
REGULATIONS FOR OHF MAJOR MIDGET AAA PILOT

DEFINITIONS

Major Midget AAA Pilot: the pilot is 16 and 17 year old players at the Major Midget AAA level. Fifteen year old players in Major Midget AAA are not eligible and must follow the existing OHF Regulation E.

Residential AAA Centre/Zone/Club: the AAA program that you are eligible to based on the place of the player's habitual residence in accordance with Hockey Canada F.1 to F5 and OHF E17 to E18.

Tampering: To communicate directly or indirectly with a player or a representative of a player (agent, parent etc.) about playing opportunities while the player is not eligible to register with your team.

LOR Perimeter Centres: Ajax/Pickering, Brampton, Markham, Oakville and Richmond Hill.

PLAYER MOVEMENT

1. Players are eligible to tryout and participate for any Major Midget AAA team in the Member Partner to which their residential AAA Centre/Zone/Club belongs.
2. In order to play for a Major Midget AAA team outside of the player's residential Member Partner the player requires a release from :¹
 - a. their residential home AAA Centre/Zone/Club; or
 - b. their residential home AAA Centre/Zone/Club Member Partner.

The method of release will be determined by the player's Member Partner.

3. Once a release is obtained the player may tryout for any team in the Ontario Hockey Federation at the Major Midget AAA level.
4. At the end of each season all players that were sixteen years old prior to December 31 of the season just completed may remain with the Major Midget AAA team they played for or are released to join another Major Midget AAA team in accordance with regulations 1-3.

NON-RESIDENTIAL PLAYERS

5. There is no OHF restriction on the number of non-residential players that a Major Midget AAA team may carry in a given season.
6. AAA Centre/Zone/Club may however be restricted on the number of non-residential players they are eligible to register by municipal regulations. To which the OHF has no control over.

¹ Players in Centre Wellington, Woolwich, Markham and Almaguin if they choose to play outside of their eligible Member Partners, they must obtain their release from the Member Partner which they were registered with the previous season in accordance with Regulation 2.

TRANSITION FROM MINOR MIDGET TO MIDGET

7. Players that played in an adjacent centre on a AAA Waiver during their Minor Midget year have the option to remain with the AAA Centre/Zone/Club they participated with during their Minor Midget or tryout in accordance with player movement regulations 1-3.
8. Players that played in the GTHL that are residents of the LOR Perimeter Center during their Minor Midget year have the option to continue to play in the GTHL during their Major Midget year(s) or tryout in accordance with player movement regulations 1-3.
9. Players that played in the OMHA LOR Perimeter Centres/Zones that are residents of the GTHL during their Minor Midget year have the option to continue to play in the OMHA LOR Perimeter Centres/Zones during their Major Midget year(s) or tryout in accordance with player movement regulations 1-3.

TRYOUTS

10. Tryouts or related on or off-ice activities may only be conducted prior to August 23, 2016 for players that were registered on a team the previous season that is residentially compliant to the AAA Centre/Zone/Club's residential jurisdiction. Lake Ontario Region as one residential zone is not applicable.
 - a. Player's that played the previous season outside of their residential AAA Centre/Zone/Club (either via AAA Waiver or LOR Regulations) have the option to return to their residential AAA Centre/Zone/Club and tryout prior to August 23, 2016. In the event a player chooses to return to his residential AAA Centre/Zone/Club the player must follow Regulations 1-3 to tryout for any team including the team from the previous season.
11. Teams may offer and a player may sign letter of commitments to players that are eligible under Regulation 10 prior to August 23, 2016, but players eligible under said regulation cannot be cut/released before this date.
12. Players may tryout with any team within their residential AAA Centre/Zone/Club Member Partner beginning August 23, 2016.
13. Players are not obligated to a team until they have signed the OHF Major Midget AAA Hockey Pilot Letter of Commitment.
14. Players have five days to accept an OHF Major Midget AAA Hockey Pilot Letter of Commitment before the team can issue another offer in its place.
15. Teams may offer an OHF Major Midget AAA Hockey Pilot Letter of Commitment to a maximum of 20 players at any one time.
16. Teams must make all OHF Major Midget AAA Hockey Pilot Letters of Commitment by personal service with a witness.

TAMPERING

17. Recruiting and tampering of players not eligible to your program is strictly prohibited. All allegations of tampering will be made to the OHF Registration Committee in accordance with OHF By-Law 6.
18. If a player not registered and eligible in accordance with Regulation 10 is on the ice prior to August 23 with a AAA Centre/Zone/Club not within his Member Partner the player would not be eligible to any team in that Member Partner, the team in violation would be fined \$2000 and the Head Coach of the team suspended for 15 league games.

19. If a player not registered and eligible in accordance with Regulation 10 is on the ice prior to August 23 with a AAA Center/Zone/Club within his Member Partner the player would not be eligible to that team, the team in violation would be fined \$2000 and the Head Coach of the team suspended for 15 league games.
20. In season Player releases will follow the OHF Major Midget AAA Pilot Release Policy. Teams are not obligated to provide a release in season if requested by the player.

IN SEASON RELEASE

21. During the OHF Major Midget AAA Pilot, teams may grant two types of Releases during the season:
 - a. Uncontested Release:
 - i. Where both the player and member club which he is registered with agree to the release or;
 - b. Contested Release (per incident):
 - i. Where the team of the registered player suspects tampering from the club the player wishes to play on, the team may issue a “contested” release. In this case the player must sit out the first five (5) League games upon signing and all games involving the two teams for the remainder of the year (regular season and playoff). The head coach of the team to which the player moves must also sit out the first five (5) League games upon signing. The team that acquires the player through a “contested release” must pay a \$750.00 development fee to the OHF.
22. A player that is released in season will be subject to the regulations 1-3 unless the player has already received his release from his residential AAA Centre/Zone/Club or Member Partner, in which case he can go to any Major Midget AAA program in the OHF.