



NAPANEE DISTRICT MINOR HOCKEY
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NDMH Policy for Eligibility to Roster a House League Player to a Higher Level - for Novice & Below (Starting in the 2018-2019 Season)

As per the Ontario Minor Hockey Association Novice and Below Implementation Guide, Novice aged players and below are eligible to play at the next higher level; if deemed able by using parameters identified by the Association or where registration numbers require. It is up to NDMH to establish criteria that players would be required to meet in order to play in the higher division.

Note 1: OMHA does not allow Tyke, Initiation or Pre-school aged players to affiliate with a higher level team

Note 2: OMHA does not allow Pre-school aged players to play in a higher division

Any Novice, Tyke or Initiation aged player wishing to move up to the next higher level may only do so if the following criteria are met:

- A written request (via email or paper) for player evaluation is submitted by the player's parent to the VP of House League (vphl@ndmha.ca), on or before September 30th of the current hockey season (October 4th for the year 2018)
- Player must attend 2 practices to be evaluated by a team of 3 selected evaluators (chosen by the Association's Head Coach on staff)
 - o Child must attend the practice times given by the Co-ordinator to be eligible for evaluation
- At least 2 of the 3 selected evaluators must believe the player:
 - o Has a skating/hockey skill level at or above the top 33rd percentile of all players at the higher level
 - o Be responsive and take direction from on-ice instructors (not a distraction to other skaters)

The decision of the 3 evaluators will be final – no appeals.

Number of players who can move up is limited to 20% of the total enrolment for the players correct age level, or based on current numbers for that higher division, for the season (whichever is lower). Typical team sizes are between 8 to 10 players.

- The 3 evaluators who performed the evaluations will determine who is moved up should more than this amount meet the above criteria

*For players moving up from Initiation to Tyke, the difference in registration cost will become due at that time. The full amount must be paid by the appropriate deadline for payment as per NDMH Policy.

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