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TEAM TREASURER HANDBOOK

Okotoks Oilers Athletic Association (OOAA)

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Welcome

Thank you for volunteering for the role of Team Treasurer for the upcoming minor hockey season.

Each OOAA team is responsible for its own financial operations. Teams must anticipate, budget and fundraise for any team costs, and must be accountable to both the association and parents through careful and sensitive budgeting.

The purpose of this document is to guide you through the Team Financial Guidelines & Policy. All association policies and procedures are available on our webpage.

As a registered Canadian amateur athletic association, OOAA is required to meet specific accounting standards. Failure to do so jeopardizes our status with our governing bodies, and can put our Team Treasurers, signatories and membership at risk. Teams must regulate their financial activities in a way that meets the association policy, ensures the proper use of funds and reduces risk to all parties.

We appreciate your assistance in this regard.

Have a wonderful season!

Overview

Fees paid to Okotoks Oilers Athletic Association (OOAA) for registration entitles each player to participate on a hockey team. OOAA provides each team in the association with jerseys, practice ice times, and registration and participation in the applicable hockey league.

Each team will incur additional costs during the hockey season that are not part of the fees paid to OOAA, and therefore must anticipate and budget for these costs. These additional costs are the responsibility of the team and parent group. The funds to cover these costs will have to be raised through a payment from each family or by fundraising to cover these costs.

The Team Manager must appoint a Team Treasurer who is responsible for collecting, banking, and disbursement of team funds. The Team Treasurer cannot be the spouse, direct relation, or a person residing in same residence of the team's Head Coach or team's Manager.

The Team Treasurer shall account for fundraising and spending of the hockey team, and report to OOAA and to the parents of the respective hockey team. The Team Manager is required to ensure that the Team Treasurer provides to the team parents and to OOAA the financial information as outlined in this document and as required by OOAA Policies & Procedures.

At any time, the OOAA Board of Directors can request team financial statements or authorize the OOAA treasurer to intervene on behalf of the society.

Banking

OOAA has set up team bank accounts for all teams. Currently the team account is set up as a NPO account. Bank location:

ATB Financial 31 Southridge Dr, 131 Okotoks, AB T1S 2N3

Signatories

Each team requires two signatories — the Team Treasurer and a second signatory (commonly the Team Manager but can be another parent). The two signatories should

not have a personal relationship or connection outside of the team. The segregation of duties means that no single person is responsible for a transaction from start to finish.

Once your two signatories selected, you are required to email these details to admin@okotokshockey.com. We will then notify the OOAA banker at the Branch.

Payments

Cheques written from the team bank account require two signatures. When writing a cheque, please fill out the description line and, if one is available, write the invoice number on the cheque.

E transfers are available to be made from the NPO account assuming that there are two approvals required (this is set up as a requirement).

Ensure receipts are obtained or a copy provided for all transactions. In general, receipts should be numbered for easy tracking and should contain the following information:

- Date of transaction
- Service rendered/purpose of payment
- Company owing payment
- Company receiving payment
- Signature of individual accepting payment
- Amount
- Form of payment

Deposits

Deposits can be made using the ATM card, in-person through a bank teller or electronically deposited. E transfer deposits must use the OOAA email provided from the association. All funds received must be deposited as soon as practicable. Any cash deposits need to verified by an additional team personnel.

Risk Management

The OOAA Team Financial Guidelines & Policy found in the OOAA Policy Manual are intended to meet the accounting standards of our governing bodies, to reduce the risk of fraud and susceptibility to phishing scams, to ensure that all transactions cannot be redirected into an account at another bank, and to ensure that all transactions are tracible in the event of an audit. Therefore:

• Use of personal bank accounts is **NOT** permitted.

- Interac e-Transfer payments can be sent where both signors must approve the transfer prior to it being sent. There must be a control in place to ensure there are two approvals.
- Do not make cheques out to cash.
- NO cash on hand is permitted (NO PETTY CASH ON HAND)

Additional Team Bank Accounts

Should your team host a tournament, you have two options for managing tournament finances:

- Use your Team Bank Account
- Contact OOAA <u>admin@okotokshockey.com</u> to set up a separate tournament account. If you anticipate hosting a tournament and would like to set up a tournament account through OOAA banking, please contact us as soon as possible.

