



Dear Hockey Booster Members

The 2025-2026 hockey season is right around the corner and I would like to wish a warm welcome on behalf of our Board of Directors to our returning families, as well as all new families, not only to our program but also to our wonderful community. We will do everything we can to ensure you and your family have a fun, challenging and meaningful season with us. Our goal at MHB is to create a fun and rewarding experience for the entire membership, both on and off the ice.

Our program puts an emphasis on fundamentals, participation, development, teamwork, safety, family involvement and fun, all while developing an appreciation and love for the game of hockey. As a parent myself, I know what a thrill it is to see your child play for the first time and watch them grow and improve with every game and practice. These are memories that we all cherish and I am excited that you too will enjoy watching your child learn the game of hockey as a Minot Wolves member.

I would also like to stress the importance of becoming involved in your player's activities in a positive way. This can be done by volunteering your time to help your team and organization achieve their goals. Some of the ways to help your player and our organization is by volunteering in the concession stand and penalty box, and helping with tournaments. Help is also always appreciated at the pancake breakfast, auction, and wherever else it takes to make MHB a success.

Fundraising events like our annual pancake breakfast, golf tournament and everyone's favorite, the hockey auction, are crucial to keeping our costs as low as possible to keep hockey affordable for every family. All of these events have been a huge success in the past and are a great time for all involved. I would highly encourage you to check out the hockey auction for a night of food, fun and friends! If you have new ideas for the auction or if you would like to donate to the auction you can contact Sarah, Brian or Jared at the MHB office.

In closing, MHB would not exist without volunteers. It takes good people throughout the program to make MHB a success. Please consider becoming part of our wonderful TEAM and volunteer when and where you can. Lend a hand and get involved. Good Luck to all our players during the upcoming 2022-2023 hockey season and thank you to everyone for the continued support in making MHB a success! GO WOLVES!!

Chad Thompson
MHB President

MINOT WOLVES HOCKEY MISSION STATEMENT

To inspire teamwork, pride and life lessons in the lives of all of our members.

***The strength of the Pack is the Wolf.....
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MINOT HOCKEY BOOSTERS CODE OF CONDUCT

The following Code of Conduct principles (revised and enacted 03/17/2021) will be followed by and supported by all MHB participants. Any violation of the principals will be taken as prescribed for violations in the disciplinary action section of the MHB Handbook. This Code of Conduct is to be considered in effect for all MHB events or related activities including but not limited to home and away games, fundraising, tournaments, and all other events sponsored by and/or associated with MHB. Please refer to the Grievance Procedure within the MHB Handbook highlighting the 24-hour 'cool-off' period adopted by MHB to mitigate adverse emotional responses and/or hostile situations. Minot Hockey Booster participants will have a right to file an appeal with the Minot Hockey Booster Board of Directors less the disciplinary committee within 24 hours of notice of action. No other appeals will be considered.

The following Code of Conduct principals will be observed by all MHB participants:

- I will not force my child to participate in hockey and will make it fun for the child.
- I will encourage my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflict without resorting to hostility or violence. • I will teach my child that doing one's best is as important as winning so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of the game.
- I will make my child feel like a winner every time by offering praise for competing fairly and hard. • I will not ridicule or yell at my child for making mistakes or losing a game.

