

2018-2019 AP Process for Recreation

Affiliate players (AP), excluding goaltenders, for recreational teams are **ONLY** to be used as a **last resort** for **OUT OF TOWN** Tournaments or if a team is missing a number of players for games within the KMHA Recreation league (less than 12 skaters). Affiliate players for recreational teams must be from the division below. No individual team will be allowed to monopolize the top players from the division below them. The idea of an AP is to fill a shortage of players on your team; not to improve the skill of the team.

A team can have a maximum of 3 players AP'd to their roster. If a team already has 2 goalies on their roster; a request for another goalie will not be accepted unless extenuating circumstances arise. Priority for an AP is a sibling of a current player already on the team's roster. No Affiliations are allowed in Atom hockey.

Teams are NOT allowed to use affiliate players or have them attend any of their team practices unless permission has been obtained from the KMHA Director of Hockey operations or KMHA Manager of Operations. The deadline for adding players to your list is January 15th.

At the bottom of the document is Hockey Canada's rules for AP's. No AP can be used for more than 10 games per season. This number doesn't include tournament games or exhibition games. AP's cannot be added to a roster until they have been added to their primary team roster, therefore AP's cannot be added prior to Oct 30th.

This is the process you **MUST** follow to AP a player in KMHA and to use an AP.

- The requesting coach must approach the coach of the lower recreation division team asking permission to AP the player.
- The Recreation coach will approach the parent of the player to see if there's any interest.
- The Recreation coach will then contact the requesting coach to confirm or deny the request.
- If accepted, the requesting coach needs approval from The Director of Hockey Operations. This is done by the requesting coach emailing the name of the player to the KMHA Director of Hockey Operations (Sandy Bullock) directorofhockeyoperations@gmail.com. Copy Sean Pitts, KMHA Manger of Operations KMHAoperations@gmail.com and Theresa Viventi tviventi.kmha@gmail.com on the request.
- **Only the Head Coach of the team can request a player. No requests will be accepted by an Assistant Coach or the team's Manager.**
- **In order to add an AP for a weekend, the request needs to be done prior to Thursday.**
- This player can not be on the ice or be part of a game until an email confirmation has come from Sandy. The KMHA office will send an updated Hockey Canada Roster with the player added as an AP.
- The use of an AP for either a practice or a game must be approved by Sandy Bullock. If Sandy is unavailable, Sean Pitts can approve the use of the AP as well.
- A player can only be AP'd to 1 team. If a player has already be AP'd to another team, you'll need to find another player.

KMHA wants every player the opportunity to play at the highest level possible. It is expected that when you are asked for an AP, that you will support the player's opportunity to move up and play, by granting permission for that player to get to play at the higher level. Thus, when you request to use an AP, the same courtesy should be expected in return.

There needs to be some consideration by the requesting coach and the AP's team. If the AP player's team is leaving town for a tournament or if they're involved in a 'playoff' run in their Recreation division; the requesting coach need to ensure the needs of the player and the other team. If the AP is only going to be used in a 'limited' capacity; the requesting coach **should** request the use of another AP. **Remember the same situation can be reversed.**

Hockey Canada Rules for Affiliate Players

NUMBER OF GAMES A PLAYER MAY PLAY IN HIGHER DIVISIONS OR CATEGORIES

35.a) A Player of a Team of a lower Division or Category of the same Club, or of an Affiliated Team, or a specially Affiliated Player, may Affiliate to a Team or Teams of higher Divisions and categories at any time, to a maximum of ten (10) games.

For Goaltender exceptions see below.

b) Exhibition and/or Tournament games, which are not part of regular League games or play-off games, are excluded from the number of games referred to in Regulation E.35 (a).

36b) GOALIES

Appearance of a registered Player's name on the official game report of a game shall be considered participation in the game except in the case of an alternate Goalkeeper, in which case actual participation only shall be considered as taking part in the game, and such participation shall be specially noted on the official game report.

Sandy Bullock
KMHA Director of Hockey Operations

Sean Pitts
KMHA Manager of Operations