



83RD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

JUNE 10, 2017
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NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-01

Amendment To: By-Law One – Mission of the OMHA
By-Law One Article: 3.0 Page#: 30-31
Submitted By: OMHA Board
Signatures: Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf

CURRENT WORDING

3.0 MISSION OF THE OMHA

- 3.1 The purpose of the OMHA is to promote, encourage, govern, and organize ice hockey for the youth of the OMHA which includes:
- a) co-ordinating and developing minor hockey programs for all ages up to and including the Juvenile age division for players in that part of Ontario for which the OMHA is responsible.
 - b) protecting and serving the mutual interests of all its members.
 - c) carrying out competition for championships as deemed appropriate by the Board.
 - d) recognizing the integrity of local community programs and encouraging a strong sense of community pride and participation.
 - e) representing the interest of its members at the Branch/OHF and National levels.
 - f) working with the Branch/OHF and National Associations to promote the cooperative development of hockey programs and their effective administration.
 - g) enhancing the positive value of programs by providing leadership and initiatives to develop players, coaches, officials and local volunteers.
- 3.2 The aims of the OMHA are as follows:
- a) to encourage and promote certain ideals in all participants: to play fairly under all circumstances and all conditions; to give opponents a fair chance and not take unfair advantage of any opponent; to win graciously and accept defeat with dignity; to show respect to the game officials.
 - b) to love the game above the prize.
 - c) to provide sport for the greatest number.

PROPOSED WORDING

None – Relocate from By-Law to Introductory section of OMHA Manual of Operations

RATIONALE

To reflect and align the Mission and Values established as outcomes of the ongoing brand identity process and communication as approved by the OMHA Board.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-02

Amendment To: By-Law One – Meetings of the Members
By-Law One Article: 7.4 a) Notice - Annual General Meeting **Page#: 36**
Submitted By: OMHA Board
Signatures: Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf

CURRENT WORDING

7.4 Notice

a) Annual General Meeting

Notice of the AGM shall set out the agenda, including particulars of any other business to come before the meeting. The time and the place of the meeting, and such notice shall be mailed to all Active and General Members at the last known recorded address for such members in the records of the OMHA

PROPOSED WORDING

7.4 Notice

a) Annual General Meeting

Notice of the AGM shall set out the agenda, including particulars of any other business to come before the meeting. The time and the place of the meeting, and such notice shall be made to all Active and General Members by **electronic mail** at the last known recorded **email** address for such members in the records of the OMHA

RATIONALE

Communication from the OMHA is currently by electronic mail, bringing the by-law up to date.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-03

Amendment To: By-Law One – Passing and Amending By-Laws
By-Law One Article: 19.2 **Page#:** 61
Submitted By: OMHA Board
Signatures: Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf

CURRENT WORDING

19.2 Notice of proposed amendments to this By-law must be made in writing, signed by a member in good standing and must be received by the Executive Director by registered mail or equivalent at least eight (8) weeks in advance of the AGM at which they are to be considered.

PROPOSED WORDING

19.2 Notice of proposed amendments to a By-law **or Regulation** must be made in writing, signed by a member in good standing and must be received by the Executive Director by registered mail or equivalent at least eight (8) weeks in advance of the AGM at which they are to be considered.

RATIONALE

To clarify that the deadline for changes includes regulations.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-04

Amendment To:	Regulations - Definitions	
Regulation No.:	1.0 Approved Photocopy	Page#: 77
Submitted By:	OMHA Board	
Signatures:	Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf	

CURRENT WORDING

Approved Photocopy: Refers to a copy of an electronic roster which has been certified by the RD or designate.

PROPOSED WORDING

Delete.

RATIONALE

Electronic roster contain a signature when printed.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES:

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-05

Amendment To: Regulation – Definitions
Regulation No.: 1.0 (NEW)
Submitted By: OMHA Board
Signatures: Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf

Page#: NEW

CURRENT WORDING

None.

PROPOSED WORDING

Electronic Roster: A list of players, affiliated players and team officials that has been submitted by a centre and approved by the Regional Director or designate.

