



**OWHA Team Bulletin – May 2011**  
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Welcome to the 2011-2012 hockey season!

**TEAM & PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION**

**ITSportsNet link is now available on OWHA Website [www.owha.on.ca](http://www.owha.on.ca)**

**INTENT to REGISTER (ITR) FORMS**

The **deadline date** for submission is **ASAP** but no later than August 31, 2011. Please verify and update association, contact and voter information. All teams registered in the 2010-2011 are set up in ITSportsNet in the ITR listings. Your association registrar must go on-line and set up teams for this season and submit for approval. New team numbers will be assigned as approved.

All teams & players must be registered and approved through the OWHA office prior to participation in any tournament, league game or exhibition game.

Please contact the OWHA Registrar, Pat Nicholls via email at [registrar@owha.on.ca](mailto:registrar@owha.on.ca) if you require assistance.

**TEAM NUMBERS**

2011-2012 OWHA team number is assigned on the ITR list that is posted on ITSportsNet. Please use this number on all correspondence pertaining to that team.

**Assigning of Team Numbers**

Teams (specific division & category) will retain the same number each season. (i.e. Your Midget “A” team # from 2010-2011 would be assigned to your 2011-12 Midget “A” team). Players & staff may change but the number remains with the team.

**INDEPENDENT TEAMS**

Each *INDEPENDENT TEAM* has been assigned a four-digit number that will remain the same each season even if the team changes divisions &/or categories. If a local program expands from one independent team to two or more teams, they will be assigned a new series of numbers upon approval from the OWHA Membership Committee.

**DIVISION**

A team must register according to the age of the oldest player, with the exception of Senior Rec and Masters, who must register according to the age of the youngest player.

**CATEGORY**

To be as ITR: Note: Please refer to OWHA Team Re-Categorization for detailed categorization information (OWHA Regulation One).

**RE-CATEGORIZED TEAMS** - Your team # will NOT change if your team is re-categorized during the season.

**OWHA DIVISIONS & CATEGORIES as of May 2011**

<b>NOVICE</b>	<b>ATOM</b>	<b>PEEWEE</b>	<b>BANTAM</b>	<b>MIDGET</b>	<b>INTERMEDIATE</b>	<b>SENIOR</b>
Novice A	Atom AA	Peewee AA	Bantam AA	Midget AA	Intermediate AA	Senior AAA
Novice B	Atom A	Peewee A	Bantam A	Midget A	Intermediate A	Senior AA
Novice C	Atom BB	Peewee BB	Bantam BB	Midget BB	Intermediate B	Senior A
Novice HL	Atom B	Peewee B	Bantam B	Midget B	Intermediate C	Senior BB
Novice DS	Atom C	Peewee C	Bantam C	Midget C	Intermediate HL	Senior B
	Atom HL	Peewee HL	Bantam HL	Midget HL	Intermediate DS	Senior C
	Atom DS	Peewee DS	Bantam DS	Midget DS		Senior HL

<b>SENIOR RECREATIONAL</b>	<b>MASTERS</b>	<b>SLEDGE</b>
Senior Rec Competitive		
Senior Rec House League		

## **PLAYER INFORMATION**

All information regarding the player must be completed on-line, including the full name, date of birth, address, phone, email. **All players' and a parent's/guardian's (for those players 18 and younger) signatures are required in order for the player to be considered registered with the Ontario Women's Hockey Association.** All required forms must be completed and submitted to the OWHA office, such as a release, Proof of Insurance form for FDP, Proof of Age (required for first time registrants only). **NOTE:** There are specific eligibility requirements and registration procedures for those players coming from another province or country. Please ensure approval from the OWHA Registrar prior to permitting participation in any activities including try-outs.

## **STAFF INFORMATION**

**All team staff listed on the roster will be deemed ON-ICE & ON-BENCH staff and be required to remit the participant registration/insurance fee.** Please note that only staff registered will be permitted on the bench (up to a maximum of five per game). Please list anyone who will be on the bench or on the ice at any time. Please complete all required information. The date of birth will default to Jan. 1, 1950, if not provided. **All staff must have a Speak Out! number and a satisfactory Valnerable Sector Search / Criminal Record Check.** Please enter all certification number and update any information as needed.

All OWHA teams (except Senior Recreational & Masters) **MUST** have registered, at least one coach, with a minimum certification of NCCP Coach Level. Atom, Novice, Hockey FUNdamentals and House League may have NCCP Coach Level or Hockey FUNdamentals.

All OWHA teams must have a registered trainer with a minimum of HTCP Level 1 certification present at all OWHA sanctioned events.

