

## **BC Hockey Launches Female Central Registry**

In preparation for the 2019-2020 season, BC Hockey has created a Female Central Registry for players interested in playing female hockey at the Pee Wee, Bantam and Midget divisions.

In accordance with BC Hockey's <u>Female Model</u>, the Female Central Registry will be utilized to allow more females to play female hockey.

All females interested in participating in female hockey (including potential exhibition or tournament teams) are encouraged to register. There is no cost to register via the Female Central Registry. All participants are encouraged to register with their home Minor Hockey Association (MHA) first.

MHAs will continue to organize and host female teams. The Female Central Registry will allow BC Hockey's Female Zone Leads to aid MHAs in finding players from outside their draw zone interested in participating in female hockey.

"I believe the Female Central Registry could really help grow the female game in British Columbia," commented former Team BC captain and Team Canada member, Micah Hart. "I personally chose to play co-ed minor hockey until moving away from home in Midget to play for a female team, but it was the times that I did get the chance to compete with other girls like me that kept me in the game. It is exciting to think that young girls could have this experience sooner, keeping them in the game longer and providing them with endless opportunities down the road."

For the purpose of the registry, each MHA has been assigned to a Female Zone. Each player is to register under the zone of their home MHA. Please click on your zone below to register.

Female Central Registry Zones	
Kootenay East	Kootenay West
North East	North Central
North West	Okanagan Central
<u>Okanagan North</u>	<u>Okanagan South</u>
Vancouver Island Central	Vancouver Island North

The deadline to register through the Female Central Registry will be August 25, 2019. Questions regarding the Central Registry can be directed to <u>femalehockeyinfo@bchockey.net</u>.

## FEMALE ZONE MHAFREQUENTLY ASKEDLISTQUESTIONS

Females on Southern Vancouver Island (the Capital Region Female MHA draw zone) and Lower Mainland regions are not required to register with the Female Central Registry due to the presence of Female Hockey Associations within these areas. Similarly, females in the Yukon do not need to register through the Female Central Registry as Yukon Amateur Hockey Association already utilizes a zone concept for female hockey.

Additionally, players who are rostered to Female Midget AAA (FMAAA) or Hockey Canada accredited school teams for the 2019-2020 season do not need to register.

For more information about BC Hockey, please visit the BC Hockey website at <u>www.bchockey.net</u> or email <u>info@bchockey.net</u> or follow along through social media at <u>www.facebook.com/BCHockeySource</u>, <u>www.twitter.com/BCHockey Source</u>, <u>www.youtube.com/BCHockeySource</u> or www.instagram.com/BCHockeySource.

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