RATIONALE

Throughout the Manual of Operations there is reference to Electronic Rosters but there is not a definition.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES:

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-06

Amendment To:	Regulation - Definitions	
Regulation No.:	1.0 Respect in Sport	Page#: 84
Submitted By:	OMHA Board	
Signatures:	Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf	

CURRENT WORDING

Respect in Sport: An online program designed to prevent harassment and abuse in minor hockey.

PROPOSED WORDING

Respect in Sport: An online program designed to **educate the OMHA membership in the prevention of harassment and abuse in minor hockey.**

RATIONALE

The program itself does not prevent harassment and abuse, it is an educational component to educate members in the prevention of harassment and abuse.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-07

Amendment To:	Regulation - Definitions	
Regulation No.:	1.0 Speak Out	Page#: 85
Submitted By:	OMHA Board	
Signatures:	Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf	

CURRENT WORDING

Speak Out: A program designed to prevent harassment and abuse in minor hockey.

PROPOSED WORDING

Speak Out: A program designed to **educate team officials in the prevention of harassment and abuse in minor hockey. (This program is now known as Respect in Sport – Activity Leader)**

RATIONALE

The program itself does not prevent harassment and abuse, it is an educational component to educate members in the prevention of harassment and abuse.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-08

Amendment To: Regulation – Players
Regulation No.: 3.1 a)
Submitted By: OMHA Board
Signatures: Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf

Page#: 92

CURRENT WORDING

3.1 a)	
Division	Age Limit
Juvenile	under 20 years as at Dec. 31
Midget	under 18 years as at Dec. 31
Bantam	under 15 years as at Dec. 31
Peewee	under 13 years as at Dec. 31
Atom	under 11 years as at Dec. 31
Novice	under 9 years as at Dec. 31
Tyke	under 8 years as at Dec. 31
Initiation Program	under 7 years as at Dec. 31
Sub-Division	Age Limit
Minor Juvenile	under 19 years as at Dec. 31
Minor Midget (BB-D)	under 17 years as at Dec. 31
Min. Midget (AAA-AA-A)	under 16 years as at Dec. 31
Minor Bantam	under 14 years as at Dec. 31
Minor Peewee	under 12 years as at Dec. 31
Minor Atom	under 10 years as at Dec. 31

PROPOSED WORDING

3.1 a)

Division	Age Limit
Juvenile	18 & 19 years old as at Dec. 31
Midget	15 & 16 & 17 years old as at Dec. 31
Bantam	13 & 14 years old as at Dec. 31
Peewee	11 & 12 years old as at Dec. 31
Atom	9 & 10 years old as at Dec. 31
Novice	8 years old as at Dec. 31
Tyke	7 years old as at Dec. 31
Initiation Program	5 & 6 years old as at Dec. 31
Sub-Division	Age Limit
Minor Juvenile	18 years old as at Dec. 31
Minor Midget (BB-DD)	15 & 16 years old as at Dec. 31
Min. Midget (AAA-AA-A)	15 years old as at Dec. 31
Minor Bantam	13 years old as at Dec. 31
Minor Peewee	11 years old as at Dec. 31
Minor Atom	9 years old as at Dec. 31

RATIONALE

Clarify more specifically the ages of players for each division & sub-division.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-09

Amendment To:	Regulation – Players	
Regulation No.:	3.1 a)	Page#: 92
Submitted By:	Port Dover Minor Hockey Association	
Signatures:	Kevin Bradt/ Marg Ryerse	

CURRENT WORDING

Juvenile under 20 years as at Dec. 31

PROPOSED WORDING

Juvenile under 21 years as at Dec 31

RATIONALE

The idea is to harmonize the juvenile age with the Jr. Age. With the new registration cost charged to players to play in the Jr A league a few years ago there has been a filtering down effect to the Jr B & Jr C levels where registration cost to players is significantly less. When you combine this filtering down effect with the loss of Jr D hockey a few years back it is becoming very difficult for local kids to play on their local Jr C team. With the age for Jr A, B, & C being 18, 19 & 20 year olds and with the OMHA's aim of "providing sport for the greatest number" it just seems natural that we as hockey parents would like our 18-20 year old kids to keep playing hockey whether that be Jr or juvenile. If we can change the age we keep more kids playing hockey longer and it would also help small rural centres who maybe can't get quite enough local kids to ice a juvenile team thus increasing the number of juvenile teams and therefore creating leagues with more robust numbers.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-10