- I will remember that children learn by example and I will applaud good plays by both my child's teams and their opponents.
- I will not be critical of, or embarrass any player, including opposition players.
- I will not question the official's or coach's judgement or honesty in public.
- I recognize that coaches and officials are being developed in the same manner as players.
- I will respect and show appreciation for the volunteers providing their time for my child.
- I will leave the coaching to the coaching staff.
- I will encourage my child to play in a manner consistent with the team's strategy or game plan. • I will emphasize skill development and a serious approach to practices and explain how skill development will benefit my child.
- I will attempt to learn about the game of hockey (USA hockey rules, equipment, levels, skills, etc.) so that I may best support my child's development in the game.
- I will not throw objects of any kind on the ice, lean over and yell and/or pound on the glass in a negative manner. • I will communicate all of my concerns regarding inappropriate behavior to an MHB employee or active board member.
- I will not take concerns regarding the handling of the team or the coaching to the coach.
- I understand the benefits from participating in a team sport, the commitment and discipline and social skills learned and acquired.
- I will remember that my child plays hockey for their own enjoyment, not mine.
- I will be mindful that there is a balance between skill and development and winning during games and that coaches have discretion to determine what is best for the team at any given time.
- I understand that ice time is not guaranteed and that there are times when there is a need for discipline and time when the good of the team outweighs the balance in ice time for all.
- I will ensure that my child does not use performance enhancing drugs, illegal drugs, alcohol, and tobacco. • I will abide by the rulings of the officials, coaches, and league officials during and after the game. • I will ensure that my child attends all team events and is on time for all events.
- I agree to abide by the Grievance Policy and Procedures allowing a 24-hour 'cool-off' period.

¹ Date revised and enacted 03/17/2021. MHB participants include any child, coach, official, parent, legal guardian, family members, and fans.

MINOT HOCKEY BOOSTERS ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

It is the intention of the Minot Hockey Boosters (herein referred to as "MHB") to promote fair play and respect for all participants. The intent of this Zero Tolerance Policy is to ensure that everyone associated with the MHB program can look proudly and in a positive way at their experiences with MHB. It is expected that all parents and family members (including fans) of MHB participants read and understand the Zero Tolerance Policy and Code of Conduct. A parent and/or legal guardian of the MHB participant will be required to acknowledge the Zero Tolerance Policy and the Code of Conduct prior to the participant taking part in any MHB activity. By registering the participant, you are understanding, acknowledging and accepting the Zero Tolerance Policy. The registration constitutes as an agreement for both parents or legal guardians and/or additional family members to follow and abide by the Zero Tolerance Policy.

Zero Tolerance Policy²

The Minot Hockey Boosters has a Zero Tolerance Policy (revised and enacted 03/17/2021) pertaining to all MHB participants. If a MHB participant interferes with the rights of another person, the participant will face disciplinary action to be determined by the Discipline Committee. The following examples of interference of rights includes, but is not limited to:

1. Verbal abuse including profanity, vulgar language, and racial/ethnic slurs.
2. Social media posts reflecting negative, derogatory, or slandering comments towards the MHB organization and/or its participants.
3. Physical abuse.

4. Unsportsmanlike conduct.
5. Threats of any kind in any nature including intimidation and harassment.
6. Violation of the Code of Conduct.
7. Violation of the Grievance Policy.

Unsportsmanlike conduct by any MHB participant will be discussed in the Code of Conduct. Action for a violation of the Zero Tolerance Policy will be taken as prescribed for violations in the disciplinary action section of the MHB Handbook. The Zero Tolerance Policy is to be considered in effect for all MHB events or related activities including but not limited to home and away games, fundraising, tournaments, and all other events sponsored by and/or associated with MHB. Please refer to the Grievance Procedure within the MHB Handbook highlighting the 24-hour 'cool-off' period adopted by MHB to mitigate adverse emotional responses and/or hostile situations. Minot Hockey Booster participants will have a right to file an appeal with the Minot Hockey Booster Board of Directors less the disciplinary committee within 24 hours of notice of action. No other appeals will be considered.

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DISCIPLINARY ACTION

1st Incident of Violation of Discipline Policy:

Family members/Player/Coach will be warned of inappropriate action in writing. Greater penalties up to permanent removal from the program may be assessed depending upon the severity of the incident. In the case of parent involvement, the player may be assessed the suspension.

2nd Incident of Violation of Discipline Policy

Family members/Player/Coach will be warned of inappropriate action in writing. Person(s) involved in the incident will be assessed a minimum one week suspension of all ice activities. Greater penalties up to permanent removal from the program may be assessed depending upon the severity of the incident and the severity of the prior incident. In the case of parent involvement, the player may be assessed the suspension.

