



Memorandum: 2017-10

Date: August 15, 2017

To: Registered Pee Wee Aged Players in the AMHA

From: AMHA Board of Directors

CC: Jamie Young, Director, Pee Wee, Janine Rizzo, President, Rhonda Bencze

Re: AMHA Pee Wee Division Pre-Season Registration Update

Dear AMHA Pee Wee Registered Families,

On August 1st of each season the AMHA completes an audit of each division's registration within the Association. At this time we wanted to reach out to all registered Pee Wee Players and ensure you were all made aware of the goaltender situation in Pee Wee Hockey (both Rep and Rec).

Currently we have ten (10) goaltenders registered in the entire Pee Wee Division (Rep and Rec combined). At this time the AMHA has enough skaters registered to field nine (9) teams.

What this means is that the AMHA may only have one (1) team with a second goaltender in the entire Pee Wee Division. This also means there may only be four (4) or five (5) goaltenders in Rep and likely only one (1) goaltender per team in Recreational hockey.

The exact number of teams and the number of goaltenders on each team is dependent upon a couple of factors:

- 1) **Registration.** If we have any late registrations, or any players cancel their registration and not play hockey. We also have a handful of players who have not fulfilled their registration fee obligations to date and if they do not pay, that decreases our numbers.
- 2) **Pee Wee A4.** As per our new Policies, Rep Tryouts will determine whether an A4 team will be fielded by the AMHA for the upcoming season.

The AMHA will determine the number of teams and number of goalies on each team at a later date when the factors noted above are flushed out a little further. At other divisions within the AMHA we have or did have waitlists for the goaltender position, however unfortunately Pee Wee goalie registration is an issue.

Throughout the summer the AMHA Board of Directors and Staff have tried to address this issue to get more goaltenders in our Pee Wee Division. We have had an active recruitment campaign, worked with neighboring associations, and discussed creative alternative options with PCAHA our governing body. We will continue to work at adding goaltenders in this division as the season nears and appreciate your patience while we continue to address this situation.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact Jamie Young our Pee Wee Director, Janine Rizzo our President, or myself.

Regards,
Kolin Kriitmaa, Executive Director
On behalf of AMHA Board of Directors