Amendment To:	Regulation – Registration	
Regulation No.:	3.2 c) ii) Local League	Page#: 94
Submitted By:	OMHA Board	
Signatures:	Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf	

CURRENT WORDING

c) Local League

- i) All players shall be registered with the OMHA on approved electronic rosters. These documents are to be submitted to the Regional Director within three (3) weeks after the Centres' schedule begins, but no later than December 1st.

PROPOSED WORDING

c) Local League

- i) All players shall be registered with the OMHA on approved electronic rosters which are to be submitted to the Regional Director within three (3) weeks after the Centres' schedule begins, but no later than December 1st.

RATIONALE

Clarify the wording of the regulation.

RESULT: ☐ Carried ☐ Carried as amended ☐ Defeated

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-11

Amendment To: Regulation – Exemption to Play in Another Centre
Regulation No.: 3.5 b) Page#: 96
Submitted By: Markham Waxer AAA Zone Inc.
Signatures: George Schnarr/Gary Ashford

CURRENT WORDING

b) Current Methods of Player Movement

- i) The Waiver system will continue for the AAA hockey program as per the current OMHA/Alliance regulations
- ii) The current LOR regulations remain in effect
- iii) Players from an Association that is unable to roster a team in a season may try out in the next nearest Centre per OMHA Regulation 3.5 a)

PROPOSED WORDING

b) Current Methods of Player Movement

- i) AAA
 - a) Novice to Major Peewee OMHA residential players are eligible to try out and participate with any AAA team within the OMHA providing they have attended the tryouts with their home AAA association/zone and have been released. Players leaving the OMHA to play AAA with another Member's AAA program must follow the current OHF Waiver Regulations.
 - b) Minor Bantam to Minor Midget OMHA residential players are eligible to try out and participate with any AAA team within the OMHA. Players leaving the OMHA to play AAA with another Member's AAA program must follow the current OHF Waiver Regulations
 - c) At the end of each season all AAA players on OMHA teams are automatically released and must return to try out in the subsequent season in accordance with 3.5 b) i) a. and b.
 - d) There are no restrictions on the number of non-residential OMHA players that an OMHA AAA team may carry in a given season.
- ii) The current LOR Regulations for AA and A remain in effect.

- iii) Players from an Association that is unable to roster a team in a season may try out in the next nearest Centre per OMHA Regulation 3.5 a)

RATIONALE

Promote consistency across OMHA AAA programming.

To ensure alignment of AAA programming with the Long Term Player Development (LTPD) pathway.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-12

Amendment To: Regulation - Exemption to Play in Another Centre
Regulation No.: 3.5 c) iv) Page#: 97
Submitted By: New Hamburg Minor Hockey Association
Signatures: Dave Mark/ Alex Davidson

CURRENT WORDING

- iv) Maximum number of rostered "Non Resident Players" (NRP) is three (3) per eligible team. Once a team has rostered an NRP then NO replacement NRP will be permitted.

PROPOSED WORDING

- iv) Maximum number of rostered "Non Resident Players" (NRP) is three (3) per eligible team. Once a team has rostered an NRP then NO replacement NRP will be permitted.

Exception: If a player rostered as an NRP subsequently becomes eligible to play for the rostering team in accordance with OMHA Regulation 3.5.a.ii due to the NRP's home Centre not being able to provide a representative team for which the player is eligible by age and residency, the NRP status will no longer apply to that player. This player will be eligible to play for the rostering team in accordance with OMHA Regulation 3.5.a.ii and the rostering Centre may choose another NRP to replace that NRP.

RATIONALE

OMHA Regulations 3.5.a.ii and 3.5.c.iv are potentially contradictory. When a Centre cannot provide a representative team for a player, OMHA Regulation 3.5.a.ii allows the player to try-out for the representative team at the next nearest Centre to the player's residence. It does not make sense that a player eligible to play for a Centre by residency be identified as a Non Resident player.

