

## QDMHA Player-Coach Mentor Policy

QDMHA supports the development of all players and encourages older players to mentor the younger players within our Association.

Team officials must use sound judgment when selecting on ice player mentors. There must be a clear understanding that player mentors are to provide assistance and support to team officials and players. It is not an opportunity for older players to get extra ice time.

Prior to selection of an on ice player mentor, the following criteria must be met.

1. Signed permission of the player mentor's Rostered Head Coach (HCR).
2. Signed permission of the player mentor's parent or guardian.
3. The player mentor must be playing at least one division higher than the division they are mentoring.

BC Hockey also encourages and supports on ice player mentors. The following are BC Hockey guidelines (specific to QDMHA's player mentor policy) to ensure requirements for insurance coverage are in place.

1. Must be a registered player with BC Hockey / Hockey Canada through a minor association or junior team.
2. Must wear a CSA certified helmet with chin strap fastened and appropriate face protection required for the player's level of play. A BNQ certified neck guard must also be worn by all minor hockey aged players.
3. Bantam aged and below on ice player mentors must wear full gear.

QDMHA will support on ice player mentors, over the age of 16, interested in obtaining a coaching certification.

Name of Player Mentor \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Mentor's Head Coach

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Parent or Guardian