completion and prior to their participation with your team. The final date by which you can add affiliates to your list is January 15th. If you have not yet used a player but anticipate that you will, their affiliation agreement must be signed and submitted by 6:00 pm on this date.

On January 15th you will also be required to submit a Junior Affiliation List (Appendix C) to the Hockey Manitoba office. This must be in alphabetical order and submitted via email or fax by 6:00 pm. Failure to submit any of the documents

outlined in Section 10 by the appropriate deadline will result in a \$200.00 fine for each outstanding item and could also mean the use of an ineligible player leading to the loss of points.

11. Transfers

Any individual that was last registered with a team other than your own will require a transfer. This transfer is to move their records from their previous team to yours. Depending on where they last played, there may also be a fee associated with the transfer. Transfers are done through the HCR. The two transfer types are Inter-Association and Inter-Branch.

11.1 Inter-Association Transfers (IAT)

This type of transfer refers to any player or team official that was last registered with Hockey Manitoba but with an organization other than your own. There is no cost for an IAT.

You will not be able to add the individual to your roster until you have transferred their records to your team. If the player requires a release (see Section 7.4 to confirm) the document must be uploaded to the transfer. Transfers of this nature are reviewed and approved in one step by Hockey Manitoba. Once it has been approved, the player can be added to your roster. If it is rejected, the player must discontinue participation until the reason for the rejection has been resolved and a successful transfer has been completed.

If a transfer takes place outside of office hours, as long as the request has been made with the appropriate paperwork, the individual will be permitted to participate in accordance with Section 6.

11.2 Inter-Branch Transfers (IBT)

This type of transfer refers to any player or team official that was last registered in Canada but somewhere other than Hockey Manitoba. It is important to note that WHL teams are not considered a part of Hockey Manitoba and players transferring from a WHL team in Manitoba would require an IBT. There is a cost of \$105.00 for an IBT.

You will not be able to add the individual to your roster until you have transferred their records to your team. If the player requires a release (see Section 7.4 to confirm) the document must be uploaded to the transfer. Transfers of this nature are reviewed by Hockey Manitoba and approved by the outgoing Branch and as a result, can take a little longer to process than an IAT. Once it has been approved, the player can be added to your roster. If it is rejected, the player must discontinue participation until the reason for the rejection has been resolved and a successful transfer has been completed.

If a transfer takes place outside of office hours, as long as the request has been made with the appropriate paperwork, the individual will be permitted to participate in accordance with Section 6.

12. USA transfers

Each Junior team is permitted up to a maximum of six imports on their roster at any time. An import is defined as any player from outside of Canada. Hockey Canada regulations do not allow for non-North American imports at the Junior level. Anyone holding Canadian citizenship will not be defined as an import.

Players requiring a USA transfer will not be permitted to participate until the transfer has been fully completed and approved at all applicable levels. No USA Transfers will be processed between December 23 – January 2.

USA transfers are used to move players between Canada and the United States. These transfers are used for all American born players and will sometimes be used for Canadian born players as well, depending on where they last played.

12.1 American Born Players

All American born players will require a USA Transfer to be completed annually prior to their participation in Canada. This includes an International Transfer form (Appendix C) and a copy of their passport. These documents must be scanned into a single attachment and forwarded to Ashley. There is a fee of \$1350.00 for this transfer. It is the responsibility of the incoming team to ensure the documents are fully completed along with all applicable signatures. **Players may not participate or be added to your roster until this transfer has been approved.**

The transfer must be renewed annually.

12.2 Canadian Born Players

Any Canadian born player that was last rostered on a USA Hockey team, will be required to complete a USA transfer to return to Canada. The process is that same as outlined in Section 12.1, the only difference being that it does not need to be renewed annually.

13. Team Approvals

In order for your team to participate, your team must be approved, or have a pending team approval request. Team approval needs to be requested anytime there is a change to your roster. The act of requesting team approval notifies Hockey Manitoba that your team has been updated and the changes need to be reviewed.

For a team to be eligible for approval your roster must include at least 10 players (one of which must be a goaltender) and a coaching staff of at least one coach and a safety person.

If your team status is listed as either “Approved” or “Approval Pending”, your team is eligible to participate. If your team status is listed as “Draft” or “Rejected” your team is NOT eligible to participate. If your team was previously approved and a change has been made, it will revert to draft, and you must request approval again.

Once a team has been approved, it is possible that there are individuals on the team that have not been. In this case, anyone on the roster listed as “Approved” would be eligible to participate but anyone listed as “Rejected” would not be eligible. Individuals listed as “Rejected” are not insured and their participation would compromise the insurance of all other participants. Use of an “Rejected” player would be considered as use of an ineligible player which could result in a fine and/or loss of points. If someone is rejected, they must immediately be notified and cannot participate in any manner until the situation for which they were rejected has been rectified.

14. Non-Sanctioned Leagues

There are several Junior leagues across Canada and the United States that operate independently of Hockey Canada and USA Hockey. These leagues are known as “Non-Sanctioned Leagues” but are more commonly referred to as “Outlaw Leagues”. Participation in any of these leagues is not permitted. Any individual that participates in any Outlaw League beyond September 30th of the current season will receive a suspension from Hockey Canada that will last the duration of the current season. This suspension is for any Hockey Canada activity which would include playing, coaching, and/or officiating.

Unfortunately, because these leagues operate outside of our jurisdiction, we are not always aware of them. They are also not required to follow any regulations and there is often no option for recourse should an issue arise with the team or

league. These teams and leagues will tell players what they want to hear to get them to come play and then do not have any governing body to ensure they follow up on those promises.

The following are the main outlaw leagues that players will go to. This is only a sampling of what is out there and will be updated as more are made known. If you are ever unsure, please reach out to Hockey Manitoba.

- Greater Metro Junior A League (GMHL)
- United States Premier Hockey League (USPHL)
- Western States Hockey League (WSHL)
- BCHL

The consequences of participating with an outlawed organization can be found in Hockey Canada Action Bulletin A1915 (Appendix D)

15. Insurance

All properly registered members of Hockey Manitoba/Canada are covered by the Hockey Canada Insurance Program when participating in a Hockey Canada sanctioned event. A “properly registered member” is defined as someone that is listed as approved on a Hockey Manitoba roster and is participating within the limits of their position. This includes wearing all required equipment for this position. A “sanctioned event” is defined as an event falling under the auspices of Hockey Manitoba/Canada in which all participants are properly registered members of their appropriate branch of Hockey Canada.

The insurance program offers both liability and injury coverage. The parameters of this coverage can be found on the Hockey Canada website, or by contacting the Hockey Manitoba office.