A purpose of the NRP program is for players to play with other players with similar skill sets; however, the limit of three (3) NRP's per team can limit the success of achieving this goal. If a

team chooses an NRP that subsequently becomes eligible to play for the rostering team by residency it should open up an opportunity for another player to play on a team with a skill set similar to their own. Allowing a replacement for that NRP goes toward achieving this goal.

Similarly, limiting the opportunity for players to play up on teams with other players with skill sets similar to their own can result in a particular player or players dominating the games they play in. In this situation, it is probable that no players on the team are developing their hockey skills over the course of the season. It is also highly probable that the less skilled players on the team and their opponent's team are not having fun. Allowing for the replacement NRP will help to mitigate these unwanted situations.

Also, due to logistics of ice time and rostering teams prior to the commencement of league play, many teams host try-outs in the spring. OMHA Regulation 3.5.d.x requires teams to offer the player an opportunity to sign a letter of commitment within 14 days of the commencement of the team's tryouts. Hence NRP decisions for these teams are made in the spring; however, decisions to not provide a representative team at a particular age group are often not made until the fall. This results in not all player information being available until after decisions about NRP's are made. It makes sense that teams be provided an opportunity to make adjustments as information becomes available. It follows then that allowing NRP's that become eligible to the team by OMHA Regulation 3.5.a.ii to be replaced with another player with NRP status makes sense.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-13

Amendment To: Regulation - Exemption to Play in Another Centre
Regulation No.: 3.5 c) vi) Page#: 97
Submitted By: OMHA Board
Signatures: Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf

CURRENT WORDING

3.5 c) vi) **Player Movement from Specific Base Categories**

1. A player from an OMHA BB base category Centre and below may try out for:
 - (a) AAA Zone as per the current regulations.
 - (b) one (1) AA team in a AAA or AA base category Centre nearest to his residence, or;
one (1) A team in an A base category Centre nearest to his residence, and;
 - (c) Home Centre.
2. A player from an OMHA **A base category Centre** may try out for:
 - (a) AAA Zone as per the current regulations.
 - (b) one (1) AA team in an OMHA AAA or AA base category Centre nearest his residence,
and;
 - (c) Home Centre.
3. A player from an OMHA **AA base category Centre without A programming** may try out for:
 - (a) AAA Zone as per the current regulations.
 - (b) Home Centre.
 - (c) if a player's AA Home Centre does not offer A programming the player, after trying out for his Home AA team, may try out for one (1) OMHA A base category Centre nearest to his residence.
4. A player from an OMHA **AA base category Centre with A programming** may try out for:
 - (a) AAA Zone as per the current regulations.
 - (b) Home Centre.

PROPOSED WORDING

3.5 c) vi) **Player Movement from Specific Base Categories**

1. A player from an OMHA BB base category Centre and below may try out for:
 - (a) AAA Zone as per the current regulations.
 - (b) one (1) AA team in a AAA or AA base category Centre ~~nearest to his residence~~, or;

- one (1) A team in an A base category Centre ~~nearest to his residence~~, and;
(c) Home Centre.
2. A player from an OMHA **A base category Centre** may try out for:
(a) AAA Zone as per the current regulations.
(b) one (1) AA team in an OMHA AAA or AA base category Centre ~~nearest his residence~~, and;
(c) Home Centre.
3. A player from an OMHA **AA base category Centre without A programming** may try out for:
(a) AAA Zone as per the current regulations.
(b) Home Centre.
(c) if a player's AA Home Centre does not offer A programming the player, after trying out for his Home AA team, may try out for one (1) OMHA A base category Centre ~~nearest to his residence~~.
4. A player from an OMHA **AA base category Centre with A programming** may try out for:
(a) AAA Zone as per the current regulations.
(b) Home Centre.

RATIONALE

Simplify the administration of the regulation.