3rd Incident of Violation of Discipline Policy

Family members/Player/Coach will be warned of inappropriate action in writing. Immediate termination may be assessed against the player or coach from participating in the Minot Hockey Boosters Organization for the remainder of the season. Greater penalties up to permanent removal from the program may be assessed depending upon the severity of the incident, severity of prior

incidents. In the case of parent involvement, the player may be assessed the suspension.

For any criminal activities (theft, destructive vandalism, etc.):

- a) Criminal actions will be reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency and will be subject to their disciplinary actions.

The Board of Directors reserves the right to issue appropriate action for any other issue it considers detrimental to the program.

Disciplinary Actions as a Result of Penalties in Games:

(The player's coach may appeal any of the following actions to the Disciplinary Committee within one week of the incident.)

Player receiving a game misconduct:

First infraction - USA Hockey rules will apply

Second infraction - USA Hockey rules will apply and player is suspended from further play until he/she appears before the Disciplinary Committee with his/her parent(s) and is reinstated by the committee

Third infraction - USA Hockey rules will apply and player is suspended from further play until he/she appears before the Disciplinary Committee with his/her parent(s) and is reinstated by the committee

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State Match Penalty: Any player or coach receiving a match penalty will be responsible for ALL RELATED COSTS for the hearing before they will be able to participate in ANY games or practices.

***** Disciplinary actions will carry over from one season to the next season.***

GRIEVANCE POLICY

If you have a concern, complaint, or suggested change concerning an incident or anything associated with the Minot Hockey Booster Program (i.e. coaches, players, officials, etc):

- Allow 24 hours to pass before reporting the situation. In many cases, people will have issues that they feel very passionate about, and this passion can get out of hand when people react instantly to something they do not agree with. This requirement will allow people to think about possible solutions to the situation and be able to discuss them in a rational manner.
- Your concerns or complaints shall be directed in one of the following manners:
 - o Discuss the situation with the Program Director or Assistant Director o

Discuss the situation with one or more Board Members.

o Address your concerns in a signed letter addressed to the Board of Directors.

- All verbal or written discussions shall be done in a respectful manner in accordance to the Discipline Policy adopted by the organization.

Any violation of the Grievance Procedure will be considered a violation of the Discipline Policy and subjected to discipline action to be taken by the Discipline Committee.

Medical Release

If players are unable to participate in any team functions due to a medical reason, a release form from an appropriate health care provider will need to be turned in to both the program director and the head coach of the team before the player will be allowed to resume participation.

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To All Coaches, Assistants, and Officials

As coaches, assistants and officials are representatives of the Minot Hockey Boosters, our organization is judged by actions and behavior at all times - at home and away - both on the ice and off. The following points of consideration have been drawn up for the hockey coaches' philosophies and responsibilities.

All Board members, coaches (squirts and above), and coordinators are required to complete the safe sport certification.

Coaching Conduct

1. *All players on a travel team must be given equitable playing time throughout the season.*

Equitable playing time over the course of the season will be as equal as possible, not equal every game. The goal of the Minot Hockey Boosters is to give the knowledge of hockey and enjoyment of the sport to all that participate. All other programs will be equal playing time.

2. *Intimidation, excessive physical contact and striking of skaters will not be tolerated.*

3. *Cursing and profanity are not an acceptable practice. You are a role model for the players; they will imitate your behavior and attitude.*

4. *Work toward a positive attitude. Look for skills and achievements to compliment. Find words of praise for a player's improvements. Such positive reinforcement can be an effective coaching technique.*
5. *Attend coaches meetings. Coaches are required to attend all meetings.*
6. *Present your suggestions and comments, for an improved program to the Minot Hockey Booster's Program Director or board member.*
7. *Coaches must make every effort to attend all practices and games for their team. Please notify the MHB program director in a timely manner when you are not able to attend.*
8. *All coaches are required by USA Hockey to wear a HECC approved helmet during all on ice practices and scrimmages.*

Equipment

Equipment listed as mandatory (M), must be worn by all players for all practices and games. It is recommended that all protective equipment be designed specifically for ice hockey.

Minot Hockey Boosters rental equipment is to be used for regular season -on ice- Minot Hockey Boosters programs only. Summer rentals for camps will be considered. Please call the office for more information.

