24/25 Registration FAQ's

- 1. **Is there hockey for 4yr old's?** Yes, we offer a once-a-week program at the OTR (Okanagan Training Rink) Sundays from 8-9am.
- 2. **Can I use my cell phone to complete the registration?** No, In the documents and waivers section, you will need to download a Medical and Fair Play form. The forms are pdf fillable. Then upload them back to the TeamSnap registration before you can continue. A computer or tablet is your best devices for completing the registration.
- 3. **Do I require an HCR ID number to register my child?** Yes, HCR (Hockey Canada Registry) ID numbers can be found on your Hockey Canada "My Account". Everyone who is involved with minor hockey has an ID number.
- 4. How do I get an HCR ID number if my child is new to hockey? You will need to go to our NEW PLAYERS section of our registration page and complete the explained steps. The registrar will then email you your child(s) HCR ID number and you can then proceed with the TeamSnap registration process.
- 5. **Is there an advantage to registering early?** Yes, there is a \$100 early bird discount for each player registered before midnight June 30th.
- 6. **How can I pay?** There are 2 ways to pay. You can pay by major credit card or you can etransfer. At the checkout phase of registration, you can finish by using your credit card. If you choose to etransfer, complete the registration to the checkout section. Note the amount before processing fee (this is for credit card use) and send your etransfer to accountant@gvmha.com, in the comments field list player(s) name(s) and birth year. You can then exit out of the registration (it will be saved automatically), the office will complete your registration once they have confirmation of your etransfer.
- Can I pay by installments? Yes, we offer an installment plan of 3 equal payments. Installments are 1/3 at registration, 1/3 on or before Jul 26th and 1/3 (balance) on or before Aug 30th.
- 8. **Is there a family plan discount?** Yes, families with more than two players playing on a GVMHA team receive a 50% discount on the base fee of the 3rd and subsequent registrations. The discount will apply to the lower valued registration and does not include try-out fees. To receive the family plan discount, complete the registration adding all participants and get to the checkout section, pay the initial installment for all players (1/3 of the base registration). You can close the registration at this point, it will be saved automatically. Then email administrator@gvmha.com listing the players names and birth years. State that you are requesting the family plan discount. The office will reply with confirmation that you qualify and the amount you are required to further pay to complete the base payment for all players.

- 9. Why is there a try-out fee for Development or Rep? Try-outs require additional practice & exhibition ice, evaluators and referees. The fee of \$200 per player is used to offset these additional costs.
- 10. Can my daughter play on an all-girls team? Yes, we are planning to have all-female teams at U9, U11, U13, U15 and U18 recreation.
- 11. What are carding fees? Rep (formerly carding) fees are for development and rep teams. These teams receive an extra practice each week and this fee covers the additional ice cost.
- 12. **What are Superleague fees?** Recreation teams play in the OMAHA North Superleague. The fee (approx. \$50 per player) goes to cover the playoff tournament at the end of the season.
- 13. **What are team fees?** Team fees are additional things the team does aside from practices and league games. These may include: tournament entry fees, apparel, dryland training, team parties, exhibition games, coach expenses for non-parent Head Coaches...etc. Team fees will vary depending on how many tournaments you go to and how much fundraising the team does. Typically, excess funds at the end of the season are returned to the parents. Rep team fee are typically around \$500-\$700 per season and Rec team fees are typically around \$200-\$400 per season.
- 14. **Can more than one parent be on the email list?** Yes, we understand we have split families where communication is sometimes challenging. If both parents' emails are added at registration, both will receive critical emails after your child is placed on a team. The primary email at registration is the ONLY one used initially.
- 15. **Is financial assistance available?** Yes, we list on our website several organizations along with links that offer financial assistance to families. Typically, families apply, the organization then sends the funds directly to GVMHA. We will then contact the family to arrange the balance or credit of the registration fees. Apply for financial assistance immediately after registering with GVMHA. GVMHA will refund you if after receiving funding there is a credit situation.
- 16. When is the Base Registration due by? GVMHA requires base funding be FULLY paid by Sept 1st for rep registered players and Sept 22nd for recreation registered players.
- 17. **Are longer payment plans available?** Yes, on a case by case basis. Email administrator@gvmha.com once you register to discuss. The maximum extension would be by installment with the final payment made no later than Dec 1st.
- 18. What is GVMHA's refund policy? Pro-rated refunds are available up to Dec 31st minus a \$50 administration fee and any fees paid to Hockey Canada and or BC Hockey. No refunds will be given to suspended players.
- 19. Do I have to pay immediately if my I'm trying out for a higher-level team? No, you must register so that you ensure you have spot if you are assigned back to GVMHA. So complete registration up to the checkout section. You can then close the registration, it will automatically save your progress. Then email administrator@gvmha.com and advise you are trying out for a higher-level team (U18 AAA or AA, U17 AAA, U15AAA or AA, U18 AAA Female, U15A Female).

20. What do I require if we are moving to Vernon from another

association? When you register online, the documents sections allows you to upload a Proof of Residency and a copy of the new players Birth Certificate. GVMHA will then request a move-with-parent form. This is signed by the parent requesting, the old association and the new association(GVMHA).