

RINGETTE ONTARIO ASSOCIATIONS MEMBERSHIP

1. ENROLLMENT REGISTRATION

- 1.1. Application for enrollment and acceptance by the Board of Directors for the Corporation completes and constitutes an agreement or enforceable contract whereby the applicant/member agrees to follow the By-Laws and Regulations of the Corporation; the Corporation agrees to follow its own By-Laws and Regulations.
- 1.2. Regions are agents of the Corporation and as such do not have any right to resign and cannot resign.
- 1.3. Regions shall register all members within their jurisdiction; all participants including sub-classes of players, bench staff, officials, volunteers, bodies, entities, or individuals whose principal residence or usual domicile is situated within the Region.
- 1.4. Registered Members upon application shall set out a specific geographic area on the application, in which jurisdiction the Registered Member will be given specific rights by the Region and Corporation. Registered Member Boundaries shall be that City, Town or Village(s) Municipal Boundary as defined by the Province of Ontario and be obtained and submitted by the Registered Member.
- 1.5. Boundary disputes between Registered Members resulting from municipal By-Law/Regulation amendments shall be dealt with by the Region, unless otherwise requested by the Region, to be addressed at a Provincial Board of Directors Meeting.
- 1.6. Registered Members shall register every player, bench staff, volunteer (on and off ice), board executives, and committee members with the Corporation through the Ringette Ontario online registration system.
- 1.7. Every participant is responsible for being cognizant of the By-Laws and Regulations of the Corporation as they may exist from time to time.

2. REGION JURISDICATIONS:

2.1. Central Region

The Regional Municipality of Durham; Counties Northumberland, Peterborough, Victoria, Prince Edward; District Municipalities of Haliburton, Muskoka.

2.2. Eastern Region

The Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton; Counties of Hastings, Lennox and Addington, Frontenac, Leeds, Grenville, Stormont, Dundas, Glengarry, Prescott, Russell, Lanark, Renfrew.

2.3. North Eastern Region

The Regional Municipality of Sudbury; the Districts of Parry Sound, Manitoulin, Temiskaming, Nipissing, Sudbury, Algoma, Cochrane, and that part of the District of Kenora lying east of a line continuing north from the northeast point of the District of Cochrane to latitude 53 ½ degrees and thence northwest at a 45-degree angle to the western border of Ontario.

2.4. North Western Region

The Districts of Thunder Bay, Rainy River, and that part of the District of Kenora west of that included in the Northeastern Region set out in (3), supra.

2.5. Southern Region

The Metropolitan Municipality of Toronto; the Regional Municipalities of York, Haldiman-Norfolk, Halton, Hamilton-Wentworth, Niagara, Peel, and that part of the Regional Municipality of Waterloo being the City of Cambridge; the Counties of Brant, Oxford, and Simcoe.

2.6. Western Region

The Regional Municipality of Waterloo, except the City of Cambridge; the Counties of Bruce, Dufferin, Elgin, Essex, Grey, Huron, Kent, Lambton, Middlesex, Perth and Wellington.

3. RINGETTE ONTARIO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

- 3.1. Reference should be made to notice, nominations, amendments, and rule development regulations to ascertain specific procedures required if a member wishes to exercise certain rights.
- 3.2. Reference should be made to voting, delegates, Board of Directors, and the same topics as applicable to Regions, for information in relation thereto.
- 3.3. The agenda for the Annual General Meeting shall be set by the Board of Directors in each year, but shall generally follow the form set out herein to meet not only the requirements of the Act, but those of the By-Laws of the Corporation:
 - I. Formal Opening (including establishment of quorum)
 - II. Presentation and approval of reports
 - III. Financial Statements (ratification, accountants)
 - IV. Budget Presentations
 - V. Business as specified in meeting notice
 - VI. Elections
 - VII. Director's Caucus
 - VIII. Presentation of Board/Officers
 - IX. Adjournment

3.4. Election of Regional Directors must be reported to the Ringette Ontario office within ten (10) days of the regional AGM or before the Ringette Ontario AGM, whichever occurs first.

4. MEMBER VOTING RIGHTS

- 4.1. No Registered Member Delegate shall be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Corporation unless all dues and fees payable by said member are paid and the member is in good standing.
- 4.2. Any member of the Corporation may attend a member's meeting, be it annual, general or special, shall have the right, by delegate, to vote as outlined in the bylaws.
- 4.3. A Registered Member shall designate their delegate for all matters in the manner indicated by the Board of Directors.
- 4.4. A Registered Member may appoint a delegate other than that originally designated by informing the Board of Directors of same in writing and verified by any two officers of the Registered Member.
- 4.5. The Board of Directors shall cause to be published in each year and with the application for registration form, those privileges reserved to the member/participant of the Corporation as they exist from time to time.

5. MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING:

- 5.1. To be registered members/participants must submit their Association Registration form to Ringette Ontario along with their annual membership fee.
- 5.2. Must have all dues and fees paid, within thirty (30) days of invoice being issued or rights the member may have acquired will cease until dues and fees are paid.
- 5.3. For the purpose of voting at the Annual General Meeting, all outstanding amounts owing to RO in excess of \$5.00 must be paid no later than 1 month prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting.
- 5.4. An outstanding accounts receivable of less than \$5.00 shall be deemed to be paid in full for voting purposes *only* at the RO General Meeting.
- 5.5. If invoice is not paid within forty-five (45) days of issuance, teams cannot participate in sanctioned events
- 5.6. If invoice is not paid within sixty (60) days of invoice there will be a loss of line of credit with provincial office regarding resources/services

5.7. If invoice is not paid within ninety (90) days of invoice the association will lose insurance coverage and given notice to pay outstanding dues/fees within thirty (3) days or the Board of Directors will be able to terminate membership.