

## Updates on Tournaments:

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### **E,II,A Number Of Tournaments.**

Attendance at an excessive number of tournaments during a season has a number of negative affects including, but not limited to: negatively altering the competition to practice ratio as recommended in the LTAD Framework, causing leagues and teams problems relating to rescheduling ice times, putting increased financial and time strains on parents, reducing time for athletes to engage in alternate activities and potentially limiting access to tournaments by other teams. As such:

- i. each team may attend a MAXIMUM of:
  - TWO tournaments a season (Silver Ring plus one more) in U10 Step-1. No travel to tournaments outside the greater Edmonton area (St. Albert, Spruce Grove, Ft. Saskatchewan, Sherwood Park, Beaumont, Leduc.) is permitted.
  - TWO tournaments a season (Silver Ring plus one more) in U10 Step-2
  - and U10-Step 3.
  - THREE tournaments a season (Silver Ring plus two more) in U12
  - FOUR tournaments a season (Silver Ring plus three more) in U14
  - NO LIMITATION for U16 and up,
- ii. Plus ONE of the following non-competitive exhibition or event style tournaments: St. Albert Turkey Ring, Ringette Scores on Cancer and Stadnyk Frozen Ring.
- iii. Conditions which may prevent compliance with the above must be brought to the attention of the Executive by the coach or team manager.
- iv. Failure to adhere to this policy may result in disciplinary action which may include removal of practice ice or suspension of coach(es).

### **B. Application for Tournaments.**

For divisions with more than one team (U10,U12,U14B etc), Division Directors should arrange with the coaches which tournaments will be applied to, to prevent competition between Edmonton teams. In instances where both wish to attend, a common application by the Director should be made and a coin toss will determine who will attend, should the application be successful.

### **C. Games outside of Alberta – Travel Permits**

For games played outside Alberta, team staff must notify the division director and Ringette Alberta at least two (2) weeks prior to the tournament/exhibition game and proper travel permits must be obtained. Travel Permits ensure appropriate Ringette Alberta insurance is in effect. In absence of the division director, the travel permit can be signed by any member of the executive.