

## MRA Ice policy

We would like to take this opportunity to remind all coaches and bench staff that the **City of Mississauga does not allow teams/clubs to share, trade or sublet ice without written permission from the City of Mississauga**. This is stipulated on the rental agreement. As a result, MRA is only allowed to use the ice which is on our own contract. We cannot share or sublet our ice with any other organization, nor we can share or sublet the ice of another organization. This is for insurance purposes as only the user group named on the contract is insured, and we cannot risk injury to athletes or bench staff that would not be covered.

In addition, Mississauga Ringette applied for, and has been enjoying the benefits of affiliated group status with the City for the past several years. This affiliated group status is **very beneficial** for the MRA because it allows us: advanced access to ice contracts so that we can get our contract before the ice is released for general use, favorable ice rates, reduction in the cost of room rentals etc. This agreement gives us the benefit of prime-time ice rentals and saves the MRA about \$100 per hour for our ice purchases. As a result, we cannot risk anything that may jeopardize this agreement.

We understand the frustration as many hockey teams/clubs still try to sublet their ice, however, this is against the City policy. The City will transfer the ice from one club/team to another at the <u>same price that the original team/club paid</u> on their contract, which is likely significantly higher our current ice rate. The City will not transfer the ice at a price less than the original purchase price.

In order to ensure insurance coverage for the players and bench staff and to protect the MRA's affiliated group status, **teams, coaches and players are prohibited from sharing, trading or subletting ice with any non-MRA team at any City of Mississauga facility.** If you wish to have ice transferred to the MRA at the original cost for your use, please contact <u>executive@mississaugaringette.com</u> so we can make the appropriate arrangements with the City.

Any teams, coaches and/or players who agree to share, trade or sublet ice with non-MRA teams without the express written permission of the City of Mississauga may be subject to disciplinary action