



Policy Name: Registration to Multiple Teams		Date of Approval February 8, 2025	Effective Date: September 21, 2024
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Responsible Minor Committee	Accountable HNO Membership	Consulted	Informed Members, Associations

PREAMBLE

Effective July 1, 2018, Hockey Canada’s Regulations have changed and players not competing in regional or team’s championship (Hockey Canada Regulation M.3), can be registered to multiple teams in a season.

Hockey Northwestern Ontario needs to have a structure in place to manage this type of registration to protect the current by-laws, regulations and policies. The intent of this policy is to provide the framework for how multiple registrations will be permitted within Hockey Northwestern Ontario.

This policy does not impact on affiliation, it only deals with the ability to register the same player to multiple teams in a playing season.

APPLICATION OF POLICY

1. Divisions & Categories Not Permitted

- 1.1 Teams at the Junior A and AAA level will not be permitted to have players register to multiple teams in a playing season as per Hockey Canada Regulation M.3.
- 1.2 Junior B teams will not be permitted to have players registers to multiple teams in a playing season.
- 1.3 Bona Fide AA teams declared as per HNO Regulation C.3 (c) will not be permitted to have players register to multiple teams in a playing season.

2. Divisions & Categories Permitted

- 2.1 Teams at the A level of play or lower declared as per HNO Regulation C. 3 (d) will be permitted to have players register to multiple teams in the same association in a playing season.
- 2.2 Multiple registrations in different minor hockey associations within HNO will not be permitted. (exception: where an association has only one (1) registered team in an age division and is not



eligible to affiliate to another team, may use the Registration to Multiple Teams policy with the closest neighbouring Association).

- 2.3 Female players will still be permitted to register with an HNO Minor Hockey Association and an OWHA association within the same season.
- 2.4 Players eligible for multiple registration as per 2.1 of this policy must meet the age requirements defined by Hockey Canada for U9, U11, U13, U15, U18 or U21 hockey.
- 2.5 Players that are eligible for U7 hockey in the current season are not eligible for multiple registrations.
- 2.6 Minor Hockey Associations permitting players to register with multiple teams must ensure all HNO by-laws, regulations and policies are adhered to, and the registration does not violate or attempt to violate them.
- 2.7 Minor Hockey Associations may restrict this type of player movement within their association.
- 2.8 Hockey Canada Regulation E limits team composition to 20 players.