M = Mandatory R = Recommended

	Mite/Initiation	Squirt	PeeWee/Bantam/ Junior Gold/Girls
Athletic Supporter with cup	R	M	M
Elbow Pads	M	M	M
Helmet with Full Mask	M	M	M
Hockey Gloves/Hand Protection	M	M	M

Hockey Skates	M	M	M
Hockey Stick	M	M	M
Mouthpiece	R	R	M
Shoulder Pads	R	M	M
Pants with Protective Inserts	M	M	M
Shin Guards	M	M	M
Neck Guards	M	M	M

*****All Pee-Wee/12U and Up Player must have a Black Helmet*****

***** PeeWee/12U and older are required to purchases jerseys *****

Equipment Rental Policy for Travel Team goaltenders

In an attempt to not discourage participants from playing the goaltender position due to equipment expenses, the Minot Hockey Boosters will provide a goaltender equipment rental program. Goaltender equipment will be available for rent at the following levels of play, Girls 12U, PeeWee, Bantam and Jr. Gold. This policy does not mean that all goaltenders will get new equipment every season and the equipment will remain property of the Minot Hockey Boosters. The following guidelines will be followed.

- 1) The player and parent(s) will bring their existing goaltender equipment to the MHB office during office hours, or at a pre-arranged time.
- 2) The Program Director/Assistant Program Director will inspect the equipment for size/serviceability/overall condition.
- 3) Equipment not meeting the above criteria will be replaced by serviceable equipment from the MHB inventory.
- 4) If equipment is not available from the MHB inventory, the player will be given a rental form to take to Duffy's Hockey and Sports for the purchase of new equipment.
- 5) Additional information concerning price limitations, usage and responsibility will be spelled out on the rental form.

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Schedules

Games and practices are held both at MAYSA and All Season Arena. Schedules are on the Minot Hockey Boosters website (minothockey.com). The player's coach, assistant coach, or team parent will notify you of changes in the schedules.

Travel Team Coaches

Travel team coaches will be recommended by the program director and will be approved by the Minot Hockey Boosters Board of Directors. All travel team coaches must attain required USA

Hockey coach's level of certification for their required age group. Coaches will initiate on-ice decisions; this includes setting lines, practices and practice procedures, playing time for members, discipline and any other team decisions. Minot Hockey Boosters rules and guidelines apply to all travel team coaches. However, exceptions will be given to coaches on playing time for penalty killing, power plays, player injuries, league games, state tournaments, un-excused practice absence and disciplinary actions. All coaches will be required to attend monthly coaches meetings during the season as scheduled by the MHB program director

League Rules

1. Minot Hockey Boosters Leagues will follow the rules of **USA Hockey**, the **North Dakota Amateur Hockey Association (NDAHA)**, as well as those local rules listed below.

2. ***Penalties***

a. A two-minute minor penalty shall be assessed in a game using running time.

3. ***Equipment***

a. All players must have the equipment required for their age group to participate in either practice or games. If they do not have the equipment they will not be allowed to participate. These rules are to be enforced by coaches, coordinator, referees, and the league commissioners.

4. ***Use or possession of alcohol, drugs, or tobacco:***

a. Use or possession of tobacco or alcohol and illegal use or possession of narcotics or habit-forming drugs is prohibited. Violation of this regulation at a Minot Hockey Boosters event will result in a six (6) week suspension for the first offense and an eighteen (18) week suspension for any subsequent offenses. The disciplinary committee has the authority to look back at the players MHB history for further disciplinary action.

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5. ***League Meetings:***

a. League meetings will be held at the beginning of the season prior to team selection, and as requested throughout the hockey season.

6. ***Practice:***

a. Because hockey is a team sport, it is required that players attend all practices, dryland, and coach required activities. If a player cannot attend a practice he/she should notify the coach of the absence 12 hours before practice.

7. Conduct:

- a. NDAHA conduct rules will apply to all travel team members. Disciplinary action will extend to the travel team members. We encourage the importance of academics.