15.1 Who is covered?

Any individual that has been properly carded with your team is covered by this insurance policy. Individuals that you have chosen not to card (equipment managers, etc.) are not covered. Again, it is in your best interest to card these individuals. Affiliate players will also be covered if they are participating within the affiliation regulations. Players must be in full equipment at any time they are on the ice, including practices. Players are not permitted to participate in practices with just skates, helmet, and gloves. Affiliate players must be wearing the required equipment for their primary team, including a full cage and neck guard.

The only team officials permitted to go on the ice are those that are rostered as coaches. This would include Head Coach, Assistant Coaches and Goalie Coaches. Anyone rostered as a GM, Manager, Safety Person/Trainer, or Equipment manager is not permitted to participate in on-ice activities. The only exception that would be made is when a Safety Person/Trainer is required to go out on the ice in an emergency situation to tend to an injured player.

15.2 Who is not covered?

In order to ensure the safety of Hockey Manitoba members we are instructing all off-ice officials to abide and respect the following Rink Safety Policy.

- Off-ice officials should never be on the ice at the same time as the players (ex: warm-up, opening ceremonies etc.)
- When the timekeeper/penalty boxes are only accessible by crossing the ice, this must be accomplished prior to the start of warm-up and/or the period and they should not leave until the warm/up or the period is expired and at no time should they be on the ice when the players are on the ice surface.

- The timekeeper/penalty boxes attendants should never cross the while the players are on the ice and must wait until the ice surface is cleared before entering or exiting the ice surface.
- Equipment managers, water/stick boys, etc. that are not carded with the team should not be on the bench. They are permitted to go out to the bench to set up prior to the game but must vacate the area and be behind the glass as soon as they are done. They are not permitted to stay on the bench to watch warm up if they are not carded. If the bench is only accessible by crossing the ice, they should not be out there during warm up. If teams wish to have them on the bench they must be carded and appropriately certified (RIS). No one under the age of 16 can be carded as support staff.
- Photographers must stay behind the glass and are not allowed in the area of play at any time during the game and/or warm-up. This includes the ice surface, bench, or penalty boxes.

Strict adherence of this policy is required, and all management must remind their staff/volunteers of the dangers and insurance implications in the event they are in violation of the policy.

15.3 Making a Claim

If an individual sustains an injury in a Hockey Manitoba/Canada sanctioned event, they may qualify for coverage through the Hockey Canada Insurance Program. This is considered secondary coverage only and if they have any primary coverage, they would be required to exhaust that first before Hockey Canada will provide coverage. If there is no primary coverage Hockey Canada will kick in right away for Canadians. Americans that are playing in Canada are required to have primary coverage.

A claim must be opened within 90 days of the accident. To do this a Hockey Canada Injury Report (Appendix E) must be fully completed and submitted to the Hockey Manitoba office. This step should happen even if the injured person is claiming through their primary coverage as well to ensure a claim is opened should they need to use it. As long as the injury report is received within the time frame, they will then have 365 days from the accident date to submit any other paperwork. This would include invoices, receipts, and/or an explanation of benefits from their primary insurer outlining what they have covered.

Coverage is secondary in nature so once the primary coverage has been exhausted, they can submit an Explanation of Benefits along with any applicable receipts/invoices to seek further coverage. Hockey Canada will cover \$750 worth of rehabilitation therapy (physio, AT, massage, chiro, etc.) as long as it has been recommended by a physician. There is also dental coverage in the amount of \$1250 per tooth to a maximum of \$3000. Dental treatment incurred for the cost of the replacement or repair of artificial teeth or dentures is not covered. Replacement or repair of permanent bridgework is.

It is the responsibility of the injured person (or parent if under the age of 18) to submit the report. If there are any issues or further information required, this is who will be contacted.

15.4 Extended Coverage

Hockey Canada offers extended dental coverage that can be purchased by your league. The coverage amount varies and would only be accessible once all primary coverage and Hockey Canada Insurance Program coverage has been exhausted. The use of the extended coverage can be coordinated by your league through Hockey Canada. Please contact the Hockey Manitoba office to be put in touch with the appropriate individual.

16. Special Event Requests

There are opportunities for Junior teams to apply for additional sanctioning for situations labeled “Special Events”. A “Special Event” would be defined as any situation in which individuals that are not members of your approved roster are participating in an event with your team. This does not include players that are affiliating.

16.1 Special Event Applications

If your team is hosting a special event, a Special Event Request (Appendix F) must be completed and submitted to the Hockey Manitoba office for approval. Examples of reasons you would need a Special Event Request are listed in Section 16.2. It is important to note that this list does not include every situation and if you are ever in doubt, your best bet is to just submit the application.

If you have multiple special events of the same nature. For instance, with the example of flag bearers from Section 16.2, you do not need a Special Event for each occasion. You can use one application and have the date range of “2024 -2025 season home games”.

If an individual that is not a member of your team participates in any sanctioned activities, it will comprise the sanction of the event and the insurance of every participant.

As per Hockey Manitoba Regulation K. 72. Hockey Manitoba does not sanction off-ice activities such as fundraisers, non-hockey athletic events, and events involving alcohol. Special Event Request for activities of this nature will not be approved.

16.2 Activities Requiring a Special Event Request

Skills Coaches: when someone has been hired assist with practices occasionally or provide a specialized session (ex: goaltender skills coach). If this person is participating more than once a week, they will not qualify under “Special Event” and would need to be added to your roster and properly certified for their position. Anyone that does qualify for Special Event approval would be required to provide your team with a completed Child Abuse Registry Check.

Flag Bearers: when a Junior team has children from the local Minor Hockey Association(s) come out on the ice for O Canada with the team. This can only be for individuals that are properly registered with a Hockey Manitoba Minor Hockey Association. PLAYERS MUST BE IN FULL EQUIPMENT. Players registered with Manitoba Sledge Hockey would also be eligible for this and would be required to adhere to the equipment regulations for that sport.

Intermission Scrimmage/Shoot Out: when a Junior team has children from the local Minor Hockey Association(s) come out on the ice at intermission to scrimmage or a few players come out to have a shoot out on the back up goalie of the Junior team. This can only be for individuals that are properly registered with a Hockey Manitoba Minor Hockey Association. PLAYERS MUST BE IN FULL EQUIPMENT. Scrimmages for U7 teams must be cross-ice, and for U9 teams must be half-ice. Players registered with Manitoba Sledge Hockey would also be eligible for this and would be required to adhere to the equipment regulations for that sport.

Shoot to Win: when individuals from the crowd are selected to participate in a shoot to win game at intermission. This can only happen when there are no other individuals (players, etc.) on the ice. These individuals would be required to wear a helmet.

Minor Hockey Practices: when players from a Junior team assist at practices of the local Minor Hockey Association(s). *This is a Minor Hockey Association hosted event and therefore it is the responsibility of the Minor Hockey Association to apply for a Special Event Request.* The Junior team does not apply but should confirm with the MHA that they have received

approval. Players are required to wear helmets. All players over the age of 18 would be required to submit a completed Child Abuse Registry Check to the MHA.

