

EDMONTON RINGETTE CLUB TOURNAMENT NUMBER POLICY

Attendance at an excessive number of tournaments during a season has a number of negative affects including, but not limited to: negatively altering the competition to practice ratio as recommended in the LTAD Framework, causing leagues and teams problems relating to rescheduling ice times, putting increased financial and time strains on parents, reducing time for athletes to engage in alternate activities and potentially limiting access to tournaments by other teams. As such:

i. each team may attend a MAXIMUM of:

- SIX tournaments a season (ERC Wood Tournament plus 5 more) in U14. Only one of these tournaments may be out of province. The ERC strongly discourages tournaments that require flight for U14AA, except in the case of Westerns.
- NO LIMITATION for U16 and up,

ii. Tournament in (i) above does not include:

- the following non-competitive exhibitions or event style tournaments: Gayle Shaw Fun Day or Ringette Scores on Cancer;
- Tournaments which fall outside the Black Gold League regular and post season;
- Provincials, Western Canadian Ringette Championships and Canadian Ringette Championships;
- Friendship Tournaments within Alberta;

iii. Conditions which may prevent compliance with the above must be brought to the attention of the Board Executive by the head coach or team manager.

iv. Failure to adhere to this policy may result in disciplinary action which may include removal of practice ice or suspension of coach(es).

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