8. Driving:

- a. All players must be transported to out of town games by a parent, coach, other team parent, legal guardian, or an individual that has been approved.
- b. Before a decision is made to cancel any out of town game you need to talk to the program director first. MHB recommends that you meet as a team and try to go. If weather/roads don't permit we can make a decision at that time. It is very difficult to reschedule games so please make every effort to go.

MHB BOARD MEETINGS

The Minot Hockey Booster board meetings are held 2x per month in the MHB office. 1x per month in the office season. The exact date and time will be posted on the MHB website. Visitors are welcome. If you would like to have something on the agenda, please call Sarah or a board member.

LOCAL TOURNAMENTS

The parents of the team (or teams) that are playing in the tournament are responsible for organizing and running the tournament. The Minot Hockey Boosters office will assist each team with support literature.

Tournament workers guideline sheet will be provided to the tournament director after team selections have been made.

If any family has not covered their required shifts, that player will not be allowed to play in the tournament.

If someone shows up late or is a no show for a shift(s), that family will be billed \$40 per shift and the player will not be allowed to play or practice until the bill has been paid in full. Parent coaches will be exempt from covering any tournament shifts.

OFFICIATING

Minot Hockey Boosters encourages our players and parents to go through the training necessary to become certified to referee. Minot Hockey Boosters will reimburse 100% of the required certification fee. We offer certification training for those interested in becoming certified. Watch our schedule of events for dates and times. If you are unhappy with a call please refrain from yelling at our referees, because we want them to return to our program every year. All officials will be required to wear a half shield at all times under USAH officiating rules.

Team Manager Guidelines

Each team must have a team manager.

Team managers will keep the following records: (one copy for parents and one for manager.)

- a. Consent to Treat Forms
- b. Team Player/Parent/Coach agreement

Team Manager:

1. Coordinate with parents to make sure the time clock, etc. are manned during games. 2. Coordinate with parents the assistance needed to man the time clock, penalty boxes, record statistics, etc. during games.
3. Serve as a liaison between MHB staff and parents as to what is needed to host scheduled tournaments. Examples of needs might be: team hosts, tickets sellers, time clock and penalty box personnel, personnel to obtain players favors, personnel to produce programs, etc.
4. Serve as a liaison between the MHB staff members and parents on fund-raising projects.
5. Upon the direction of the coaches, assist where needed.
6. Ensure that each parent completes a Consent to Treat Form. Ensure all completed forms are in their own possession (or another responsible person's possession) at every game. 7. Coordinate the booking of team rooms for out-of-town games. It is recommended that this be a high priority, as it can be difficult to obtain a block of rooms in some towns. 8. Coordinate among the parents if they desire to order the players and coaches a team item. Examples are: hats, sweatshirts, shirts, etc must be MHB approved merchandise. 9. Serve as liaison between parents and coaches, to ensure coaches are offered a ride to out-of-town games, and money for their out-of-town expenses. Examples for obtaining such money are: individual team fund-raising and/or requesting a dollar amount from players' parents at the start of the season.
13. Team manager will also keep funds for traveling expenses for coaches.

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- a. Hotel rooms: One hotel room for the non-parent coaches per night will be paid for by the team on all overnight trips. The coach is responsible for any incidentals charged to his/her room. A suggested fee that the team manager/parent should ask from their parents at the beginning of the season is between \$100.00 - \$150.00 to help cover the coach's expenses. Payment is due by the 1st game of the

- season unless arrangements are made to the team manager.
- b. The team manager should contact the Minot Hockey Booster Board concerning any parent that does not pay required fees.
 - c. Team managers along with the tournament director are responsible for organizing various aspects of their respective tournament.
 - d. Team managers are also responsible for the collecting and washing of the team's jerseys at the end of the season.
 - e. Team managers usually schedule caravan times and places to leave town. Suggestion: Collect cell phone numbers for out of town traveling.
 - f. Website - www.ndaha.org, league schedules, league standings, message board, and upcoming events.
 - g. The Minot Hockey Boosters pays for the allotted amount of tournaments. One local and up to two out of town tournaments.
 - h. Teams are responsible for paying each non parent coach meal per diem for out of town games of up to \$10.00/lunch and \$20.00/supper.
 - i. Teams are responsible for paying a mileage allowance based on the Program Directors mileage chart.

