

#### GSRA Out of Association Player Policy- Competitive teams

# Applicability

This Out-of-Association Player policy applies to tryouts and team formation for all AA and A teams hosted by the Greater Sudbury Ringette Association.

## Policy

An "Out of Association" player is any player who, per Ringette Ontario rules, requires a Release from another association to be eligible to register with and play for Greater Sudbury Ringette Association.

All players outside of the Greater Sudbury Ringette Association will be required a temporary 1-year release to play on a GSRA A or AA team, if selected.

The out of association player may request permission to tryout and subsequently be released from their home association for the following reasons:

- 1. Level of play not available
- 2. Age group not available
- 3. Other

Process for out of association players to tryout for an A or AA team:

1. A release is NOT needed to tryout at another association's tryouts. A release is only needed once a player has accepted their spot on the team.

If a player has been released to an A or AA team, for reason "Level of Play", that team will be committed to remain at the A or AA level for the remainder of the season and the team cannot retreat to any lower level of play.

A Player Release granted on "Level of Play" will only be released to the closest association offering that level of play. This association is considered the player's "Current Association" and has first right to receive the players if released by the player's "Home Association". Closest association shall be governed by the player's Home Region Policy.

All out of association players who are offered a spot on the Greater Sudbury Ringette Association A or AA teams must complete this Ringette Ontario Player Release form <u>https://ringetteontario.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/RO-Player-Release-Form-Update.pdf</u> This form must be signed in the following order of priority:

The Player Tryout/Release Form is to be signed in the following order of priority:

- 1. Parent/Player
- 2. Releasing Association
- 3. Releasing Region (if different than Receiving Region)
- 4. Receiving Region

For the Ringette Ontario Player Tryout/Release Policy visit: https://ringetteontario.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/PLAYER-TRYOUT\_RELEASE.pdf

#### **Team Formation- Out of Association Players:**

"Out of Association" players may try out for any Greater Sudbury Ringette competitive team provided that they are properly registered with their home association. The decision to take out-of-association players is the discretion of the coach and the availability of the athlete for events such as practices, dryland and exhibition games.

## Approval

This policy was approved by the Greater Sudbury Executive on February 22, 2023

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