



# CENTRAL ALBERTA HOCKEY LEAGUE

## Executive Memorandum

February 15, 2019

**To: ALL CAHL Directors and their Novice Half Ice Teams**

**Re: 2018– 2019 Novice update # 5**

This letter is to further update you on the transition for the older players in Novice half – Ice.

As discussed previously by the Novice Steering Committee, previous letters and at our Directors meetings, please be advised this is the last portion of the season and has been identified as potentially allowing for some transition into Atom Hockey.

**NOTE:** This recommendation will not apply if both teams do not agree, if your Minor Hockey Association does not support this or if your facility is hosting 2 games at the same time. If there is no agreement then teams will continue to play as they have for the first part of the season.

Starting February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 until the end of the season, game formats for those moving to Atom next season or mixed age teams can be modified to  $\frac{3}{4}$  or full ice with the following allowances:

- The game ice duration will not change; it will remain as it is currently scheduled. Period lengths, shift changes and equipment will remain the same, running time will continue
- Both Teams must agree to the changes, if there is no agreement then no changes are made from what is happening right now
- Rosters will still be submitted and entered
- No scoring will be recorded or displayed
- Face-offs, Off-Sides and Icing need to be minimized due to the ice time that is available
- Last weekend for games in the CAHL will be March 16 and 17, 2019. There will be no playoffs for this group as mandated by hockey Alberta.

Hockey Alberta has also advised me that they will have a formal statement on the direction of Novice next season around the end of February and we will share that when we get to it as well.

Thank you for your support and patience while we work through this transition. As always please feel free to contact me if you have any questions, concerns or comments.

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