



Player Movement Policy

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Purpose of the Policy: To implement a player movement process for players between divisions within KMH. This policy applies to players requesting to move to **Atom level or higher***

Policy Statement:

Any player, wishing to move up a division (to Atom or higher*), must be made aware that if they do not meet the following criteria after evaluations, they will be placed on the lower team in the division they are trying out for and, at the discretion of the board, may not be able to move back to the originating division.

Criteria:

- A) The Player must be within the top two players for the defence positions OR
- B) The Player must be within the top three player for the forward positions.
- C) Notwithstanding the above, if moving a player up affects that team's categorization for Provincials, movement will be fully at the discretion of the Board.
- D) Players may also be asked to move up a division by the KMH board in order to make a team or teams if necessary. This board decision will not require a vote from the parent group of the said division and will be made strictly in the best interest of all division levels involved with the movement.

The KMH board will take into consideration the effect on both divisions with regards to numbers, looking after all levels involved, not just the top tier(s). Additionally, if a player is struggling in the division they tried out for, their best interest will be taken into account as to which division they should play.

Example:

Johnny Smith is an Atom player wishing to try-out for the Pee wee Division. There are two Pee wee teams (tier one and tier three). Johnny will be authorized by the board to go to the Pee wee evaluation skates with the knowledge of the above criteria.

If Johnny, trying out for a forward position, does not make the top three players in the Pee wee evaluation, he will not make tier one, but the tier three team instead.

If Johnny still isn't within the top three players of that tier, he may, at the discretion of the board, be moved back down to Atom.

****The above policy applies to players requesting to move to Atom or higher. Any requested movement of players from Initiation to Novice is entirely at the discretion of the Board, who will consider factors such as player ability and maturity, numbers, etc.***