Note: If this Motion is passed, any reference to nearest residence in section 3.5 d) will be amended and 3.5 d) v) will be deleted.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-14

Amendment To: Regulation - Exemption to Play in Another Centre
Regulation No.: 3.5 c) vi) (NEW) Page#: 97-100
Submitted By: OMHA Board
Signatures: Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf

CURRENT WORDING

None: NEW

vi) **Player Movement from Specific Base Categories**

5) None New

d) **Process for Attending Tryouts**

e) **None: NEW**

PROPOSED WORDING

vi)

5. When a player's home centre is base category AAA, AA or A, after fulfilling all tryout commitments at his home centre, a player may tryout for (1) OMHA BB or below base category centre. To be eligible the player is required to be the Minor Peewee age (eleven (11) years old) or older as of December 31st of the current playing season; OMHA Regulation 3.6 is Not applicable. Maximum number of rostered "Non Resident Players" (NRP) is three (3) per eligible team. Once a team has rostered an NRP then NO replacement NRP will be permitted.

d) **Process for Attending Tryouts-AA and A**

NEW:

e) **Process for Attending Tryouts-BB and below**

- i) As per current Regulations no tryouts or on or off-ice activities directly or indirectly (including skating parties, conditioning camps, refresher programs, etc.) may be conducted prior to the completion of the OHF Minor Hockey Championships. (OHF Regulation G).
- ii) Eligible players, upon pre-registration with their Home Centre for the upcoming season, must request a Non Resident Player (NRP) Passport to be eligible for the

process/tryout. The Home Centre verifies that the player is eligible by age/residence for their Home Centre and authorizes the NRP Passport.

- iii) If the player attends his Home AAA Zone tryouts and is not offered a roster position he may then exercise the option to attend tryouts at a Centre as outlined under OMHA Regulation 3.5c) Additional Method of Player Movement for Non Residential Players and/or request an OHF AAA Waiver per current Regulations.
- iv) If the player chooses to exercise his option to try out for a BB or below Centre as per OMHA Regulation 3.5c) Additional Method of Player Movement for Non Residential Players, that AA or A Centre must validate the player's attendance at tryouts on the NRP Passport.
- v) If the player is not offered a roster position at his chosen option of BB or below base category team he **MUST** return to his Home Centre.
- vi) If the player is offered a roster position at his chosen option of BB or below he **MUST** return to his Home Centre at the end of each season. (Permission is for one (1)season only).
- vii) The NRP Passport is retained by the Centre/Team for which the player rosters and **MUST** be uploaded to the player's profile.
- viii) The BB or below Centre/Team with which the player rosters **MUST** notify the Home Centre by October 31st of the current season.
- ix) A team must offer a player the opportunity to sign a "Letter of Commitment" for the current season within fourteen (14) days of the commencement of the team's tryouts or October 31st, whichever is earlier.
- x) No player may be signed as a NRP after October 31st of the current season.
- xi) A team cannot release a signed player after November 15th, without the agreement of his Home Centre, in writing. Any such release shall be to the player's Home Centre only.
- xii) A player requesting his release back to the Home Centre must do so, in writing, to the Rostering Centre and the Home Centre.
- xiii) There will be no movement of players after December 1st unless agreed by the player's parents, the Rostering Centre and the Home Centre, in writing.
- xiv) Player Movement and the process will be reviewed yearly.

RATIONALE

To allow for player movement from A and AA Centres to BB and below Centres once players have fulfilled their tryout commitments in their home centre. This Notice of Motion was brought forward by the OMHA NRP Ad Hoc Committee established, in response to the Membership's concerns, to review and evaluate Non-Resident Player movement.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-15

Amendment To: Regulation – Rostered Select Teams (Tyke through Juvenile)
Regulation No.: 4.4 f) Page#: 107-8
Submitted By: Church Athletic League - Kingston
Signatures: Pat Murphy/Scott Trueman

CURRENT WORDING

- f) The number of exhibition games allowed is three (3) per month and the number of tournaments allowed is three (3) per season. Any adjustments or amendments in excess of these numbers must be approved in writing by the Regional Director or OMHA appointed Convenor.

