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### **NDMH Policy for Eligibility to Roster in a Higher Division (Representative Teams)**

As per Ontario Minor Hockey Association (OMHA) Regulation 3.6, Eligibility to Play in a Higher Division, NDMH has developed this policy regarding players wishing to play in a higher division in representative hockey. This policy documents the required criteria for players interested in trying out for, and committing to a spot on an NDMH first entry representative team in the next higher division.

Note 1: NDMH does not permit players to roster on second entry, higher division teams.

Note 2: This policy does not alter the Affiliated Player Policy

Policy Statement:

Any player wishing to move up to the next higher division, first entry team may only do so if all of the following criteria are satisfied:

1. The player must have been rostered on the first entry NDMH representative team or a higher category team outside NDMH (AAA, AA, A, etc.) in the previous year.
2. The player must try out for their own age group in addition to the older age group. Tryout fees are to be paid for each team.
3. NDMH VP OMHA Affairs must receive a written request in hard-copy or email at least 48 hours prior to the first scheduled tryout of both age groups.
4. The team the player wants to bypass (proper team by age) has enough players to roster a competitive team without the player as deemed by the NDMH Executive.
5. The player must be undoubtedly rated by skill level as top three forward, top two defence or top goalie on the final roster of the higher division team submitted at the end of the tryout process. If there is credible dispute by the Head Coach of the bypassed team regarding the player's ranking on the higher division team roster, then placement will be determined by the NDMH Executive.
6. There are no obvious safety issues having this player playing on a higher division team as deemed by the NDMH Executive.
7. Each representative team may roster a maximum of two underage players.

NDMH executive reserves the right to temporarily amend, alter or remove the listed criteria in whole or in part, when deemed necessary.