It is important to note that the above examples are not a complete list. If there are any other instances when individuals that are not members of your team are participating, you need to complete a Special Event Request. If you are unsure if one is needed, contact the Hockey Manitoba office.

17. Social Media and Networking Policy

It is the responsibility of the Team Registrar to ensure all members of the team, including Directors, coaches, administrators, billets, players, players' family members and supporters, are aware of the Hockey Manitoba Social Media and Networking Policy. Violations of this policy will result in suspension of all individuals involved. A complete copy of the policy can be found in Appendix G.



Appendix A - Confidentiality Agreement

As a staff and/or volunteer member of Hockey Manitoba, I understand that I may be provided with access to personal data through the course of my work and/or association with Hockey Manitoba. This data may include, but is not limited to, personal information about other Hockey Manitoba staff and/or volunteer members, players and prospective members and players.

I have carefully read, agree with, and accept all of the terms and conditions contained in the Hockey Manitoba Privacy Policy. I understand that my Hockey Canada Registry Account is for my own use only, and not to be shared with any other individuals. There is zero-tolerance for shared accounts and any users being found to have done so will lose their HCR privileges immediately and permanently.

I understand that by accepting the Privacy Policy, I expressly consent to manage all personal information that is collected, used, kept, secured, and disclosed on behalf of Hockey Manitoba in accordance with the terms of the Privacy Policy.

I understand that Hockey Manitoba reserves the right to amend the Privacy Policy at any time by posting the amended terms on the Hockey Manitoba website (www.hockeymanitoba.ca). All amended terms shall automatically be effective 30 days after they are initially posted on the website. Members of Hockey Manitoba must check the Privacy Policy periodically to inform themselves of any changes. I agree that my continued employment and/or affiliation as a staff and/or volunteer member of Hockey Manitoba will be considered acceptance of any amendments to the Privacy Policy.

By signature below, I represent that I agree to abide by all the terms and conditions set out in this Confidentiality Agreement. Violation of the Confidentiality Agreement will result in the immediate termination of my HCR account and loss of privileges.

Team Name (ex: MJHL – Dauphin Kings): _____

Your Name: _____

Position held with team: _____

Email Address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signing officers (Two individuals that would be eligible to sign off on releases, transfers, etc.):

1. _____

2. _____

**** Mailing Address – this is where we will send a cheque should your team have a balance with us.

Address: _____

City: _____, MB Postal Code: _____

ALL FIELDS MUST BE COMPLETED.



Appendix B



2026 - 2027 HOCKEY MANITOBA FEE STRUCTURE

	Minor Hockey 8 & Under	Minor Hockey 9 & Up High School	Junior & Senior Female Player	Male Senior Player	Junior Male A Player	Junior Male B, C & MMJHL	Coach/Team Official ALL LEVELS
Hockey Canada Fees							
Liability/Fees	11.58	11.58	11.58	11.58	11.58	11.58	11.58
Directors & Officers	5.44	5.44	5.44	5.44	5.44	5.44	5.44
Medical/Dental, AD&D	6.77	6.77	6.77	46.77	51.77*	16.77*	6.77
Insurance Sub-total	23.79	23.79	23.79	63.79	68.79	33.79	23.79
Province of MB RST	1.67	1.67	1.67	4.47	4.82	2.37	1.67
Insurance Total	25.46	25.46	25.46	68.26	73.71	36.16	25.46
Assessment Fee	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Safe Sport	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50
Hockey Canada Registry fee	3.12	3.12	3.12	3.12	3.12	3.12	3.12
Sub-total*	43.08	43.08	43.08	85.88	91.33	53.78	43.08
Hockey Manitoba Membership							
Sub-total	28.60	30.60	30.60	30.60	30.60	30.60	30.60
TOTAL FEE PER INDIVIDUAL	71.68	73.68	73.68	116.48	121.93	84.38	73.68

NOTE:

1. Insurance

- Insurance fee includes General Liability, Admin & Deductibles, Risk Management, Accidental Death & Dismemberment, Medical/Dental, Directors/Officers and RST.
- *Junior teams using full facial protection, without rule change supplement, medical/dental premium would be \$10.00/participant.

2. Hockey Manitoba Membership

- Covers the development and administration of all Hockey Manitoba programs and Hockey Canada membership and mentorship fees.
 - Additional benefits of membership are indicated under By Law 2 of the Hockey Manitoba Constitution, Regulations and Rules of Competition.

ON-ICE OFFICIAL MEMBERSHIP FEES

New Level I	135.00*	High Performance	253.00
Level I	123.00	National	259.00
Level II	138.00*		
Level III	166.00		

*All on-ice officials' fees include clinic fees, membership, insurance and applicable materials. GST is also included. All new Level I, II and III on-ice officials are also subject to online Hockey University fees.

TEAM REGISTRATION FEES: (GST Included #120196654)

\$10.50	Hockey Winnipeg: U11 – U18 teams (non-provincial)	\$105.00	Senior Male and Junior/Senior Female
\$52.50	High School, Rural U11 – U18, Hockey Winnipeg (provincial)	\$210.00	Male/Female U18 AAA, Senior AAA, MMJHL, Junior C
\$52.50	Minor (incl. Extended Season & U9 Transition Season)	\$262.50	Junior A, Junior B

Note: No team fee for all regular season U7 and U9 teams (8 and under)

CIS (Male only)

- CIS (all teams to participate in order to access Hockey Canada Insurance Coverage) \$1000.00/team Liability Coverage No-touch icing, plus Medical/Dental surcharge (see above)



Appendix C - Junior Hockey Registration Forms

1. Player Registration Certificate

This form must be completed by all players and kept on file by your team. If you cut a player and then resign them within the same season, they are required to sign a second card when they are resigned to reflect the new registration date.

2. Officials Registration Certificate

This form must be completed by each of the coaching staff and kept on file by your team. It is not required for the GM however they are only insured (ie: permitted on the bench) if this is completed.

3. Junior Roster

This must be completed and submitted to the Hockey Manitoba office on **January 10th** with a roster of 25 cards. Your 25-card roster is made up of both players and open spots. The number of open spots you have is the number of useable cards you have from January 10th - February 10th.

4. Junior Player Release

This can be used for any player that requires a release. A release can come in an email, on a team letterhead, etc. This is just an example of a form that you can use. All new players coming to your team need a release unless they are graduating from U18/High School.

5. U18/Junior Agreement (MJHL, CRJHL and KJHL only)

You are permitted to sign up to two (2) 16-year-old players. If you do, they must complete this form. Please see the form for complete details.

6. Junior Affiliation Agreement

This must be filled out by each Affiliate Player (AP) and sent to the Hockey Manitoba office **PRIOR** to their participation with your team. You have until January 15th to declare your affiliates. Affiliates cannot be released, once they are declared they are yours for the rest of the season whether you use them or not.