PROPOSED WORDING

- f) The number of exhibition games allowed is four (4) per month and the number of tournaments allowed is three (3) per season. Any adjustments or amendments in excess of these numbers must be approved in writing by the Regional Director or OMHA appointed Convenor

RATIONALE

There is an increasing demand in many Centres for their Roster Select Teams to be able to participate in more Exhibition Games each month to further enhance their player development. This will allow the players/teams to exercise the skills they are being taught in practices on a more consistent basis. Providing additional opportunities for skill development within a Centre promotes the Long Term Player Development goals & objectives. Additionally, it will in fact reduce costs associated with 3rd party contractors filling Player Development voids. This change will address the needs of each/most Centre's respective membership. Roster Select is the single biggest Development Tool for players moving up to Representative Programming.

RESULT: ☐ Carried ☐ Carried as amended ☐ Defeated

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-16

Amendment To:	Regulation – Team Officials	
Regulation No.:	6.1 a)	Page#: 112
Submitted By:	OMHA Board	
Signatures:	Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf	

CURRENT WORDING

6.1 Games/Responsibilities

a) The coach in charge of any team must, before any game, PRINT AND SIGN his name on the official game report in the spaces provided for the head coach and he shall be regarded as the responsible officer of the team for that game. The individual will assume responsibility to the OMHA for the eligibility of all players of the team in that game, and for the conduct of their team officials and players during the game, and while traveling to and from that game. FAILURE TO PRINT AND SIGN HIS NAME ON THE OFFICIAL GAME REPORT SHALL RESULT IN AN AUTOMATIC TWO (2) GAME SUSPENSION TO THE PERSON(S) FAILING TO DO SO.

PROPOSED WORDING

6.1 Games/Responsibilities

a) The coach in charge of any team must, before any game, **PLACE their name and SIGNATURE** on the official game report in the spaces provided for the head coach and he shall be regarded as the responsible officer of the team for that game. The individual will assume responsibility to the OMHA for the eligibility of all players of the team in that game, and for the conduct of their team officials and players during the game, and while traveling to and from that game. FAILURE **TO PLACE THEIR NAME AND SIGNATURE** ON THE OFFICIAL GAME REPORT SHALL RESULT IN AN AUTOMATIC TWO (2) GAME SUSPENSION TO THE PERSON(S) FAILING TO DO SO.

RATIONALE

To be consistent with 6.1 (d)(iv).

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-17

Amendment To: Regulation – Team Officials
Regulation No.: 6.1 d) iii) Page#: 113
Submitted By: Caledonia and District (CDMHA) Minor Hockey Association
Signatures: Jamie McMaster/ Traciann Fisher

CURRENT WORDING

6.1 d) iii) Every OMHA team registered on an electronic roster must have on the bench at the start of and during the game (unless ejected from the game) a certified and registered coach and a certified and registered trainer. In addition, other qualified and registered officials of that team may sign the game sheet and be on the bench at the start of and during the game. There shall be no more than five (5) team officials signed to the official game report and on the bench during the game.

PROPOSED WORDING

6.1 d) iii) Every OMHA team registered on an electronic roster must have on the bench at the start of and during the game (unless ejected from the game) a certified and registered coach and a certified and registered trainer, **as well as 1 other bench staff being a certified and registered coach or trainer, at the Novice, Atom and Peewee levels.** In addition, other qualified and registered officials of that team may sign the game sheet and be on the bench at the start of and during the game. There shall be no more than five (5) team officials signed to the official game report and on the bench during the game.

RATIONALE

This is becoming a player safety issue, as well as a Risk Management issue for some Associations. At the younger levels, players are more prone to accidental collisions, trips and falls into the boards. They are also more likely to not be able to verbalize a suspected injury, be it a sprain, break or possible concussion. A mandatory 3rd official at these lower levels would be able to focus completely on the injured player while the other 2 members of the staff can focus solely on the remainder of the game, knowing that the player is getting

the level of attention that is deserved.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: **2017-18**

Amendment To: Regulation – Team Officials
Regulation No.: 6.1 e)
Submitted By: OMHA Board
Signatures: Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf

Page#: 113

CURRENT WORDING

6.1 e) A person may be electronically registered to a maximum of two (2) teams. Said person will be electronically registered for two different teams

PROPOSED WORDING

6.1 e) A person may be electronically registered to a maximum of two (2) **different** teams **only**.

