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OOAA Team Affiliate Player Eligibility Policy

Purpose

This policy establishes the criteria under which OOAA teams may utilize affiliated players, ensuring such use is limited to legitimate needs arising from player unavailability due to injury, absence, or suspension. Not for the purpose of over rostering.

Policy Statement

OOAA teams are permitted to affiliate players only when a rostered player is injured, absent, or suspended. The use of affiliated players is strictly to maintain team functionality and is not permitted for the purpose of gaining a competitive advantage.

Permitted Reasons for Affiliation

Affiliated players may be used only when one or more rostered players are:

- 1. Injured Unable to participate due to an injury.
- 2. Absent Missing for valid personal, school, sickness or family-related reasons.
- 3. Suspended Serving a disciplinary suspension and therefore ineligible to play.

Affiliation Guidelines

Affiliated players must meet all eligibility criteria as defined by OOAA, Hockey Alberta and the governing sport body (e.g., age, division, level).

Affiliated players must be approved and carded to the official Hockey Canada roster.