7. Junior Affiliation List

January 15th is the last day to declare your affiliates. On this date you must fill out this form listing all APs and submit it to the Hockey Manitoba office.

8. IIHF Transfer Form 18+

This is to be used for all players transferring in from the states. It has to be completed each year for US citizens and there is a cost of \$1350.00. A copy of this completed form and the player's passport but be saved as one document and submitted to the Hockey Manitoba office.



2026 - 2027 Player Registration Certificate

☐ Man ☐ Woman ☐ Non-Binary ☐ Prefer not to say

Last name		First Name	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy):	Birth Country:
Address		City	Province	Postal Code
Telephone No.		Email:		
What year did you move into your current residence:		Primary Language: ☐ English ☐ French		Secondary Language: ☐ English ☐ French ☐ N/A
Citizenship:		Identify as Indigenous: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Prefer not to say		If yes, please indicate the group:
Ethnicity: ☐ Black ☐ Caucasian ☐ Filipino ☐ Indigenous ☐ Japanese ☐ Korean ☐ Latin American ☐ Southeast Asian ☐ South Asian/East Indian ☐ West Asian, North African or Arab ☐ Other ☐ Prefer not to say				
Is eligible to play for the _____				☐ Player ☐ Goaltender
I last registered with the following Team(s)				
YEAR: _____ TEAM: _____ In the _____ Branch/Province				
YEAR: _____ TEAM: _____ In the _____ Branch/Province				
Hockey Canada does not sell, trade, or otherwise share the information we collect outside our Members and Associations. However, we may from time to time use this information for the purposes of offering additional services, promotions, including promotions offered by third parties, and/or hockey specific research. This type of usage of your personal information by Hockey Canada, its Members, and/or associations is entirely at your discretion. Should you choose to allow this type of usage please check the box below. I certify the information provided to be true and in consideration of the granting of this registration to me with the privileges incident thereto, and by registering I have become subject to the rules, regulations and decisions of Hockey Canada, its Board of Directors, its Members and/or associations which may be restrictive in some areas such as movement from team to team, conduct etc. and I agree to abide by such rules, regulations and decisions of Hockey Canada, its Board of Directors, its Members and/or associations. Further, the information to be provided is required by Hockey Canada to facilitate hockey programs on behalf of the registrant and Hockey Canada. Hockey Canada will treat this personal information with the utmost respect and in accordance with the Hockey Canada Privacy Policy at all times. The information above is collected for all registered participants and is required by Hockey Manitoba (it's employees, team officials, volunteers, leagues, and associations) to facilitate its hockey programs and to administer the rules that govern sanctioned events. Hockey Manitoba treats this information with the utmost respect and in accordance with the Hockey Manitoba Privacy Policy at all times. For further information on Hockey Manitoba's Privacy Policy, please visit our website at www.hockeymanitoba.ca.				
Date Signed _____		Player's Signature _____		
Date Signed _____		Branch Approval _____		
This card is issued at the discretion of the Branch Executive, and is revocable without notice				



2026 - 2027 Team Officials Registration Certificate

☐ Man ☐ Woman ☐ Non-Binary ☐ Prefer not to say

Last Name		Given Name		Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy):		Birth Country:	
Address		City		Province		Postal Code	
Telephone No.				Email:			
What year did you move into your current residence:				Primary Language: ☐ English ☐ French		Secondary Language: ☐ English ☐ French	
Citizenship:				Identify as Indigenous: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Prefer not to say		If yes, please indicate the group:	
Ethnicity: ☐ Black ☐ Caucasian ☐ Filipino ☐ Indigenous ☐ Japanese ☐ Korean ☐ Latin American ☐ Southeast Asian ☐ South Asian/East Indian ☐ West Asian, North African or Arab ☐ Other ☐ Prefer not to say							
Team Name:							
Position: ☐ Manager ☐ Head Coach ☐ Assistant Coach ☐ Safety Person ☐ Trainer ☐ Equipment Manager ☐ Other: _____							
Certification (check all that apply): ☐ High Performance 1 ☐ Development 1 ☐ Coach 2 – Coach Level ☐ Coach 1 – Intro Coach ☐ Checking Skills ☐ Respect in Sport ☐ Other: _____							
I last registered with the following Team(s):							
YEAR: _____ TEAM: _____ In the _____ Branch/Province							
YEAR: _____ TEAM: _____ In the _____ Branch/Province							
Hockey Canada does not sell, trade, or otherwise share the information we collect outside our Members and Associations. However, we may from time to time use this information for the purposes of offering additional services, promotions, including promotions offered by third parties, and/or hockey specific research. This type of usage of your personal information by Hockey Canada, its Members, and/or associations is entirely at your discretion. Should you choose to allow this type of usage please check the box below. I certify the information provided to be true and in consideration of the granting of this registration to me with the privileges incident thereto, and by registering I have become subject to the rules, regulations and decisions of Hockey Canada, its Board of Directors, its Members and/or associations which may be restrictive in some areas such as movement from team to team, conduct etc. and I agree to abide by such rules, regulations and decisions of Hockey Canada, its Board of Directors, its Members and/or associations. Further, the information to be provided is required by Hockey Canada to facilitate hockey programs on behalf of the registrant and Hockey Canada. Hockey Canada will treat this personal information with the utmost respect and in accordance with the Hockey Canada Privacy Policy at all times. The information above is collected for all registered participants and is required by Hockey Manitoba (it's employees, team officials, volunteers, leagues, and associations) to facilitate its hockey programs and to administer the rules that govern sanctioned events. Hockey Manitoba treats this information with the utmost respect and in accordance with the Hockey Manitoba Privacy Policy at all times. For further information on Hockey Manitoba's Privacy Policy, please visit our website at www.hockeymanitoba.ca.							
Date Signed _____				Your Signature _____			
Date Signed _____				Branch Approval _____			
This card is issued at the discretion of the Branch Executive, and is revocable without notice							



2026 - 2027 Junior Roster

TEAM NAME _____ DATE SUBMITTED _____

	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	IMPORT
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TEAM OFFICIALS

	SURNAME	GIVEN NAME	POSITION WITH TEAM
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3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			SAFETY

HOCKEY MANITOBA APPROVAL _____ DATE _____

****This should only be submitted January 10th by 6PM****

Players are to be listed in alphabetical order.



Junior Player Release

DATE: _____

THE _____ OF THE _____
(Team Name) (League)

HEREBY UNCONDITIONALLY RELEASE:

(Name of player)

WHOSE DATE OF BIRTH IS: ____/____/____.
mm/dd/yy

NAME: _____

POSITION WITH TEAM: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____



2026 - 2027 U18/Junior Agreement

This agreement is in place and is applicable to second year U18 aged players only. First year U18 players do not qualify under this agreement. In order to be eligible to sign with a Junior team all second year U18 aged players along with their parents/guardian and coach/general manager of the team involved must adhere to the following agreement.

