



Oceanside Minor Hockey

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RESOLUTION #2016-001

2015/2016 Annual General Meeting

April 20th, 2016

SUBMITTED BY: Andrew Copley, OMHA President

OMHA POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL (Section 11: Team/Divisional Structure)

COMPOSITION OF COMPETITIVE TEAMS: (see also SECTION 18: EVALUATIONS)

All players registered with OMHA are eligible to try out for a Competitive Team subject to payment of tryout fees (as per current fee schedule) and age guidelines as established by the OMHA Executive Committee. The OMHA Executive will select the members of the player evaluating committee.

All players trying out will be issued a player number (on jersey) which they must keep for the duration of the evaluations as players will be evaluated by their numbers as opposed to by their names. The tryouts will be structured in such a manner so the players can demonstrate their skating, puck handling, team, and hockey skills through practice drills and game situations. Other things being evaluated are commitment, attitude and coachability. Coaches from various levels should be available to assist in the selection and evaluation process. Coaches and Evaluators must meet during the tryouts to review their observations and analysis of players. Use of some evaluators who have knowledge of the players is advised.

The selected coach of the team will perform the release of players during the "evaluation" phase. Sensitivity, respect and consideration to the self-image of the players should be foremost, therefore any player not selected to advance to the next round of cuts shall be informed by the coaching staff before attending subsequent ice sessions. The releasing of players will be done in an honest, straightforward and professional manner. This is not an easy procedure and must have a well thought out plan in place by the Coach prior to the evaluations. At no time will there be names posted or names read aloud. It is imperative that all players and their parents be informed of the process prior to the start of tryouts. There will be a Pre-Tryout meeting for players, parents and assistants to explain the above information. It is recommended that this information be written and handed out to anyone requesting it.

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Competitive Fees must be paid in full by December 15th or the player may not play. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

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If a registered player has indicated an intention of trying out for a competitive team, but is unable to attend OMHA's scheduled try outs due to an injury or an extenuating circumstance (as determined by the executive), the following guidelines will apply:



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1. The player must be cleared by a physician for a full return-to-play on or before October 15.
2. Upon full return-to-play, the player will be rostered to and spend a minimum of one week on a recreational team before being provided an opportunity to try out for the competitive team.
3. Once the player decides that he/she is ready, the parent will provide the head coach of the competitive team with a written request to schedule a try out. The try out is to take place no later than (14) days after receiving the written request.
4. The late try out will consist of the returning player attending one of the competitive team's practices where he/she will be evaluated against the rest of the team.
5. The evaluator will be appointed by the executive and will not be a team official and/or parent of a player on the competitive team.
6. If the evaluator determines that the player's skill and ability is in the top 50% of the existing team, the player will be added to the team roster.
7. As long as the roster does not exceed 17 skaters and 2 goalies and maintains a minimum of 15 skaters and 2 goalies, it will be at the sole discretion of the team's head coach as to whether they choose to carry an additional player or remove an existing player from their roster.

Should a situation arise which is thought to require an amendment/s to the guidelines above, it must first be reviewed and approved by the executive.

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Rationale Behind Resolution:

To address the issue of players not being able to attend competitive try outs due to injury or extenuating circumstances while ensuring a fair and reasonable process is outlined for all players involved.