RATIONALE

No change in intent to this regulation, just clarifying wording.

RESULT: ☐ Carried ☐ Carried as amended ☐ Defeated

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-19

Amendment To: Regulation – Suspensions
Regulation No.: 8.1 f)
Submitted By: OMHA Board
Signatures: Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf

Page#: 121-2

CURRENT WORDING

- 8.1 f) The coach of any OMHA team whose team accumulates more than the allowable minutes in penalties in any game shall be automatically suspended from the next game per section 8.2 Serving Suspensions. The allowable amount for Peewee and below is 26 minutes and for Minor Bantam and above is 36 minutes. (Including penalties in minutes assessed in any or all overtime periods).

Note: For the purpose of the Regulation the time of misconducts, gross misconducts and game misconducts assessed to players shall not be counted, but any such penalties assessed to team officials and the five (5) minutes charged to a player for a match penalty shall be counted. Any misconduct, game misconduct or gross misconduct penalty assessed to team officials will automatically add ten (10) minutes to the team's penalty minutes in each case.

PROPOSED WORDING

- 8.1 f) The coach **or in the absence of the Head Coach, the Coach in Charge**, of any OMHA team whose team accumulates more than the allowable minutes in penalties in any game shall be automatically suspended from the next game per section 8.2 Serving Suspensions. The allowable amount for Peewee and below is 26 minutes and for Minor Bantam and above is 36 minutes. (Including penalties in minutes assessed in any or all overtime periods).

Note: For the purpose of the Regulation the time of misconducts, gross misconducts and game misconducts assessed to players shall not be counted, but any such penalties assessed to team officials and the five (5) minutes charged to a player for a match penalty shall be counted. Any misconduct, game misconduct or gross misconduct penalty assessed to team officials will automatically add ten (10) minutes to the team's penalty minutes in each case.

RATIONALE

Clarifying that the coach in charge of the game will serve a suspension, if assessed, due to exceeding the allowable penalty minutes.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-20

Amendment To:	Regulation – Playdowns	
Regulation No.:	13.1 d)	Page#: 131
Submitted By:	OMHA Board	
Signatures:	Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf	

CURRENT WORDING

13.1 d) A team which does not wish to enter Playdowns must indicate such intent prior to the OMHA category meeting.

PROPOSED WORDING

13.1 d) A team which does not wish to enter Playdowns must indicate such intent to their Regional Director prior to December 1st.

RATIONALE

Clarifying the date and to whom a team must indicate their intent to withdraw from the OMHA playdowns.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-21

Amendment To: Regulation – Protests
Regulation No.: 15.1
Submitted By: OMHA Board
Signatures: Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf

Page#: 137

CURRENT WORDING

15.1 Process and Fees

- a) All protest and evidence in support thereof must be filed in accordance with Protest Policies and Procedures.
- b) The protest fee shall be \$200 and the defense \$100.
- c) A non-refundable fee of \$50.00 shall be retained by the OMHA should a Protest be withdrawn prior to its being heard by the Protest Committee. The Protest Committee shall have the power to recommend a refund of all or part of the fees.
- d) The decision of the Protest Committee is final and binding.
- e) An OMHA Board Member shall not vote on any protest involving any club or team from his home community.

PROPOSED WORDING

15.1 Process and Fees

- a) All protest and evidence in support thereof must be filed in accordance with Protest Policies and Procedures.
- b) The protest fee shall be **\$300.00**.
- c) A non-refundable fee of **\$100.00** shall be retained by the OMHA should a Protest be withdrawn prior to its being heard by the Protest Committee. The Protest Committee shall have the power to recommend a refund of all or part of the fees.
- d) The decision of the Protest Committee is final and binding.
- e) An OMHA Board Member shall not vote on any protest involving any club or team from his home community.