1. That the player has demonstrated sufficient ability that he would play regularly. As a guideline regularly is deemed as one of the top six forwards, one of the top four defensemen, and one of the two goaltenders.
2. That the Junior team agrees to register the player on a Junior card for the season.
3. That the player be kept with the Junior team for the entire season unless an application is made to Hockey Manitoba to be removed from the team roster.
4. That no second year U18 player be granted an appeasement to the regulation can be traded during the season.
5. That the player must be signed to a Junior card prior to his 1st league game.
6. Any 16-year-old returning from the Western Hockey League or any other Major Junior Hockey team signs with a Junior team they must sign this agreement prior to his 4th league game.

Name of Player _____

Name of Junior Team _____

Signature of Player _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent _____ Date _____

Signature of Coach or
General Manager of Junior Team _____ Date _____

1. **All second year U18 players may be allowed to affiliate with a Junior hockey team as per the Hockey Canada regulations and will not exceed 10 games until such time as their season ends. First year U18 players are eligible to play as affiliate players as per Hockey Canada regulations.**
2. **Application must be returned to the Hockey Manitoba Office prior to participation.**
3. **For the purpose of this agreement a second year U18 player is considered a 16 year old as of December 31st of the current season.**

Please note: In order to prevent any abuse or misrepresentation of the agreement, all parties are subject to the submission of an appeal application fee of \$300.00 plus GST (\$315.00) in the event that either party chooses to exercise the termination of this agreement.



Junior Affiliation Agreement

I, _____, currently registered with the _____ (Team) agree to affiliate with the _____. In signing I understand the eligibility requirements and the regulations as they are outlined within the Hockey Manitoba Handbook.

- ☐ Player
- ☐ Goaltender

Date Signed

Player's Signature

____/____/____ (mm/dd/yy)
Player's birthday

**** The above-named teams both accept the affiliation of this player and understand the regulations governing this affiliation agreement. Please refer to the Hockey Manitoba Handbook for a complete outline of these regulations. As team officials, we shall be in contact always when dealing with the affiliation of this player. We understand that once the above-named player has been added to an affiliation list, they cannot be removed and as such, this may disqualify them from affiliating with other teams. We understand that the above player is released from this agreement on completion of the current season.**

Date Signed

Current Roster Team

Official's Signature

Date Signed

Affiliate Team

Official's Signature

Date Signed

Branch Approval



JUNIOR AFFILIATION LIST

TEAM NAME _____

	SURNAME	GIVEN NAME
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This form shall be submitted on JANUARY 15th (by 6pm) only. All the required Affiliation Agreements, signed by all necessary parties, shall also be submitted at this time. Affiliation Agreements for any players used before January 15th must be submitted prior to their participation with the affiliate team. Players are to be listed in alphabetical order.

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International Transfer

details see: IIHF International Transfer Regulations



☐ Player ☐ Goalkeeper

☐ Male ☐ Female

First Name: _____
according to passport

Last Name: _____
according to passport

Date of Birth: _____ (DD/MM/YYYY)

Place of Birth: _____ **Country of Birth:** _____

Citizenship(s): _____

Old National Association: _____ **New National Association:** _____

Last Club: _____ **New Club:** _____

Duration:

☐ **Limited** transfer for the following season(s): _____
The duration must be in accordance with the player's contract duration

☐ **Unlimited** transfer

Appendix needed: **Unlimited Transfer Card Request**

The undersigned player declares that they agree to abide by the IIHF Statutes, Bylaws and Regulations, including but not limited to those related to players transferring from one country and/or national association to another country and/or national association, which can be accessed on www.iihf.com. They agree not to involve any third party whatsoever outside the IIHF in the resolution of any dispute arising from this request to transfer from one country to another and/or the Statutes, Bylaws and Regulations/Codes and decisions made by the IIHF relating thereto excepting where having exhausted the appeal procedures within the IIHF in which case they undertake to submit any such dispute to the jurisdiction of the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in Lausanne, Switzerland for definitive and final resolution. They are aware that transferring to another country may affect their eligibility to play for the national team of their choice if applicable. They understand that once this application has been completed by the parties specified and then approved by the IIHF, the procedure will be complete and the transfer legal and binding. They take explicitly note of the consequences of an unlimited transfer (according to the specifications indicated in the document "Unlimited Transfer Card Request", which needs to be filled out and signed in case of an unlimited transfer). Lastly, the Player acknowledges that all personal data contained in this document (a) can and will be used to process this International Transfer and (b) may be used by the IIHF to ensure that the Player and/or their Club, League and/or Member National Association stay in compliance with the IIHF Statutes, Bylaws and Regulations/Codes.

Player:

New Club:

Date: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature: _____ **Signature:** _____

In case of minor aged players: Parent's signature _____

Annexes: - Player's passport copy



NON-SANCTIONED LEAGUES POLICY

Classification:	OPERATIONS		
Policy Section/Contact:	Legal	Approved By:	Board of Directors
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Non-Sanctioned Leagues (“NSL”) - Leagues Operating Outside the Auspices of Hockey Canada.

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I. Overview – The LTAD Model

As the governing body of amateur hockey in Canada, Hockey Canada is committed to offering the best development programs in the world. Hockey Canada and our Members have invested significant resources in the development of officials, coaches, administrators and players countrywide. We have a committed strategy toward a cohesive long term athlete development (LTAD) model and we feel our programs are second to none in sport.

The LTAD model is intended to optimize athlete development and performance. Excessive on-ice activity, particularly in high-intensity games may: (a) hinder athlete development; (b) cause repetitive strain injuries and (c) lead to athlete burn-out. The LTAD model sets out specific parameters for weekly on-ice participation, to ensure that players are not over- competing and under training and have sufficient time for rest and recovery. The goal of the LTAD model is to keep as many players playing at as high a level as possible for as long as possible.

Hockey Canada’s LTAD model includes a competitive stream and a recreational stream. The model is age appropriate, with increasing levels of on-ice activity (games and practices) as an athlete grows older. Players within the same age group engage in different levels of on-ice activity, depending on the stream in which they are participating.

The commitment level required to play on a team that is eligible to compete for a Regional or National Championship is significant. Under the LTAD model, an athlete participating at the competitive level as a 15 year old will, on average, be on the ice at least four times per week during the hockey season. That frequency can increase even further for Junior aged players.

II. Non-Sanctioned Hockey and its Impact on the LTAD Model

Despite, or perhaps because of, our success in delivering quality programming throughout Canada, other organizations operating outside our structure form leagues from time to time that offer various levels of amateur hockey programming. These “non-sanctioned” organizations do not support the development of Hockey Canada or Member programs. Further, they operate with limited, or no consideration to the impact of their programs on minor, junior, senior, adult recreational hockey, officiating development, female hockey, coaching development or administrator development in Canada. These Non- Sanctioned Leagues choose instead, in many instances, to utilize resources already developed by Hockey Canada and its Members.