Returning Your Team Bank Account

Each team is required to leave a minimum balance of \$30 at the end of the year. Any remaining monies should be:

- Distributed equally to parents up to the amount of the cash calls they have respectively contributed.
- Donated to the OOAA.
- Donated to another charity organization(s).

Each parent must have the option to receive back their pro-rata share of any remaining team funds (based on cash call contributions) and/or to donate their share in the manners outlined above.

Any funds remaining in the bank account as of **June 1, 2026** will be transferred to the OOAA Financial Assistance Fund.

Bank cards and unused cheques are to be handed back to OOAA as directed.

Budgets

Each team must prepare a budget for the upcoming hockey season. An optional template is provided on the OOAA website. Examples of costs may include, but are not limited to:

- Ice time
- Referee costs
- Meals
- Trainers
- OMHA fees
- Coach Honorarium
- Hotels
- Tournament Fees
- Team Equipment
- Team apparel (including hockey socks)
- Team social events
- Bussing, driver tip
- Player Development (i.e. Dryland Training, etc.)
- Practice Jerseys
- Year End Party/Gifts
- Bank Fees

Jerseys are an asset of OOAA and it will be mandatory to have a jersey parent this year. At no time will players be allowed to transport team jerseys.

Cash Call

The intention of a cash call is to provide immediate cash flow for a team's operations and activities. The amount of a cash call should be appropriate for the budget.

Returning cash calls to parents should be a priority if any balance from fundraising is remaining in the team account at the end of the season. It is important to note that parents can only be reimbursed for the amount that they have contributed as a cash call. Any funds remaining in the bank account as of **June 1, 2026** will be transferred to the OOAA.

Cash call schedule

October 15th
AAA \$6000.00
AA \$3000.00

November 15th – as required December 15th - as required

Players will be suspended from all team activities if cash calls are not made as per the schedule.

Players that are approved for funding from Kidsport and/or Jumpstart are eligible to receive up to a maximum of \$1000.00 from the OOAA Hardship fund. These funds can be used towards their cash call. Any funds being returned to families should be first directed back to the hardship fund then any excess up to the amount contributed by the family can be paid to the family.

If a Player voluntarily quits the Team, their fees for the entire year are still payable and they are not eligible for a refund or to try out for a Team in the following season and must wait a full season before they can try out for a Team. Before returning to the ice for any tryout in their first eligible year, all unpaid amounts must be fully paid. In the year of return, all estimated Team fees must be paid in full at the start of the season and not by post-dated cheques; No Player with outstanding fees from a prior year will be permitted to try out for a Team in the current season without clearing the payable amount.

If a Player has a season ending injury, a family move, or moves to a higher tier unexpectedly then their fees should be pro-rated to the point at which the unexpected resignation from the Team took place.

Fundraising

OOAA does not restrict the type of costs that a team may incur. Parent oversight and good judgment will be the overall deciding factors when it comes to determining what spending is appropriate. These costs are to be shared equally by the parents of the hockey players and can be minimized by fundraising activity.

Fundraising activity also needs to be planned & budgeted for and can include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Silent Auction
- 2. Bottle Drives
- 3. Fundraising Sales
- 4. Raffles

The amount and type of fundraising activities is determined by the parents of each hockey team. There is not a requirement to do any fundraising, however fundraising will reduce costs to the parents to cover team expenses.

Fundraising with Raffles

If a raffle (i.e. 50/50 draw, raffle for prizes, etc.) is planned as a team fundraising activity, the team is required to operate as a properly licensed raffle as per The Alberta Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Commission (AGLC) regulations and requirements. In order to obtain a raffle license, a team must complete the form Eligibility for Raffle License which can be obtained at http://www.aglc.ca.

When filling out the application form, the team's name should be entered as the association. The address provided should be the address of the team member applying for the license, not the address of OOAA or Centennial Arena.