FUND-RAISING

It is mandatory that all families sell ten (10) pancake breakfast tickets. Fund-raising requirements this year are pancake tickets and Money Raffle tickets. Buy out for Maroon Mites will be \$10.00, (\$100.00 raffle plus \$70.00 pancake breakfast tickets = \$170.00.) Buy out for Gold/White Mites will be \$220.00, (\$150.00 raffle plus \$70.00 pancake breakfast tickets = \$220.00). Buy out for Squirts and above will be \$320.00 (\$250.00 raffle plus \$70.00 pancake breakfast tickets = \$320.00). It is also mandatory to participate in all fund-raisers the board deems necessary. All fund-raising money is due into the office no later than December 31, 2023. If not paid by this date the players will no longer be allowed on the ice.

CONCESSION STAND

It is mandatory that all families at the Squirt/10U Girl level and above must work four (3 ½ hour shifts) per family. It is mandatory that all families with a Gold/White Mite work three (3 ½ hour shifts) per family. It is mandatory that all families with only a Maroon Mite must work two (3 ½ hour shift) per family. If you wish not to volunteer for these shifts you may buy them out for the price of \$200.00 per shift. If you miss a scheduled shift without a 48 hours notification you will be

charged \$200.00 per shift, you will not be allowed to reschedule that shift. You must be at least 16 years of age to work the concession stand. If the buyout payment is not paid in full by the beginning of the following hockey season, the player will not be able to start until paid in full. All Fund-raising is by family. Not how many children you have in the program. Will go by the oldest

skater in the program (Captains not included).

TEAM FUND-RAISING

1. Teams must seek and receive permission of the Minot Hockey Boosters Board of Directors prior to starting any fund-raising activities
2. No items may be sold that conflict with established MHB or MAYSA Concessions. 3. Absolutely no items may be sold that contain the MHB logo without permission of the MHB Board of Directors.
4. Teams may do service oriented activities any time during the season (car washes, flower delivery, arena cleaning, snow shoveling, etc.).
5. 50% of all profits must be given to the Minot Hockey Boosters.
6. Gate admissions will only be allowed at our tournament.

Minot Hockey Boosters

League Birth Date Requirements

Learn to Play Birth date (Must be 4 years of age)

Mites Birth date from June 1, 2016 to May 31 2018

Squirts Birth date from June 1, 2014 to May 31, 2016

PeeWee Birth date from June 1, 2012 to May 31, 2014

Bantam Birth date from June 1, 2010 to May 31, 2012

Junior Gold (Must be in high school)

10U Girls Birth date from June 1, 2014 to May 31, 2016

12U Girls Birth date from June 1, 2012 to May 31, 2014

15U Girls Birth date from June 1, 2010 to May 31, 2012

All players will play within their age divisions unless determined by the program director and by the NDHA.

USA Hockey Insurance

All players in Maroon Mites and Up (including Captains) must register for USA Hockey Insurance each year.

LEARN TO PLAY HOCKEY

This program will introduce beginners to the game's basic skills. This is designed to make children's first contact with hockey a safe and positive experience. Our participants will become contributing members of a team effort, develop self-confidence, and experience a sense of achievement.

All players must have proper hockey equipment which includes: Helmets with facemask, skates, shin guard, elbow pads, and hockey pants. All equipment can be rented through the Minot Hockey Boosters. As they progress we will advance our teaching "one step at a time". Our goal is to build a solid foundation and "what children learn first, they learn best"!

The learn to play hockey group will have 10 on ice sessions.

MAROON MITES

This group falls under the USAH ADM Program for Development. The primary emphasis for this program is to promote fun, develop skills, and increase opportunities for athletes and to modify the playing environment to meet the needs for this age of athletes.

Practices will be shared with four teams. Games will be conducted cross ice with four skaters per side and no goaltenders.

It is necessary for a parent to serve as a team parent.