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Because these Non-Sanctioned Leagues operate outside of our structure, Hockey Canada has no way of ensuring that those Leagues implement many of the fundamental safeguards inherent in Hockey Canada programs and the LTAD model. Those Leagues may not be using the same Playing Rules that Hockey Canada has implemented to protect player safety and may not provide adequate insurance for their participants. Hockey Canada also cannot ensure that the quality of play in these Leagues matches the level advertised.

III. Definitions

“Bench Staff” means coaches, assistant coaches and trainers.

“Cut-Off Date” means September 30 of the hockey season in question.

“League” means a Non-Sanctioned League.

“Non-Sanctioned League” includes any amateur hockey league that operates in Canada outside the auspices/sanctioning of Hockey Canada, or in any other country outside the auspices/sanctioning of the Member National Association of the International Ice Hockey Federation in that country. This currently does not include summer hockey leagues/teams, adult recreational hockey leagues/teams, high school hockey, college or university hockey, and/or hockey schools.

“Participate” means to engage, knowingly or otherwise, in an activity within a Non-Sanctioned League that could only be engaged in within Hockey Canada if the participant was properly registered on the Hockey Canada Registry. Such activity includes, without limitation, playing, managing, coaching, officiating, or acting as a trainer.

“Participation” in a Non-Sanctioned League will be considered to have occurred if the individual takes part in one game (including an exhibition, tournament, league or playoff game) after the Cut-Off Date.

IV. Consequences of Supporting or Participating in a Non-Sanctioned League

Hockey Canada respects the right of every individual at the beginning of each hockey season to choose between participating in a league sanctioned by Hockey Canada, or in a Non-Sanctioned League. Participating in both a Non-Sanctioned Hockey League and a sanctioned league, however, is inconsistent with the LTAD model, particularly for players and Bench Staff in Hockey Canada’s competitive stream. Every individual who makes the choice to Participate in a Non-Sanctioned League, therefore, must understand the ramifications of that choice on their ability to participate in Hockey Canada’s programming, as described in greater detail below.

A. Players Participating in a Non-Sanctioned League in Canada

- 1) In recognition of the high level of commitment required from players participating in the competitive stream under our LTDP model, Hockey Canada Regulation M.3 only allows those players to register with one team, if that team is eligible to compete for a Regional or National Championship. Consistent with those Regulations, any player who chooses to participate in a Non-Sanctioned League after the Cut-Off Date will be ineligible to register with or affiliate to a Hockey



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Canada team that is eligible to compete for a Regional or National Championship for the remainder of that season, subject to paragraph 2) below.

- 2) Notwithstanding the consequences listed in paragraph 1), any player who Participates in a Non Sanctioned League after the Cut-Off Date and ceases that Participation at some point during the hockey season, is entitled to seek early reinstatement of their privileges within Hockey Canada prior to February 10 by applying to Hockey Canada's Non-Sanctioned Hockey Reinstatement Committee ("the Committee"), which may grant early reinstatement only if it is satisfied that: (a) special circumstances exist; and (b) the player seeking reinstatement will not be displacing a player from the team of the roster he or she is seeking to join.
- 3) **The Committee shall only consider an application by a player seeking early reinstatement to play with a Canadian Junior Hockey League (CJHL) Team if their application is supported in writing by the Team they wish to play for, the League that Team plays in, the Member where that League is registered, and the CJHL (collectively the "CJHL Stakeholders").**
- 4) **Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Policy, any player described in paragraph 3) may apply for early reinstatement after the February 10th Final Registration Date if their application is supported in writing by the CJHL Stakeholders, but only if the Team the player wishes to join demonstrates the following as determined by the Committee in its absolute discretion: (i) that the Team lost a player on or around the Final Registration Date to a non-sanctioned team/league; and (ii) that such loss leaves the Team in jeopardy of being unable to continue to compete.**
- 5) **Any reinstatement submitted after the Final Registration Date under paragraph 4) may only be heard by the Reinstatement Committee following a successful appeal to the National Appeals Committee seeking special dispensation from any applicable Regulation(s) including, without limitation, Regulations E.11 and E.14.**
- 6) In an effort to be as inclusive as possible, and in recognition of the fact that a lesser commitment level may be required of players not playing on a Regional or National championship eligible team, the provisions of this section IV.A shall only apply to players who are seeking to play on teams are eligible to compete for a Regional or National Championship. In accordance with Hockey Canada By-Law 10.2 Members shall have the right to apply the policy more restrictively, as described in section V of this Policy, to meet the unique program delivery issues within their respective geographic regions.

B. Players Participating in a Non-Sanctioned League Outside Canada

Hockey Canada's Regulations prescribe the manner in which players are permitted to move from teams registered with other Member National Associations (MNA) of the International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF) to Hockey Canada. For leagues that choose not to register with the Member National Association in their country, Hockey Canada must implement appropriate measures to control orderly player movement from those leagues to Hockey Canada teams.

Any individual who participates in a Non-Sanctioned League outside Canada after the Cut- Off Date, and wishes to register with any Hockey Canada team after the Cut-Off Date must follow the reinstatement process described in section IV.A.2 above.



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C. Non-Player Participants (Bench Staff)

Hockey Canada believes that it is important for its Registered Participants, particularly those involved in the game in the competitive stream, to subscribe to and support the principles found in the LTAD Model. This includes Bench Staff, who are expected to be role models for the players, and champions of the LTAD model. If a non-player Participant chooses to Participate in a Non-Sanctioned League after the Cut-Off Date, they will not be permitted to be a member of the Bench Staff of any Hockey Canada team for the remainder of that season.

D. Non-Player Participants (Officials)

On-Ice Officials, including referees and linespersons, are representing Hockey Canada when they officiate Hockey Canada sanctioned games. It is expected, therefore, that they will be strong supporters of Hockey Canada's LTAD model and will not generally engage in officiating in Non-Sanctioned Leagues. If any Official chooses to officiate Non-Sanctioned League games after the Cut-Off Date, that Participation may be taken into account in determining whether that Official will be granted assignments for Hockey Canada sanctioned programming for the remainder of that season.

V. Further Restrictions re. Non-Sanctioned Hockey

Members may implement more restrictive Non-Sanctioned Hockey policies for Divisions and Categories of hockey that do not compete for Regional or National Championships. Any Member implementing such a policy must take appropriate measures to ensure that no player who has Participated in a Non-Sanctioned League after the Cut-Off Date, is able to play on a team that is eligible to compete for a Regional or National Championship, either through registration with, or affiliation to, that team, for the remainder of that season, without following the reinstatement procedure described in section IV.A.2 of this Policy.

