



RINGETTE ONTARIO

CONTESTED APPLICATION FOR PLAYER RELEASE (Southern and Central Area Clubs)

- 1.1 The player **must not** appear on the ice for any Local Club who is involved in the contested Application for Player Release until the Region Release Tribunal has rendered a decision.
- 1.2 A formal written request for a release tribunal must be submitted to ~~the Region~~ Ringette Ontario Membership Coordinator – via email to membership@ringetteontario.com - within seven (7) days after the player has received written confirmation that the ‘application for player release’ is denied. The request for tribunal must follow Ringette Ontario policy.
- 1.3 Ringette Ontario shall convene a Player Release Tribunal Hearing within seven (7) days of receipt of the Contested Application for Player Release from the Receiving Club.
- 1.4 The Ringette Ontario Release Tribunal shall be chaired by the Ringette Ontario Operations Director (or Designate) and the Panel shall consist of three (3) persons the Ringette Ontario Athlete Director (or Designate), the Ringette Ontario Chair of Team Formation (or Designate) and one (1) further person as appointed by the RO Operations Director. Also attending is the Ringette Ontario Membership Coordinator of the Region.
 - 1.4.1 The Operations Director attends the Tribunal to ensure the procedures are followed and to Chair the meeting, not to influence the tribunal. The Operations Director does not participate in the discussion or vote on the decision.
 - 1.4.2 The Ringette Ontario Membership Coordinator must be present as a resource person and does not vote on the decision but may answer questions.
- 1.5 The Tribunal shall ensure that the Ringette Ontario office, Releasing Club, Receiving Club and the Applicant are notified at least three (3) days in advance of the time and place of the Release Tribunal Hearing.
- 1.6 When all speakers have been heard and all questions have been answered, the Tribunal Panel retires to discuss and render their decision. The Tribunal shall render a decision with rationale based on the evidence provided at the Release Tribunal Hearing regardless of whether any of the Releasing Club, Receiving Club or Applicant is not in attendance.
- 1.7 Copies of the tribunal minutes and any submitted statements to be forwarded to the Ringette Ontario office in a timely manner.
- 1.8 Any decision rendered by this Player Release Tribunal is final and not subject to appeal.