



Northern Ontario Hockey Association

Proposed Amendments of the

103rd Annual General Meeting

69th Annual Minor Meeting

Saturday, May 7, 2022





**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS OF THE
103rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
69th ANNUAL MINOR MEETING**



1. -SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

Presently Reads:

Change to Read:

To amend all references to he/she, him/her and make them gender neutral.

Rationale:

To amend all references to he/she, him/her and make them gender neutral.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

DISCUSSION/NOTES:



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2. –SUBMITTED BY THESSALON MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Presently Reads:

DISTRICT NUMBER THREE – SAULT STE MARIE: DUBREUILVILLE (Dubreuilville, Lochaish), NORTH CHANNEL (Bar River, Bruce Mines, Bruce Station, Desbarats, Echo Bay, Hilton Beach, Kentvale, Leebrun, Ophir, Poplar Dale, Richard’s Landing, Rydal Bank, St Joseph Island), SAULT STE. MARIE (Batchewana Bay, Garden River, Goulais River, Gros Caps, Havilland Bay, Heyden Lake, Montreal River, Pointe aux Pins, Sault Ste. Marie, Searchmont), THESSALON (Sowerby, Thessalon, Wharncliffe)

Change to Read:

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Rationale:

School numbers from Algoma District School Board have been collected, which shows that the current catchment area allows for North Channel to draw from 526 school aged children up to ages of Grade 6, while Thessalon can draw from 170. North Channel currently has over triple the amount of players to pull from compared to Thessalon.

The current arrangement is simply unfair and is a significant detriment to Thessalon MHA moving forward.

By approving this motion to amend, it would allow for a more equal distribution of potential players between North Channel and Thessalon. Fair is fair.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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3. -SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

By-Law 6.1.a.

Presently Reads:

The AGM shall be held annually on the first weekend in May of each year. The AGM shall be rotated annually to one of the Major Centres, unless an application to host the AGM is received by another Major Centre and the applying Major Centre is not in the same district as the previous year's host Major Centre. The order shall be as follows: Sudbury, Sault Ste. Marie, North Bay, and Timmins. Once the rotation is complete it shall recommence at the start of the cycle. The exact time and place for the AGM shall be determined by the Board for the purpose of doing business as set out in the agenda of such AGM.

Change to Read:

The AGM shall be held annually on the first weekend in May of each year **in North Bay**. ~~The AGM shall be rotated annually to one of the Major Centres, unless an application to host the AGM is received by another Major Centre and the applying Major Centre is not in the same district as the previous year's host Major Centre. The order shall be as follows: Sudbury, Sault Ste. Marie, North Bay, and Timmins. Once the rotation is complete it shall recommence at the start of the cycle.~~ The exact time and place for the AGM shall be determined by the Board for the purpose of doing business as set out in the agenda of such AGM.

Rationale:

The NOHA Annual General Meeting is a significant expense to the organization. Hosting the meeting in North Bay would save between \$2000.00 and \$6000.00 compared to the other locations. In addition, the NOHA has a partnership with the Best Western which lowers the accommodation costs for all attendees as well.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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4. -SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA By-Law 6.1.b.

Presently Reads:

There shall be an additional and separate AGM meeting for the Senior, Intermediate and Junior Teams on the Friday night of the AGM weekend. The Senior, Intermediate and Junior Teams shall prepare their own Agenda and handle any and all issues as they see fit and otherwise in accordance with the spirit and intent of the provisions of this By-Law.

Change to Read:

~~There shall be an additional and separate AGM meeting for the Senior, Intermediate and Junior Teams on the Friday night of the AGM weekend. The Senior, Intermediate and Junior Teams shall prepare their own Agenda and handle any and all issues as they see fit and otherwise in accordance with the spirit and intent of the provisions of this By Law.~~

Rationale:

The NOHA Board of Directors and NOJHL have ongoing communication during the season and meet when required. For the last number of years, there has not been a need to meet during the Annual General Meeting weekend.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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5. -SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA By-Law 16.5.

Presently Reads:

A motion to amend the By-laws recommended by the Board or proposed by a Member in Good Standing at an Annual General Meeting or at a Special Meeting of Members duly called for that purpose must be submitted to the Secretary of the NOHA by February 1st for the next Annual General Meeting and not less than forty-five (45) days prior to the date set for any Special Meeting of Members. The motion must be approved by a two thirds (2/3rds) majority vote of the Members present and voting at such an Annual General Meeting or Special Meeting of Members.

Change to Read:

A motion to amend the By-laws recommended by the Board or proposed by a Member in Good Standing at an Annual General Meeting or at a Special Meeting of Members duly called for that purpose must be submitted to the Secretary of the NOHA by ~~February 1st~~ **March 15th** for the next Annual General Meeting and not less than forty-five (45) days prior to the date set for any Special Meeting of Members. The motion must be approved by a two thirds (2/3rds) majority vote of the Members present and voting at such an Annual General Meeting or Special Meeting of Members.

Rationale:

To provide additional time for the NOHA, and for Member Associations, to submit proposed amendments. The February 1st date has created some logistical and timing challenges in reviewing the NOHA Constitution.



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6. -SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 1.1.1

Presently Reads:

Any member found guilty of forging a document shall be suspended for a period of not less than (1) one year and not more than three (3) years

Change to Read:

Any member found guilty of forging a document ~~shall~~ **may** be suspended for a period of not less than (1) one year and not more than three (3) years

Rationale:

To provide the flexibility for the NOHA Board of Directors to deal with these situations as they deem appropriate.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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7. -SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 2.1.a.