All teams will be selected by the Program Director and Asst. Program Director, using the skating evaluation results. The goal of this committee will be to have teams of equal numbers and equal abilities, to provide the best competition within league play.

GOLD MITES

This group falls under the USAH ADM Program for Development. The primary emphasis for this program is to promote fun, develop skills, and increase opportunities for athletes and to modify the playing environment to meet the needs for this age of athletes.

Practices will be shared with four teams. Games will be conducted half ice. Games will be played with four skaters per side and a goaltender if possible. Additional practices will be added for extra time when possible.

It is necessary for a parent to serve as a team parent.

All teams will be selected by the Program Director and Asst. Program Director, using the skating test results. The goal of this committee will be to have teams of equal numbers and equal abilities, to provide the best competition within league play.

WHITE MITES

The primary emphasis for this program is to promote fun, develop skills, and increase opportunities for athletes and to modify the playing environment to meet the needs for this age of athletes. This program was added in 2008.

Practices will be shared with four teams. Games will be half ice. Full ice games (with 2 teams combined) will possibly be played after February 1st under USAH/NDAHA guidelines for full ice Mite games. Half ice games will be played with four skaters and a goalie. Full ice games will be played with 5 skaters a side and a goalie if possible. Additional practices will be added for extra time when possible.

It is necessary for a parent to serve as a team parent.

All teams will be selected by the Program Director and Asst. Program Director, using the skating evaluation results. The goal of this committee will be to have teams of equal numbers and equal abilities, to provide the best competition within league play.

MITE PLAYER MOVE UP/ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Player movement will be done after the Fall Skating Evaluations or at the Program Directors and/or Asst. Program Directors discretion.

SQUIRTS

Emphasis in the Squirt league is placed on skating ability and basic hockey knowledge. Coaches should encourage their players to play at and learn all positions.

No player will be omitted from a team because of his/her parent's inability to meet the financial obligations of travel team participation. If you feel that you cannot meet your player's full share of the costs, please make arrangements with the Office Manager.

There will be one "A" team, one "B1" team and one or more "B" teams, depending on the number of skaters in the league. If there is more than one "B" team, players will be divided to make the teams as equally balanced as possible. Selection of teams will be made by a Selection Committee, Program Director, and Asst. Program Director. Selection will be made based on player skill evaluation and game play. If any portion of the tryout process will be missed, players must have Program Director approval. The total enrollment of players may alter the final number of players per team.

No body checking or boarding allowed, a 2-minute penalty will be assessed. An opposing player may be "ridden" off the puck. Referees will use their judgment in assessing penalties for checking. No

slap shots allowed. Two minute penalties may be assessed to players who are not wearing proper equipment as described by Minot Hockey Boosters. Players will not be allowed back on the ice until they have the proper equipment, and are using it.

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Line changes will be made on the fly or at breaks during the game. Goalies will wear full equipment.

Only USA Hockey certified coaches and players are allowed in the player box. Some additional practices may be held at outdoor rinks at the coaches or program directors discretion.

The rules of Minot Hockey Boosters and the Squirt league also apply to out-of-town trips. Remember, the Squirt players are representatives of Minot Hockey Boosters and the City of Minot.

It is mandatory that each Squirt team select a Team Manager.

PEEWEE TRAVEL TEAMS

PeeWee travel teams are under the jurisdiction of Minot Hockey Boosters. The purpose is to provide more uniformity between team schedules and practices.

No player will be omitted from a travel team because of his/her parent's inability to meet the financial obligations of travel team participation. If you feel that you cannot meet your player's full share of the costs, please make arrangements with the Office Manager.

There will be one "A" team of 11 and 12 year olds. There will also be one "B1" team and one or more "B" teams, depending on the number of skaters in the league. If there is more than one "B" team, players will be divided to make the teams as equally balanced as possible. Selection of travel teams will be made by a Selection Committee, Program Director, and Asst. Program Director. Selection will be made based on player attitude, skill evaluation and game play. If any portion of the tryout process will be missed, players must have Director approval. Selection notification procedure will be determined by coaches, Program Director, and Asst. Program Director. The total enrollment of players may alter the final number of players per team. League structure to be determined by NDHA.

