# RINGETTE

## **18+ ADULT**

# **ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

#### **LEVELS OF PLAY**

- AA/A: For the highly competitive athlete coming from the elite and competitive ranks of the minor system.
- B/BB: For the competitive athlete who plays with others of the same caliber; with few exceptions, players coming from the minor system would find this level most suitable.
- C/CC: For players with good skating and Ringette skills and may have come up through the minor leagues.
- Development (D): The least skilled of the levels, enjoyed by players new to the sport and those with experience. Includes beginners, schools, and outreach.

# **SEEDING OF TEAMS**

- Ringette Ontario will be responsible for ranking and seeding the 18+ / 35+ A/AA for Provincial Championships and for assisting in determining divisions at tournaments.
- Each team and/or association will be responsible for seeding their 18+/35+ BB and lower-level teams at the beginning of the playing season and registering them in accordance with the Levels of Play as listed above.

#### **AGE DIVISIONS**

18 + = 18 and up (no ceiling)

35 + = 35 and up (no ceiling)

• Any player designated 18+ will be subjected to all rules and governance which applies to the 18+ and 35+ divisions.

#### MEMBERSHIP/REGISTRATION

- All participants (players, bench staff, volunteers, etc.) on 18+/35+ teams shall register in accordance with Ringette Ontario registration categories.
- 18+Adult teams who are not currently affiliated with a ringette association must register with Ringette Ontario and will be charged a membership fee.
- 18+ athletes are excluded from the <u>U19 Two Team Player Procedures</u>. Refer to the 18+ Two Team Player section below.
- Team registration is due by November 15<sup>th</sup> of the current playing season.

- An independent player is one registered with RO (Ringette Ontario) and not affiliated with a specific team. The independent player shall not be allowed on the ice until the adult independent player registration form is completed.
- The maximum number of players on a TRF (Team Registration Form) shall be twenty-two (22). Anything over this number must have approval from Ringette Ontario.
- Players should be registered at the appropriate skill level TRF.
- All university teams must register with Ringette Ontario.
- Teams/Clubs will be invoiced for their player and coach membership fees.

#### **18+ COMPOSITE TEAMS**

#### **Definition:**

- A composite team is one in which players from two (2) or more teams are combined to participate in a Ringette Ontario sanctioned event.
- A composite team exists when you have no more than six (6) skaters from any given TRF (goaltender excluded).
- A composite team can consist of no more than fifteen (15) skaters and two (2) goaltenders.
- Composite teams are comprised of players already registered on 18+ /35+ teams who want to participate in tournament play with a group other than their home team.
- Composite teams are registered at the highest level of team. For example, 6 players come from one Open 18+BB team, 4 players from another Open 18+B team and 3 players are from an Open 18+CC team, the team would be registered as an Open 18+BB team.
- The <u>Adult Composite Team Form</u> must be completed and submitted for approval to the Ringette Ontario Membership Coordinator at least thirty (30) days before the tournament they are participating in.
- If changes to the composite team roster are required afterwards, player substitution rules shall apply.
- Under exceptional circumstances Ringette Ontario may authorize exceptions on a case-by-case basis.

## 18+ TWO TEAM PLAYERS

#### **Definition:**

A two-team player is a player who is registered on two (2) 18+/35+ TRFs of different skill levels. Two-team agreements are available for the following combinations:

• BB/B/CC/C/DEV to A or AA

The two-team player must identify the "priority team" before playing.

To register a player as an affiliate a Two-Team (TT) Player Agreement must be completed.

- The <u>Two-Team Player Agreement Form</u> must be signed off by the Ringette Ontario Membership Coordinator.
- The deadline for submission of the Two-Team Player Agreement shall be November 15th of the playing season.

- Up to three two-team players are permitted on any given team.
- At least seven players must be registered before a two-team player can be added to the team registration form.
- There is no restriction as to the number and type of games a two-team player may play.
- Two team player agreement rules do not apply to composite teams.
- There will be no two-team agreements approved with 18+ University level teams.