VI. Other Considerations

This Policy should only be applied to individuals who are Participants in Non-Sanctioned Leagues. A parent or sibling should not be prevented from participating fully in Hockey Canada programming solely because their child/dependent, or sibling is playing in a Non-Sanctioned League.

As the governing body of amateur hockey in Canada, and in the interests of bettering the game of hockey in our country, Hockey Canada recognizes that its mission to lead, develop and promote positive hockey experiences, extends to the sharing of its expertise with anyone who might benefit from it, including those who have chosen to Participate in hockey programming in a Non-Sanctioned League. Individuals should be permitted to participate in Hockey Canada coaching, officiating, and trainer clinics, therefore, even if they are currently Participating, or intend to Participate, as a coach, official, or trainer in a Non-Sanctioned League. Members may wish to consider charging Participants in Non-Sanctioned Leagues a higher fee for these clinics, as a means of illustrating the value of being a Registered Participant of Hockey Canada.

The consequences described in this Policy will remain in effect even if the Non-Sanctioned League or team folds, or the Participant is released, suspended or fired from that League or team.



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Revision History

<i>Date</i>	<i>Version #</i>	<i>Change</i>
October 10, 2024	3.0	Adjustments recommended by CJHL reviewed by Members and minor revisions made.
January 16, 2024	2.1	Updated Gender Pronouns
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June 14, 2021	1.1	Moved to new template, no other changes
October 1, 2019	1.0	New



HOCKEY CANADA INJURY REPORT

See reverse for mailing address.

Forms must be filled out in full or form will be returned. This form must be completed for each case where an injury is sustained by a player, spectator or any other person at a sanctioned hockey activity.

CLAIMS MUST BE PRESENTED WITHIN 90 DAYS OF THE INJURY DATE.

DATE OF INJURY: ___/___/___
Mo. Day Yr.

INJURED PARTICIPANT: Player Team Official Game Official Spectator

Name: _____ Birthdate: ___/___/___ Gender: M F
Mo. Day Yr.

Address: _____

City / Town: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____ Phone: () _____

Parent / Guardian: _____ Email Address: _____

AGE DIVISION

Under-7 Under-9 Under-11 Under-13 Adult Rec
Under-15 Under-18 Under-21 Junior Senior

CATEGORY

AAA A BB CC DD House Minor Junior
AA B C D E Major Junior Other _____

BODY PART INJURED

Arm:		Leg:		Head:		Trunk:		Back:	
Left	Right	Left	Right	Eye Area	Abdomen	Neck			
Shoulder	Shoulder	Shin	Shin	Face	Chest	Lower			
Upper arm	Upper arm	Knee	Knee	Throat	Ribs	Upper			
Collarbone	Collarbone	Toe	Toe	Skull					
Elbow	Elbow	Thigh	Thigh	Dental					
Hand/Finger	Hand/Finger	Foot	Foot						
Forearm/Wrist	Forearm/Wrist								

Other: _____

NATURE OF CONDITION

Concussion Laceration Fracture
Sprain Strain Contusion
Dislocation Separation Internal Organ Injury

ON-SITE CARE

On-Site Care Only Refused Care

Sent to Hospital by: Ambulance Car

INJURY CONDITIONS

Name of arena/location: _____

- ☐ Exhibition/Regular Season ☐ Period #2
☐ Playoffs/Tournament ☐ Period #3
☐ Practice ☐ Overtime: _____
☐ Try-outs ☐ Dry Land Training
☐ Other ☐ Gradual Onset
☐ Warm-up ☐ Other Sport
☐ Period #1 ☐ Other: _____

CAUSE OF INJURY

Hit by Puck
Collision with Boards
Non-Contact Injury
Hit by Stick
Collision on Open Ice
Collision with Opponent
Fall on Ice
Checked from Behind
Collision with Net
Fight
Blindsiding

Was the injured player in the correct league and level for their age group?
☐ Yes ☐ No

Was this a sanctioned Hockey Canada activity?
☐ Yes ☐ No

LOCATION

- ☐ Defensive Zone ☐ Offensive Zone ☐ Neutral Zone
☐ Behind the Net ☐ 3 ft. from Boards ☐ Spectator Area
☐ Parking Lot ☐ Dressing Room ☐ Bench
☐ Other: _____

WEARING WHEN INJURED

- ☐ Full Face Mask
☐ Helmet/No Face Shield
☐ No Helmet/No Face Shield
☐ Intra-Oral Mouth Guard
☐ Half Face Shield/Visor
☐ Throat Protector
☐ Short Gloves
☐ Long Gloves

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Has the player sustained this injury before? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes" how long ago? _____

Was a penalty called as a result of the incident? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Estimated absence from hockey?

☐ 1 week ☐ 1-3 weeks ☐ 3+ weeks

DESCRIBE HOW INCIDENT HAPPENED

(Attached additional page if necessary)

I hereby authorize any Health Care Facility, Physician, Dentist or other person who has attended or examined me/my child, to furnish Hockey Canada any and all information with respect to any illness or injury, medical history, consultation, prescriptions or treatment and copies of all dental, hospital, and medical records. A photo static/electronic copy of this authorization shall be considered as effective and valid as the original.

Signed: _____

(Parent/Guardian if under 18 years of age)

Date: _____

TEAM INFORMATION

(To be completed by a Team Official)

Association: _____

Team Name: _____

Team Official (Print): _____

Team Official Position: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION

THIS MUST BE FILLED OUT IN FULL OR FORM PROCESSING WILL BE DELAYED

Occupation: ☐ Employed Full-time ☐ Employed Part-time
☐ Unemployed ☐ Full-Time Student

Employer (If minor, list parent's employer): _____

1. Do you have provincial health coverage? ☐ Yes ☐ No Province: _____

2. Do you have other insurance? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(If "YES", PLEASE SUBMIT CLAIM TO YOUR PRIMARY HEALTH INSURER.)

3. Has a claim been submitted? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(If "YES", PLEASE FORWARD PRIMARY INSURER EXPLANATIONS OF BENEFITS.)

Make Claim Payable To: Injured Person Parent Team Other: _____

MEMBER APPROVAL



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Participant's name: _____

PHYSICIAN'S STATEMENT

Physician: _____ Address: _____ Tel: (____) _____

Name of Hospital / Clinic: _____ Address: _____

Nature of Injury: _____

Date of First Attendance: _____

Claimant will be totally disabled:

From: _____ To: _____

Is the injury permanent and irrecoverable? ☐ No ☐ Yes

Give the details of injury (degree): _____

Prognosis for recovery: _____

Did any disease or previous injury contribute to the current injury?

No Yes (describe): _____

Was the claimant hospitalized? No Yes

(give hospital name, address and date admitted): _____

Names and addresses of other physicians or surgeons, if any, who attended claimant: _____

I certify that the above information is correct and to the best of my knowledge,

Signed: _____ Date: _____

DENTIST STATEMENT

Limits of coverage: \$1,250 per tooth, \$3,000 per accident. Treatment must be completed within 52 weeks of accident. (Effective September 1st, 2018)

UNIQUE NO. SPEC. PATIENT'S OFFICIAL ACCOUNT NO.