Approval is normally received from the AGLC in 3 to 5 business days. A team only needs to apply for eligibility one time. Once the team receives its AGLC identification number, the team can apply to obtain raffle licenses for any raffle activity planned (done online via AGLC or at any Alberta registry agent). TEAMS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO USE THE OOAA'S AGLC ID # TO OPERATE TEAM LEVEL RAFFLES.

It is important to ensure that the Team Manager and/or Treasurer are familiar with the AGLC requirements for operating a raffle, and that all licensing and record keeping and reporting requirements are met. A summary of your raffle fundraising must be sent to AGLC using a prescribed reporting form within 60 days of your raffle event. Failure to do so will jeopardize the OOAA's own status with the AGLC and may affect our ability to fundraise as an association in the future, including our own raffle license and casino fundraising.

A report of your raffle must be sent to AGLC using their online reporting form within 30 days of your raffle. *as per AGLC site

If your team plans to operate a raffle and is applying to the AGLC for eligibility – please notify OOAA by sending an email to admin@okotokshockey.com outlining your plans.

For further information: https://aglc.ca/gaming/charitablegaming

Sponsorships and Donations

A team may be offered a sponsorship or donation from an individual or company in support of the team's expenses. The sponsorship or donation may be designated for a specific expenditure or may be used at the team's discretion.

Sponsorships and donations may also take the form of a good or service (rather than money). It is recommended that all sponsorships and donations to a team be acknowledged by some form of thank you note or letter of appreciation to the donor.

Unbudgeted Expenses

Any unforeseen (unbudgeted) expenditures/payments that arise during the year should be discussed with the parents before any transaction takes place.

Reporting

Initial Budget Reporting

Team Budgets should be completed by the Team Treasurer as soon as possible. Distributed to the parents, OOAA Treasurer (kdengler@okotokshockey.com) and the OOAA Administrator (admin@okotokshockey.com) no later than October 15, 2025.

Financial Reporting to Parents

It is recommended that the Team Treasurer provide regular updates to the team with respect to the financial position of the team in order to prevent "surprises" and/or misunderstandings. A simple financial update could include a summary of money spent and on what, and how much more would be required to pay for budgeted expenditures as outlined in the initial budget.

A final Budget vs. Actuals Report must be prepared and provided to parents and OOAA. This can be included in the optional template is provided on the OOAA website. The report should account all money raised through fundraising, parent contributions, sponsorships, donations, etc., and all money spent compared to the approved budget. This must be done by the end of the month following the end of the team's hockey season (end of season is defined as final game played).

Financial Reporting to OOAA

At a minimum, OOAA requires the following financial reporting:

- 1) Initial Budget Reporting to OOAA Treasurer by October 15, 2025 as detailed above.
- 2) An email that includes the following sent to the OOAA Treasurer (kdengler@okotokshockey.com) and the OOAA Administrator (admin@okotokshockey.com) within 30 days of confirmation that the teams financial obligations have been met by all vendors and verification of equipment being returned.
 - A copy of the Budget vs. Actuals Report sent to parents.
 - Confirmation that excess funds were distributed to the parents or donated as applicable.

Other Financial Reporting

A team parent or a member of the OOAA Board of Directors is entitled to request financial information at any time from any OOAA team. If requested, the team must provide the following within seven (7) days of the request, as applicable:

- 1. A copy of the most recent bank statement.
- 2. A list of outstanding items that are to be paid.
- 3. A current financial statement indicating the funds raised and money spent up to a date that is within 30 days of the date of the request.

Any parent request for any of the above financial information is required to be in writing (i.e. email) with a copy of the request sent to the OOAA Administrator at admin@okotokshockey.com.

Retention of Financial Information

Receipts (or copies of receipts) should be obtained where applicable for expenditures and retained with the team financial records. The financial records of the team must be kept for three years following the end of the hockey season.

Compliance

Compliance with the above financial guidelines and policies is mandatory. Please contact the OOAA Treasurer with any questions or if assistance is required.

Non-compliance can result in sanctions against the head coach, team manager, or team treasurer as deemed appropriate by the OOAA Board of Directors.