



OWHA PLAYER MOVEMENT POLICY

Player Movement/Tryouts

- 1) “Permission to Skate” forms must be filled out and signed by a designated executive member of the player’s current association/team and presented to the association/team for which the player wishes to try out before she is allowed on the ice. Failure to comply will result in a minimum two (2) game suspension for the offending player and/or head coach.
- 2) No “Permission to Skate” forms may be used for the period between October 1st and two days after all the Provincial Championships for any teams during the current season.
- 3) In order to register with a team or organization other than the one with which she has already been registered for the current season, or with one which she was registered for the previous season, or with which she was registered for the last season in which she played, a player must first obtain an OWHA “Player Release” from her previous team or organization. A player may be released from one organization to another only once during a season, unless a change of the player’s family domicile has taken place or with special approval from the OWHA Registrar. The “Player Release” must be properly executed. If a player’s request for a release is denied, the player may appeal in writing to the OWHA for special approval in accordance with its policies and procedures. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in a two (2) game suspension for the head coach and/or player in question.

OWHA TAMPERING POLICY:

Team officials of any OWHA team shall not encourage indirectly or invite in a direct manner, or allow to participate in any training activities, practice or play in any scheduled league, tournament or exhibition game a registered member of another OWHA team from the previous season or of the current season in any division or category without first having obtained permission, in writing, in the manner set forth in the Player Movement Policy, from the team or club with which such player is registered. Failure to comply with the requirements, the responsible team and/or team official and player shall be sanctioned in any one or combination of the following manners:

- a) The head coach will be suspended for the minimum of ten (10) games;
- b) The team will be fined a sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). This fine is payable within fifteen (15) days of notification of the fine. Failure to submit the fine within the required time frame will result in automatic suspension until the fine is paid;
- c) The fine will be remitted to the OWHA;
- d) The player will not be eligible to sign with the team with which she had illegal tryouts;
- e) A suspension.

Teams with valid reasons to invite players to tryouts can approach team officials of her current team to request permission.

“Tampering Report” forms will be directed to the OWHA Office.

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