

AMATEUR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION ILLINOIS, Inc.

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through Athletic and Academic excellence."*

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To all Presidents, Registrars and Hockey Directors,

With the varying level of play across the US, it has created situations where there are teams looking to fill rosters for games and contacting Illinois players to fill those spots for game(s). Your players may be contacted by Tier I or II Youth or Girls organizations outside of IL asking to play in showcases, tournaments, or other forms of games. If the games are USA Hockey Sanctioned, they require USA Hockey Certified rosters including all participating players and coaches.

If any of the Illinois players participate in any sort of USAH Sanctioned game with an affiliate in another state, they jeopardize their status in Illinois. If they play with any other team on their USAH certified roster, they may not return to their Illinois team.

To clarify the definition of a game, it is a contest between 2 separate rostered teams that uses one or more officials, is played under USAH Rules and Regulations and a time clock is used regardless of the length of periods. This includes league, tournament, showcase, scrimmage, practice, "friendlies". All USAH/AHAI Sanctioned games require both teams have an official USAH roster. If independent teams are formed to play in non-USA Hockey sanctioned events, AHAI has no governance in those situations and the statements below do not apply.

If you are aware of your players participated with non-IL teams in USAH Sanctioned games inside or outside of Illinois, please contact us with the specifics. We will give any participation prior to today's date an exception so as not to punish families that may have been told inaccurate information. Participation going forward as of today's date, 9/28, 2020, will result in your player being restricted from returning to your team for the remainder of the season.

It is critical that you inform your families of this restriction. Going forward, if we are made aware of an IL registered players participating with another USAH registered team, we will need to have your organization remove the player from your team and they may not return for the remainder of the fall season.

Also, any USAH sanctioned games will count toward total game and out of tier play rules

All USAH Sanctioned games will count toward the following current rules retroactively and in the future for the 2020/21 season

Game counts: 1.3

Out of Tier Game limits: 1.2.5.1, 1.2.5.2, 1.2.5.3

National, District and State game count qualifications we be evaluated at a later date.

*Keri Zschach
Presidents Counsel Chair*



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