

RINGETTE ONTARIO

CONTESTED APPLICATION FOR PLAYER RELEASE

- 1.1 The player **must not** appear on the ice for any Local Association who is involved in the contested Application for Player Release until the Region Release Tribunal has rendered a decision.
- Any player contesting an application for player release must be a registered participant of their home association and provide proof thereof for the season in which the release is being requested. A formal written request for a release tribunal must be submitted to the Region 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 regional policy.
- 1.3 The Region shall convene a Player Release Tribunal Hearing within seven (7) days of receipt of the Contested Application for Player Release Form from the Receiving Association.
- 1.4 The Region Release Tribunal shall be chaired by the Regional Director or Designate and consist of three (3) persons as appointed by the Regional Director and the Membership Services Coordinator of the Region.
 - 1.4.1 The Regional Director attends the Tribunal to ensure the procedures are followed and to Chair the meeting, not to influence the tribunal. The Regional Director does not participate in the discussion or vote on the decision.
 - 1.4.2 The Membership Services 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 Association, Receiving Association 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 Association, Receiving Association 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 appeal of this Player Release Tribunal Hearing's decision will follow the Ringette Ontario Appeals Policy.