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TO: BC Hockey Membership

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SUBJECT: UPDATED - On Ice Helpers

The following guidelines are in place for on ice helpers; the attached chart is provided to assist in ensuring all on ice helpers are compliant with policies and expectations of the insurance program:

- Any on ice helpers must be a current registered member of BC Hockey / Hockey Canada. If the
 individual is not currently registered through a BC Hockey Member or as an Associate Member,
 the Hockey Canada Registry (HCR) needs to be updated to include this person on the roster as
 a "volunteer" with the team(s).
- 2. Any helper, 16 years and older must take Respect in Sport. Additionally, the helper must be under the direct supervision of the certified team officials. Concussion Awareness Training Tool is not mandatory for on ice helpers.
- 3. Non-members offering coaching or other on ice help for a fee are not volunteers, and therefore, must become a BC Hockey Associate Member prior to participation. Any person working in this capacity should not be rostered with a Minor Hockey Association (MHA).
- 4. MHAs are not to create "Volunteer" teams within the HCR for volunteers or executive members who do not participate in on ice activities with the registered participants.
- 5. Application form for Criminal Record Check can be obtained at the following link http://www.bchockey.net/Content.aspx?id=301







On Ice Helper - Required Certifications and Equipment			
Age of Helper	Registration	Equipment	Certification
14 years and below	 Must be a registered member of BC Hockey or Hockey Canada If not registered they must be added as a "volunteer" on the roster 	 Full equipment Bantam aged goalies may wear full player equipment instead of goalie equipment on the ice. 	• N/A
15 years old	Must be registered member of BC Hockey or Hockey Canada If not registered they must be added as a "volunteer" on the roster	CSA certified helmet, chin strap fastened, full face mask, certified neck guard, gloves Full tracksuit or pants and sweater are recommended to be worn on the ice	• N/A
16 years old	Must be registered member of BC Hockey or Hockey Canada If not registered they must be added as a "volunteer" on the roster	CSA certified helmet, chin strap fastened, full face mask, certified neck guard, gloves Full tracksuit or pants and sweater are recommended to be worn on the ice.	Respect in Sport
17 years old	Must be registered member of BC Hockey or Hockey Canada If not registered they must be added as a "volunteer" on the roster	CSA certified helmet, chin strap fastened, full face mask, certified neck guard, gloves Full tracksuit or pants and sweater are recommended to be worn on the ice	 Respect in Sport All volunteers that are 17 years old turning 18 years old in the calendar year require a Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Person Check
Adult (18 and older)	Must be registered member of BC Hockey or Hockey Canada If not registered they must be added as a "volunteer" on the roster	 CSA certified helmet, chin strap fastened, gloves Full tracksuit or pants and sweater are recommended to be worn on the ice 	Respect in Sport Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Person Check
Non-members (offering coaching or on ice help for a fee)	Must become an Associate Member Not to be rostered with a Minor Hockey Association	Must follow above outlines for ages for required equipment on ice	Requirements on Associate Member application

If you have any questions please contact your local association, Risk Manager or the BC Hockey office 250-652-2978 or info@bchockey.net



