

Live streaming policy for Greater Vernon Minor Hockey

To: Vernon Minor Hockey Team Managers & Coaches

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Subject: Streaming of minor hockey games & practices.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the many social distancing restrictions in municipally owned rinks, The Greater Vernon Minor Hockey Association is recommending the following for individual teams to live stream their own games and/or practices.

- The Greater Vernon Minor Hockey Association is not providing Live Streaming services. Live streaming of games will be the sole responsibility of each team, individually.
- Prior to streaming any minor hockey league games or practices, each team manager is
 responsible for signed authorization from a parent/guardian from each player, authorizing the use
 of photos/video of their child to be online/on social media as per policy from GVMHA. Consent
 forms will be sent to Team Managers from GVMHA administration. Once they are completed,
 please send them as a team bundle to gvmha@shaw.ca.
- Each team may choose to use any online streaming platform they wish, assuming the proper forms have been signed. GVMHA recommends a team Facebook page that is by invite only.
 Facebook Live is easy to use and most parents/guardians use this form of social media.
- Each team must assign one parent to video the game. This person should also serve as the COVID ambassador to limit the number of people inside the facility.
- When a parent volunteer uses their own mobile device or iPad to video/stream the game, we
 recommend they connect to the rinks Wi-Fi to avoid costly data usage. Wi-Fi passwords will be
 provided to each team manager individually.
- GVMHA will not reimburse anyone for any data or any other expense related to streaming video.
- Please be aware that outside of the City of Vernon, not every arena may have Wi-fi. Please check with each individual rink attendant.

Please send any questions or concerns to The Greater Vernon Minor Hockey Association office at (250) 542-0754 or email gvmha@shaw.ca