



## **NVMHA AFFILIATE AND CASUAL PLAYER PROCEDURE For REP TEAMS**

Refer to PCAHA Rules & Regulations Section C items 9 through 35. All casual and affiliate players (A/P) need to be consulted for permission prior to being rostered.

### **Important dates:**

- Last date to register an Atom A casual player is January 10
- Last date to add or change Peewee – Juvenile Affiliate Players is January 15
- Last Day to add or remove a regular player from an A roster is January 10

### **Affiliation General Criteria**

- Teams are expected to affiliate the majority of players from within the pool of players who are rostered on rep teams or participated in rep tryouts.
- Please review the policy (below) for players who self-release from rep tryouts to determine eligibility.
- Coaches/Managers are expected to obtain permission from a player's head coach and parents before affiliation.
- In times of conflicts, affiliated players are expected to be responsible to their own team first and the higher level team second, unless approved by both teams coaches.

**Atom A Casual Players** – applies to Atom A teams only – PCAHA rule book Section C item 22 – 24  
Atom A teams may draw up to 8 casual players from a lower level Atom C or lower flight Atom A team (H4 players are not eligible). Atom A casual players must be rostered on the team prior to playing in a game. Please email the registrar and your division director with requests to roster casual players once permissions are obtained. The casual player may not play more than five league or playoff games as a casual player. If more than five games are played the player will become an official member of that team. Exception is goaltenders where the goaltender must actually play in five games. The deadline to roster casual players is January 10.

**Peewee to Midget A Team Affiliate Players (A/P)** – PCAHA rule book Section C item 28 – 32  
Rep teams at Peewee and above may affiliate up to 19 players, of which at least two must be goalies, for temporary inclusion on the playing roster. Affiliate players must come from a lower division or category within NVMHA. Affiliate player request should be made in bulk to the Registrar [registrar@nvmha.com](mailto:registrar@nvmha.com) before January 15.

### **Process**

Head Coach or Manager must notify the players' coach/manager and the player's parents to request permission to affiliate to the higher division team. **A/P's are responsible to their own team first and cannot be called up to play when there is a schedule conflict between the teams without the explicit permission from the A/P's coach first.**

Once permission from the player's coach and parents are obtained, **send an affiliate player requests to the registrar - [registrar@nvmha.com](mailto:registrar@nvmha.com) and division director.**

## **Limitations**

Affiliate players are permitted a maximum of 10 league or playoff games with the higher-level team. Exception to this rule is if the affiliate player's regular season team completes its regular season and playoffs before the affiliate team then the affiliate player may thereafter affiliate an unlimited number of times.

A/P's & casual players need to be registered onto a team's Hockey Canada Roster (HCR) as affiliate players by the deadlines noted above to be eligible to play. Generally, Teamlink tracks the number of games that an affiliate plays, however we suggest the team also track this in case of error.

## **NVMHA affiliation policy for PLAYERS who Self-Release from rep tryouts**

Decisions are made as to the numbers, sizes and composition of REP teams (and also of C teams) based on the number of players who have registered. Players who participate in REP tryouts, then leave the REP program, can cause significant difficulties to both the REP and C programs. As a result, the following restrictions have been imposed to minimize these situations:

### **Non-Declaration REP try out**

- Any player who self-releases to the C-program and leaves the NVMHA REP Try outs after commencement of Phase 2 will not be entitled to AP, practice or be called up to any REP team equal or higher to the one they were assigned to for that phase. They will still be able to AP and/or practice with any team below the group they self-released from.
- Similarly, any player who self-releases to the C program more than seven days after selection to a REP team is not permitted to AP or practice with any other REP team in any division for the remainder of the season. The player will be assigned to a C team in accordance to the C balancing guidelines and will not have ability to request what teams they are placed on.
- During phase two of rep tryouts, any player who self-releases from a rep WG to a lower WG and completes the rep try out process will be eligible to AP a rep team.

### **A1-Declaration REP try out**

- Players who wish to only play at the A1 level and are released at any phase may self-release and go directly to the C program.
- The player who self-releases to C hockey in their own division only may not affiliate or practice with any A1 team in any division for remainder of the season.
- Players who self-release to C hockey will be permitted to affiliate or practice with an A2-A4 REP team for the current season.
- Decisions to self-release to C hockey must be made prior to September 30th.
- Try out fees are non-refundable once REP try outs have commenced

## **Atom to Midget C Hockey Affiliate Players – PCAHA Rule Book Section C item 35**

C teams do not roster affiliate players. Teams may request permission to add players to their roster on a game by game basis. C teams may draw affiliate players from C teams in lower divisions within the same association subject to:

- The team must have 12 or fewer skaters for a game or has no goaltender available for a game.
- Teams may only apply for permission to affiliate a player to bring their roster size up to 13 players and one goalie.

- **C teams must obtain permission to use a player outside of their team from the PCAHA league manager prior to the game.**
- Hockey 4 players may only be drawn as an affiliate to an Atom C team and are restricted to three league, playoff or tournament games