

How to determine if your child plays minor hockey for St. John's Minor Hockey:

Step 1 - Residency

To play minor hockey with St. John's Minor Hockey Association you have to be a resident of the City of St. John's, excluding neighborhoods referred to as Southlands and Southbrook,¹ and the former community of Goulds. The child must change minor hockey associations at the start of the season following a change in residence to another community on the Northeast Avalon.

Step 2 - School

If your family meets the residency requirement as set out above in Step 1, then your child must meet the school requirement, for the school that they are attending.² Children meeting the residency requirement **that attend the following schools must register with Avalon Minor Hockey Association.** All other children must register with St. John's Minor Hockey Association.

Bishop Abraham	McPherson Elementary	St. Andrews
Bishop Field	MacDonald Drive Elementary	St. Bon's
Brother Rice	MacDonald Drive Junior High	St. Mary's
Cowan Heights Elementary	Prince of Wales Collegiate	Vanier Elementary
Holy Cross Elementary	Rennies River	East Point Elementary

In 1997 when the denominational school system was abandoned, it was recognized that children could move between schools that were assigned to the Avalon and St. John's minor hockey associations. In these situations, to avoid having to move between minor hockey associations as a child advances through the school system, it was agreed as long as the child's family maintained the residency requirement, they would **remain with the minor hockey association they started with in Novice (now Under 7 and Under 9) and Atom (now Under 11) hockey**.

Proof of Residency

If your residency is challenged by another minor hockey association, Hockey NL has established the procedures around proving residency for the purpose of assigning children to minor hockey associations. Regulation Two, Paragraph 204 of the former Hockey NL constitution stated:³

In Minor or Female Hockey proof of residency will require, but not limited to, the following documentation:

- (*i*) a valid driver's license;
- *(ii) copies of two current utility bills; and*
- (iii) an affidavit from the parent(s) or court appointed guardian(s).

If you have any questions contact the minor hockey office at 579-9091.

¹ The exception being those players living in Southlands and Southbrook registered with SJMHA prior to the 2010-2011 season, and their siblings.

² The school the child is attending is the school that determines the appropriate minor hockey association. It is *not* the school that they are zoned to attend.

³ This regulation will be re-established in Hockey NL's operating policies going forward.