Participants (players and staff) are only required to pay Hockey Canada insurance once per session. If staff member(s) are registered elsewhere in Hockey Canada, please provide POI which must be sent to the OWHA office along with the signed roster and fees (**no later than December 31<sup>st</sup>**).

## **FEES**

The participant registration/insurance/affiliation fees for the 2011-2012 hockey season are:

<b>PARTICIPANT</b> registration fee (players & on-ice/on-bench staff).....	<b>\$47.50</b> per participant
<b>OWHA TEAM</b> registration fee.....	<b>\$25.00</b> per team

## **FEMALE DEVELOPMENT PLAYERS (FDP)**

The registration of Female Development Players (play both OWHA & minor (boys) hockey) in most cases remains the same as last season. Please refer to OWHA website for FDP form.

NOTE: The Greater Toronto Hockey League (GTHL) and Alliance will NOT permit girls to play both OWHA & GTHL/Alliance hockey.

## **HOCKEY FUNDAMENTALS PROGRAMME**

Hockey FUNdamentals Programmes will register on ITSportsNet. Fees remain the same: Programme Registration Fee - \$25.00, Participant Fee - \$32.50 (includes HOCKEY CANADA insurance) Programme/Participant registration deadline: **November 15. FUNdamentals registrants are only eligible for skills training and may not play games or tournaments.**

## **IMPORTANT NOTE - TAMPERING**

**It is very important to remember that, if a player did not play for your team last year, she may require approval, documentation and fees before she has any involvement with your team.** Depending on the specific situation, a player may require a permission to skate, release, transfer and related materials. It is the responsibility of the team management to know and follow all Regulations and Rules. If you are in doubt, please verify with your Regional Director or the OWHA Registrar.

**PLAYERS FROM OUTSIDE ONTARIO REQUIRE APPROVAL BEFORE THEY FIRST STEP ONTO THE ICE**

## UPDATES & EVENTS

**OWHA RESPECT SPEAK OUT POLICY – \*NEW\*** – Promoting positive behavior in the OWHA. This important document is posted on the OWHA website. Please review and adhere to the outlined policy.

### **MANDATORY HELMETS FOR COACHES / ON-ICE STAFF – Non compliance will result in suspension**

Reminder – Helmets are mandatory for all on-ice staff. *The OWHA Rule reads:*

All team officials participating in on-ice activities must wear a properly fastened CSA hockey approved helmet. Trainers or any other team officials attending an injured player are considered exempt from this Rule.

Note: Refer to OWHA minimum suspension guidelines. Note: In some cases tighter restrictions may apply.

### **CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS**

Many certification clinics - NCCP, HCOP, HTCP, Speak Out! & FUNDamentals (HCIP) are being scheduled. Please check the OWHA website at [www.owha.on.ca](http://www.owha.on.ca) for the latest listing.

**NOTE: ALL COACHES WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SENIOR RECREATIONAL & MASTERS REQUIRE SPEAK OUT / RESPECT IN SPORT CERTIFICATION**

**NOTE: SATISFACTORY VALNERABLE SECTOR SEARCH/CRIMINAL RECORD CHECKS ARE REQUIRED AS PER JOB DESCRIPTIONS**

**NOTE: APPROPRIATELY SCREENED, 2-DEEP, DRESSING ROOM MONITORS SHOULD BE FOLLOWED**

### **OWHA SANCTIONED TOURNAMENTS**

Please check the OWHA website for the up-to-date 2011-12 OWHA sanctioned tournament listing. Tournament Convenors are required to submit a Tournament Sanction Application form plus the sanction fee to the OWHA office for tournament approval. OWHA Tournament handbook updates will be available for pick up at the OWHA General Meeting.

### **OWHA GENERAL MEETING**

The 2011 OWHA General Meeting will be held on **Saturday, September 17, 2011**

Location: Mississauga – Stage West Hotel – West side of Dixie Rd just south of Hwy 401

### **OWHA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The 2012 Ontario Women's Hockey Association Annual General Meeting will be held on

May 12th, 2012 Location: Niagara Falls Area

### **2012 OWHA PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Intermediate TBA

All other Divisions April 13 - 15, 2012 Mississauga/Brampton/Vaughan/Etobicoke

### **2011 NATIONAL WOMEN'S U-18 CAMPIONSHIPS**

November 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Saguenay, Quebec

### **2012 ONTARIO WINTER GAMES**

Mar 5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Collingwood, Ontario

### **2012 ESSO NATIONALS**

Date: TBA, Charlottetown, PEI

### **2012 WOMEN'S WORLD HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS**

April 2012, Vermont, USA