RATIONALE

Protest fee increased; elimination of the defense fee; increasing the non-refundable portion of the fee. A team should not have to put forth funds to defend something they have no control over.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-22

Amendment To: Regulation – Appeals
Regulation No.: 16.1
Submitted By: OMHA Board
Signatures: Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf

Page#: 137-8

CURRENT WORDING

16.1 Type and Cost

- a) Any matter which is appealed to the OMHA Appeal Committee or Board in writing must be accompanied by a fee of \$250.00.
- b) Any matter which is appealed to the OMHA Appeal Committee or Board and is to be presented in person shall be subject to a fee of \$350.00.
- c) Any Matter which is submitted to the OMHA Appeal Committee or board but is withdrawn at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the scheduled appeal date, the appeal fee less \$50 administration fee will be refunded.

PROPOSED WORDING

16.1 Type and Cost

Any matter which is appealed to the OMHA Appeal Committee or Board and is to be presented in person shall be subject to a fee of **\$400.00**.

RATIONALE

Written appeals do not provide enough information, and often families end up appealing twice. The intent is to provide a fairer and more economic process for our membership.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES:

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-23

Amendment To: Regulation – Game Officials
Regulation No.: 18.1 h)
Submitted By: Church Athletic League - Kingston
Signatures: Pat Murphy/Scott Trueman

Page#: 142

CURRENT WORDING

18.1 h) **A Certified Official is one who**

- i) has received a minimum of two (2) Supervisions that are satisfactory to the Supervisor, and
- ii) has been recommended for Certification.

PROPOSED WORDING

18.1 h) **A Certified Official is one who**

- i) has received a minimum of two (2) Supervisions that are satisfactory to the Supervisor, and
- ii) has been recommended for Certification,
or
- iii) has been a registered level two official for four (4) consecutive years (with the OMHA), and
- iv) has received a minimum of four (4) Supervisions that are satisfactory to the Supervisor.
 - a. {Sub. iii) & iv) apply to Certification at Level 2 only}

RATIONALE

Each year, for at least the past five (5) years, some seven hundred (700) HCOP officials leave/quit the OMHA referee program. Each year there are some seven hundred (700) new officials who enter the OMHA referee program through clinics and the OMHA Referee Schools. Much of the exodus can be attributed to a lack of development opportunities which are required for their skill development and their confidence to officiate at higher levels of minor hockey. This change will provide a path to certification through the retention of officials in the program. The four (4) consecutive years equates to officials who will be at a minimum of 20

years of age, and for those officials who entered the program at age 14, will have been officials for six (6) years. Personnel involved with the OMHA Referee Program are acutely aware that retention of officials is an ongoing concern.

Below is an excerpt from the Technical Director – Referees Podcast on 17 Dec. 2015

One of the biggest challenges we do have is retention at the younger levels. For various reasons, whether they go to school, whether they get a job, whether they move out of the community. We're trying to find ways to keep that retention up."

This will go a long way to begin the process of retaining officials and stem the tide of officials leaving/quitting the referee program.

Maintaining the status quo is no longer an acceptable path forward.

Currently Certification can only be achieved in Representative Games (contrary to the Manual of Operations and the OMHA HCOP Referee Policy), suggesting that if an Official is not yet accomplished in a Representative Game, they are "not good enough" to Referee in a House League/Local League Game. In reality, the best Officials are developed in House League/Local League Programming, providing each with the tools to advance to higher levels of hockey.

This is one small step forward to retaining officials, and as one might expect, the longer they officiate, the better they get. This change/clarification will ensure that the Regulations and Policies are clear and will be followed.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion #: 2017-24

Amendment To: Regulation – Tournaments
Regulation No.: 19.1 c) ii)
Submitted By: OMHA Board
Signatures: Dave Garinger/Linda Ralf

Page#: 146

CURRENT WORDING

- 19.1 c) All tournament applications must be received in the OMHA office no later than forty-five (45) days prior to the date(s) of the tournament. Applications for all tournament permits must be submitted for approval to:
- i) the OMHA Executive Director by October 31st of the season in which the tournament is to be played.
 - ii) the Tournament Committee, if after October 31st.

PROPOSED WORDING

- 19.1 c) All tournament applications must be submitted for approval to the OMHA office no later than sixty (60) days prior to the date(s) of the tournament.

RATIONALE

To streamline the application process for a tournament sanction permit.

RESULT: ☐ *Carried* ☐ *Carried as amended* ☐ *Defeated*

DISCUSSION / NOTES: