



POLICY TITLE: TEAM FORMATION POLICY

Effective Date: July 14, 2020

1.0 PURPOSE

SGRA endeavors to create teams that will provide a positive playing experience for the players. Ringette is a team sport and every player should be made to feel part of the team. Things taken into consideration in team formation, but not necessarily limited to or constrained by, are:

- Team Viability;
- Competitive Expectation at the Various Levels (AA, A, B, C, or Equal Formation);
- Universal Athlete Assessment (UAA);
- Long Term Athletic Development (LTAD);
- Availability of Coaches;
- Availability of Ice;
- Player Placement Requests (Active Start and/or U10 New Players Only);
- Goaltender allocation;
- Player Positions.

Once formed, the team has certain obligations to and certain expectations of SGRA. The team personnel, players, and parents have certain rights with respect to the team and how it operates.

2.0 SCOPE

This policy applies to all individuals in the scope of their involvement in the sport of Ringette with SGRA.

3.0 REQUIREMENTS

Player evaluation will be conducted prior to the beginning of each Ringette season for each division and all player evaluations shall be done according to SGRA Player Evaluation processes. Notice will be Provided via the SGRA Web site and the Division Directors outlining the evaluation process for the current season.

4.0 TEAM ASSIGNMENTS

When evaluations are complete, players will be assigned to a level within a division and a team within that level. These placements are final.

Players (or their parents) wanting information regarding **their own** (or child's) evaluation(s) and/or placement (UAA Score or Team Average Score) must be submitted **in writing** to the Division Director. **Neither** players nor their parents are permitted to inquire about the evaluation(s), standings or placement of other players. **Requests** may be submitted to the Division Director at the conclusion of the Team Formation process and will be responded to **within (30) days** of the request date. Inquiries submitted prior to the conclusion of Team Formation will not be responded to.

5.0 PLAYER PLACEMENT REQUESTS (*BRAND NEW PLAYERS ONLY*)

New or first-time players can submit requests to be placed on the same team as a friend or family member. These requests are limited to one per player and can only be made by new/first time players in the Active Start and U10 Division (Steps 1, 2, and 3).

5.1 Guidelines for Requests

- Each request must be submitted by the parent/guardian of the players involved in the request. (Ex. Player “A” and Player “B” would like to play together. Player “A” submits a request form which must have Player “B” signatures agreeing to the request). This represents the special request for both Player “A” and Player “B”. No further request will be considered from either player.
- **Requests should be made at time of registration.** If request is not made at time of registration, the request may not be accommodated.
- **No requests will be accepted or considered once evaluations are underway.**

It is important to note that submitting a request is ***not*** a guarantee the request can be met. Players will be placed in the appropriate Step and/or level as per Black Gold League and Ringette Alberta recommendations and will be determined by player evaluations and assessments.

The responsibility of team formation is that of the Team Selection/Oversight Committee. Our main goal is to meet division and step requirements. The request may only be accommodated if it does not interfere with meeting requirements as set out by Black Gold League and Ringette Alberta.

Please see [Player Request Form](#) found on SGRA website.

APPENDIX 1:

See the following documents for supporting information:

Evaluation Guide

Goaltender Policy