


# Red Deer Pond Hockey

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The logo for Red Deer Pond Hockey is a black shield-shaped emblem. At the top, there are three white stars. Below the stars, the words "RED DEER" are written in a bold, white, sans-serif font. Underneath that, "POND HOCKEY" is written in a similar font. At the bottom of the shield, there is a white graphic of two crossed hockey sticks.

## 1.0 PURPOSE

To inform the members, at the time of registration, that Red Deer Pond Hockey will not allow players to play in RDPH and other organized ice hockey and/or ringette leagues.

## 2.0 COMMENCEMENT DATE

This Policy will commence from Aug 01, 2019. It replaces previous Policy pertaining the ability to play in multiple divisions whether written or not.

## 3.0 APPLICATION OF POLICY

3.1 This policy applies to the following RDPH groups

- Players

## 4.0 RATIONALE


4.1 **Safety** - The players in other leagues may require a higher level of competition, and intentional body contact may be allowed or encouraged.

4.2 **Commitment Level and Regular Attendance** - When competitive league schedules conflict with RDPH games, players in competitive leagues generally give preference to their other teams' schedule, and so are not in regular attendance at RDPH games or practices. This leads to both uneven-sized teams, and makes it very difficult for coaches to develop the players due to frequent absences.

4.3 **Complications in Team Building** - As the teams are built using the information gathered from parents at registration, and past coaches, players from competitive leagues are typically playing at an advanced level. These advanced players are placed on weaker teams in order to increase the combined skill of the team. When these players are not regularly attending the RDPH games, they upset the dynamics of the team.

## 5.0 INVESTIGATION PROCESS

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5.1 After the closing of registration, the names of the players/parents are forwarded off to our sanctioning body Hockey Alberta. Hockey Alberta will then notify RDPH if any players that have outstanding dues in other leagues sanctioned by Hockey Canada.

5.2 As Hockey Alberta sanctions Minor hockey, they will indicate if players are registered in both divisions at the same time in the same season.

5.3 RDPH will also work with local competitive ringette leagues to verify that there is no player crossover.

## 6.0 DISCIPLINE STATEMENT

6.1 Any players determined to be registered both in RDPH and other competitive hockey/ringette leagues, will be expelled for the remainder of the season. The player will be unable to register again until the registration window of the next season.

6.2 The player will not receive any refunds associated with the expulsion at any time as the policy is reiterated at the time of registration.

## 7.0 REVIEW AND REVISION HISTORY

Revision	Scope of Revision	Approved By	Date
0	Initial Procedure Development	RDPH BOD	July 01, 2019