Patient

Last name Given name

Address

City / Town Province Postal Code

Dentist

Phone No

I hereby assign my benefits payable from this claim directly to the named dentist and authorize payment directly to him / her

SIGNATURE OF SUBSCRIBER

For dentist use only – for additional information, diagnosis, procedures or special consideration.

DUPLICATE FORM ☐

I understand that the fees listed in this claim may not be covered by or may exceed my plan benefits. I understand that I am financially responsible to my dentist for the entire treatment. I acknowledge that the total fee of \$_____ is accurate and has been charged to me for the services rendered.

I authorize release of the information contained in this claim form to my insuring company/plan administrator.

SIGNATURE OF (PATIENT/GUARDIAN)

OFFICE VERIFICATION

DATE OF SERVICE MO. / DAY / YR.	PROCEDURE	INITIAL TOOTH CODE	TOOTH SURFACE	DENTIST'S FEE	LAB CHARGE	TOTAL CHARGE

This is an accurate statement of services performed and the total fee due and payable & oe.
NOTE: All benefits subject to insurer payor status, provisions of the policy, Hockey Canada sanctioned events.

TOTAL FEE SUBMITTED

Mail completed form to:

HOCKEY MANITOBA
508 - 145 PACIFIC AVENUE
WINNIPEG, MB
R3B 2Z6

TEL: 204-925-5758
FAX: 204-925-5761
HOCKEYMANITOBA.CA



Appendix F

Special Event Request

Requesting Association _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ Postal Code _____

Contact Person _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Name of Event _____

Type of Function _____

Event Date/Date Range _____ Time _____

Location _____

Description _____

Applicant's Signature

Date Submitted

Applications should be submitted at least one week prior to the event. All applications should be sent to afergusson@hockeymanitoba.ca



Appendix G - SOCIAL MEDIA AND NETWORKING POLICY

1. INTRODUCTION

For the purpose of this Social Media and Networking Policy, the policy will encompass public communications through such Internet mediums and websites as Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, WhatsApp, TikTok and any other social media network that allows users to communicate online.

The policy will be applicable to all members of the Hockey Manitoba Community, including Directors, Teams, Hockey Manitoba members and staff, coaches, administrators, on-ice and off-ice officials, billets, players, players' family members and supporters.

Hockey Manitoba recognizes and appreciates the value of social media and the importance of social networking to all its stakeholders. Hockey Manitoba also respects the right of all Teams and Association personnel to express their views publicly. At the same time, we must be aware of the dangers social media and networking can present.

The purpose of this policy is to educate the Hockey Manitoba Community on the risks of social media and to ensure all Teams and Association personnel are aware that conduct deemed to be inappropriate may be subject to disciplinary action by the Team, the Minor Hockey Association, Region, League and/or Hockey Manitoba.

2. SOCIAL MEDIA GUIDELINES

- a) Hockey Manitoba holds the entire Hockey Manitoba Community who participates in social media and networking to the same standards as it does for all other forms of media including radio, television, and print.
- b) Comments or remarks of an inappropriate nature which are detrimental or offensive to a Team, the Association or an individual will not be tolerated and will be subject to disciplinary action.
- c) It should be recognized that social media comments are on the record and instantly published and available to the public and media. Everyone including Minor Hockey Associations and/or Team personnel, players, corporate partners, and the media can review social media communications. You should always conduct yourself in an appropriate and professional manner.
- d) Refrain from divulging confidential information of a personal or team related nature. Avoid revealing business or game strategy that could provide another team or individual a competitive advantage. Furthermore, do not discuss injury information about any player. Only divulge information that is considered public.
- e) Use your best judgment at all times – pause before posting. Ultimately, you are solely responsible for your comments, and they are published for the public record.

- f) If requested to participate in an online network, as a direct result of your affiliation with or participation in Hockey Manitoba, Hockey Manitoba recommends that you request approval from the Team or the Minor Hockey Association, Region or League.
- g) Players or hockey operations staff are not permitted to participate in social media or networking two (2) hours prior to the start of a Hockey Manitoba game and at least one (1) hour following the completion of a Hockey Manitoba game.

3. SOCIAL MEDIA VIOLATIONS

The following are examples of conduct through social media and networking mediums that are considered violations of the Hockey Manitoba Social Media and Networking Policy and may be subject to disciplinary action by the Team, Minor Hockey Association, Region, League and/or Hockey Manitoba.

- a) Any statement deemed to be publicly critical of Association officials or detrimental to the welfare of a member Team, the Association, or an individual.
- b) Divulging confidential information that may include, but is not limited to the following:
 - I. player injuries,
 - II. trades or other player movement,
 - III. game strategies; or
 - IV. any other matter of a sensitive nature to a member Team, the Association, or an individual.
- c) Negative or derogatory comments about any of the Team, Minor Hockey Association, Region, League and/or Hockey Manitoba staff, programs, stakeholders, players, or any member of a Hockey Manitoba Team.
- d) Any form of bullying, harassment or threats against players or officials.
- e) Photographs, video, or comments promoting negative influences or criminal behavior, including but not limited to:
 - I. drug use,
 - II. alcohol abuse,
 - III. public intoxication,
 - IV. hazing,
 - V. sexual exploitation, etc.
- f) Online activity that contradicts the current policies of Hockey Manitoba or any of its member Associations.
- g) Inappropriate, derogatory, racist, or sexist comments of any kind, in keeping with the Hockey Manitoba policies and regulations on these matters.

- h) Online activity that is meant to alarm other individuals or to misrepresent fact or truth.

4. DISCIPLINE

The Team, Minor Hockey Association, Region, League and/or Hockey Manitoba will investigate reported violation(s) of this policy in the manner set out in the Hockey Manitoba Handbook for other types of violations. If the investigation determines that a violation has occurred, the Team, Minor Hockey Association, Region, League and/or Hockey Manitoba will impose an appropriate suspension. Any appeal of the suspension will be dealt with as set out in a Minor Hockey Association, Region, League and/or Hockey Manitoba Handbook for other types of suspensions.

5. SUMMARY

When using social media and networking mediums, the Hockey Manitoba community should always assume they are representing Hockey Manitoba and/or its member Associations or Teams. All members of the Hockey Manitoba community should remember to use the same discretion with social media and networking as they do with other traditional forms of media. Should the identity or image of any member of the Hockey Manitoba Community be used in Social Media and Networking without the Individual, Team or Association, Region or Leagues authorization, this is considered to be identity theft. Please notify your Hockey Manitoba Team Management or the Hockey Manitoba Office immediately. Any use of a player or team member's image or likeness without the written consent of Hockey Manitoba is prohibited.