

## REGULATIONS

- 1) The Executive shall have the authority to make Regulations which shall be binding on all members of the Association. These regulations may be added to, changed, or deleted from time to time at the discretion of the Executive by a majority vote at any Executive Meeting as per Section 6.13 of the Association Bylaws.
- 2) To ensure an executive response, any complaints pertaining to minor hockey must be submitted to the President in writing and signed by the complainant. The complainant will then be dealt with at the next executive meeting.
- 3) Only authorized people (players, coaches, and officials) will be allowed on the ice area during games or practices as per Hockey Alberta rules. All players and coaches must be in equipment outlined by Hockey Alberta By-Laws.
- 4) No player shall be allowed on the ice area, including player boxes, before the ice cleaning machine has left the ice and gates are closed.
- 5) All players must be registered with the Association before being permitted to try out, practice, play in a game, or go on the ice for any team under the jurisdiction of the Association. Players from other Associations must have permission form from their Association before allowed on the ice.
- 6) Coaches are not allowed to solicit players who reside outside the Wetaskiwin Zone, with the exception of the U15 and U18 Divisions.
- 7) All players are to wear all necessary equipment as specified by CHA and HA whenever they skate on the ice under jurisdiction of the Association.
- 8) Coaches may try out, practice, and play only those players whose names appear on a list of registered players provided to them by the Registrar of the Association.
- 9) Players must register to play in the division for which they are qualified to play by age. Any exceptions must be approved by the President, Vice President, and the Player Coach/Development Coordinator.
- 10) Players that reside in the Wetaskiwin Zone will automatically be eligible to register and play in the Association.
- 11) Only the Equipment Manager, President, Coordinators, team coaches and or managers shall have access to the Equipment Room. Only the WMHA Executive will have access to the WMHA office.
- 12) The refund schedule for players moving away from Wetaskiwin Zone or who became unable to play hockey because of injury, illness, or other valid reasons is as follows:

By October 15 of the Registration year	100% refund minus a \$75.00 processing fee
By November 15 of the Registration year	50% refund
By December 15 of the Registration year	25% refund
After December 15	No Refund

\*Fundraising credits are non-refunding

- 13) At the discretion of the WMHA Executive, divisions shall be allowed to carry players from outside the Wetaskiwin Zone that bring registration numbers as deemed by HA. Numbers per team will be decided by the Executive no later than November 15<sup>th</sup> of each

year. All other teams, with the exception of female teams, shall be composed entirely of players residing within the Wetaskiwin Zone.

- 14) Any player from outside the Wetaskiwin Zone must also be approved by the Executive.
- 15) The first 38 players will be accepted into their designated program. Players registered after the 38 players shall be placed upon a waiting list. By Sept 15 the Executive and coordinators will determine the number of teams that will play in those divisions.
- 16) The female program will accept players from both within the Wetaskiwin Zone and from outside the Wetaskiwin Zone with preference being given to players residing within Wetaskiwin Zone.
- 17) All players registered shall be processed by the Association. All registration fees will be payable to Wetaskiwin Minor Hockey Association and shall be paid in full by December 15th of each year. If fees are unpaid, a person shall lose his/her member status and shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting and the player(s) concerned shall not be allowed to play. A player shall be reinstated once fees are paid in full. Any outstanding fees must be paid in full before registration next year.
- 18) All teams receiving direct sponsorship funds, association funds, or funds through fundraising shall prepare a season financial statement substantiated by receipts and bank statements and upon request, present that statement to the Executive at the end of the season before the yearly Annual General Meeting. Team Account balances at the end of the year will not be rolled over to the next year.
- 19) Any/all board members shall not hold a team official position (coach, assistant coach, manager, trainer, etc.) with any association outside of WMHA, unless they submit a letter of request to the Executive and are approved by the majority vote.
- 20) If a U18, U15, or U13 age player tries out for a team of higher caliber than is offered in the Wetaskiwin Zone and then wishes to return to play in Wetaskiwin, provided that he/she returns before October 5 to Wetaskiwin, he/she will be permitted the same opportunity to make the Wetaskiwin Zone team, if he/she has registered with WMHA on time. Thus, players on U18, U15, or U13 teams may be cut and transferred to other teams to make room for these returnees.
- 21) The Discipline Committee will deal with all suspensions within 7 days.
- 22) The Association will replace all U7, U9, U11, U13, U15, and U18 uniforms as needed with the Wetaskiwin Minor Hockey Association colors.
- 23) Every Effort will be made to purchase all minor hockey uniforms, goalie equipment, club jackets, and other miscellaneous items through sporting goods suppliers in the City of Wetaskiwin and within the Wetaskiwin Minor Hockey Association Boundaries.
- 24) Establishment of Sponsors for all teams shall be set by the Executive.
- 25) When a player is expelled from a hockey game, he/she is to be placed in the control of a responsible adult for the remainder of the game. Immediately following the game, he/she is to return to the club dressing room.
- 26) All requests for a players release must be presented in writing to the President. WMHA will follow HA GUIDELINES when determining if a release will be granted.
- 27) Any type of electronic photo devices will not be permitted in the team dressing room at any time.

- 28) Minutes shall be posted on the website for the membership to view once they are approved by the Executive at the following meeting.
- 29) Bullying and Harassment will not be tolerated as per Hockey Canada Policy and Procedures Manual Section 5.12