All travel team players must purchase a team track suit (jacket and pants). This warm-up suit must be well cared for.

Travel players dress code will be as follows:

Home/Away Games: Players will be required to wear MHB warm-up suit.

Travel team Curfew: Coaches discretion

BANTAM TRAVEL TEAMS

The Bantam travel teams are under the jurisdiction of Minot Hockey Boosters. The purpose of this is to provide more uniformity between team schedules and practices.

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No player will be omitted from a travel team because of his/her parent's inability to meet the financial obligations of the travel team participation. If you feel that you cannot meet your player's full share of the cost, please make arrangements with the Office Manager.

There will be one "A" team of 13 and 14 year olds. There will also be one "B1" team and one or more "B" teams, depending on the number of skaters in the league. If there is more than one "B" team, players will be divided to make the teams as equally balanced as possible. Selection of travel teams will be made by a Selection Committee, Program Director, and Asst. Program Director. Selection will be made based on player skill evaluation and game play. If any portion of the tryout process will be missed, players must have Director approval. Selection notification procedure will be determined by coaches, Program director and Asst. Program Director. The total enrollment of players may alter the final number of players per team. It is MHB policy that each team will have approximately the same number of players per team. League structure to be determined by NDHA.

All travel team players must purchase a team track suit (jacket and pants). This warm-up suit must be well cared for

Travel players dress code will be as follows:

Home/Away Games: Players will be required to wear MHB warm-up suits. **Travel**

team Curfew: Coaches discretion

JUNIOR GOLD TRAVEL TEAMS

A player may not play if they are 18 prior to June 30th of the commencing year, except for a player who has not completed his/her eighth consecutive semester of High School.

No player will be omitted from a travel team because of his/her parents' inability to meet the financial obligation of travel team participation. If you feel that you cannot meet your player's full share of the costs, please make arrangements with the Office Manager.

All travel team players must purchase a team track suit (jacket and pants). This warm-up suit must be well cared for.

Junior Gold coaches will be allowed to have cuts at this level with approval of the program director.

Travel players dress code will be as follows:

Home/Away Games: Players will be required to wear MHB warm-up suit.

Travel team Curfew: Coaches discretion

GIRLS TRAVEL TEAMS

(AS NUMBERS PERMIT)

The Girls travel teams are under the jurisdiction of Minot Hockey. Boosters. The purpose of this is to provide uniformity between team schedules and practices.

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No player will be omitted from a travel team because of her parent's inability to meet financial obligations of the travel team participation. If you feel that you cannot meet your player's full share of the cost, please make arrangements with the Office Manager.

All teams will be selected by the Coaches, Program Director and Asst. Program Director. Travel teams will be divided into NDAHA league format at the discretion of the Program Director. League structure to be determined by NDHA.

All travel team players must purchase a team track suit (jacket and pants). This warm-up suit must be well cared for.

Travel players dress code will be as follows:

Home/Away Games: Players will be required to wear MHB warm-up suit.

Travel team Curfew: Coaches discretion

LOCKER ROOM POLICY

Only screened Adults will be permitted in youth locker rooms with permission from the coach. Under no circumstance will there be non-coach mothers allowed in the male locker rooms or non coach fathers in the female locker rooms. All USA hockey policies will also be followed. This policy will pertain to White Mite Travel and above.

CAPTAINS

Boys Captains is a preseason three-week hockey clinic for freshmen (9th grade) through seniors (12th grade). The main objectives of the clinic are to concentrate on team skills, skill development and scrimmage.

Girls Captains is a preseason three-week hockey clinic for 7th grade through seniors (12th grade). The main objectives of the clinic are to concentrate on team skills, skill development and scrimmage.

5 on 5

Spring and Fall 5 on 5 sessions are set up to be non competitive and fun.

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ICE ARENA

Minot Hockey Boosters supports the Minot Park Districts request that players are not dropped off no more than 60 minutes prior to practice unless otherwise stated by their coach.

Please supervise your children that are not on the ice at all times.