Presently Reads:

Two or more Associations and/or Single Entry Teams that form a new League and wish to have voting rights at the NOHA Annual General Meeting must submit the League Constitution, By-Laws and Regulations, a list of the Associations participating, the League Board of Directors, NOHA application for Leagues and their membership dues to the NOHA Office by August 15. They must also submit their schedule to their District Council Director for approval.

Change to Read:

~~Two~~ **Three (3)** or more Associations and/or Single Entry Teams that form a new League and wish to have voting rights at the NOHA Annual General Meeting must submit the League Constitution, By-Laws and Regulations, a list of the Associations participating, the League Board of Directors, NOHA application for Leagues and their membership dues to the NOHA Office by August 15. They must also submit their schedule to their District Council Director for approval.

Rationale:

Hockey Canada defines a League as having a minimum of three (3) Teams.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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8. -SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 2.2.b.

Presently Reads:

All Leagues of two or more Associations and/or Single Entry Teams that participate in a season schedule must provide to the NOHA their list of Board of Directors, contact information, League schedule and rules and regulations/constitution.

Change to Read:

All Leagues of ~~two~~ **three (3)** or more Associations and/or Single Entry Teams that participate in a season schedule must provide to the NOHA their list of Board of Directors, contact information, League schedule and rules and regulations/constitution.

Rationale:

Hockey Canada defines a League as having a minimum of three (3) Teams.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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9. -SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 3.1.b and 3.1.c

Presently Reads:

b) AAA Teams engaged in the preceding year shall declare themselves operative by May 1st . Such declaration shall be made by submission of the Team application form and applicable fees to the NOHA.

c) All other Representative Teams (AA-C) engaged in the preceding year shall declare themselves operative by May 1st. Such declaration shall be made by submission of the Team application form to the NOHA. All applicable fees are payable by September 1st .

Change to Read:

~~b) AAA Teams engaged in the preceding year shall declare themselves operative by May 1st . Such declaration shall be made by submission of the Team application form and applicable fees to the NOHA.~~

c) All ~~other~~ Representative Teams (AAA-C) engaged in the preceding year shall declare themselves operative by May 1st. Such declaration shall be made by submission of the Team application form to the NOHA. All applicable fees are payable by September 1st.

Rationale:

To combine Regulation 3.1.b. and 3.1.c. as they both deal with Rep Team registration and both have the same timelines for submitting application to the NOHA.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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10. –SUBMITTED BY NORTH BAY MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

NOHA Regulation 3.2.a

Presently Reads:

There will be no House League Select Teams.

Change to Read:

Delete.

Rationale:

Removing the bylaw will allow for further development opportunities for our current House League players. In addition to playing and practicing on their current House League teams, players could be affiliated to a House Select team allowing them to play additional tournaments / exhibition games against other like teams. This allows for the opportunity of the top House League players to occasionally play and practice together with a like skill level, all the while not disrupting the current system

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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11. -SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 5.1.3.c.

Presently Reads:

A replacement goaltender cannot be replaced by another replacement goaltender unless he/she is medically unfit.

Change to Read:

A replacement goaltender cannot be replaced by another replacement goaltender unless ~~he/she is~~ **they are** medically unfit **and medical evidence is provided.**

Rationale:

To provide clarity that medical evidence is provided in the same manner that approval is provided for the replacement goaltender.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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12. -SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 5.3.3a. and 5.3.3.b.

Presently Reads:

- a) The Official Game Report of each game containing any penalty under the OHF Minimum Suspension List or describing any severe injury shall be sent to the NOHA Executive Director within twenty-four hours by the Referee.
- b) A Referee’s report on a match penalty form on all games in which match penalties are assessed must be e-mailed in to the NOHA Office with the Official Game Report within twenty-four (24) hours after the game. Any Referee not adhering to this regulation may be suspended by the Discipline Committee.

Change to Read:

- a) The Official Game Report of each game containing any penalty under the OHF Minimum Suspension List or describing any severe injury shall be sent to the NOHA Executive Director within twenty-four hours by the Referee. *Any Referee not adhering to this regulation may be suspended by the Discipline Committee.*
- ~~b) A Referee’s report on a match penalty form on all games in which match penalties are assessed must be e-mailed in to the NOHA Office with the Official Game Report within twenty-four (24) hours after the game. Any Referee not adhering to this regulation may be suspended by the Discipline Committee.~~

Rationale:

The above Regulations are very similar, and in the opinion of the NOHA Executive, can be merged together.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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13. -SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 6.1

Presently Reads:

- a) In all divisions and categories above Minor hockey, the residence rule shall be open.
- b) A Player must compete with the Association/Single Entry Team nearest to their place of residence that has entered a Team for which he/she is qualified to play.
- c) Players must be a bonafide resident of the city, town, municipality, village, First Nation territory, rural area, unorganized township, zone or such other area in the District in which the Player resides, by November 1st in any playing season.
- d) U21, U18, U15, and U13 AAA, Minor and Major, will adopt the Zone concept. Zone Divisions will be the Districts as outlined in the definitions contained in the NOHA Constitution.

A Player from within a District may request an NOHA Release from the signing officers of the Association or Single Entry Team holding his/her playing rights to try out for the AAA Club within the District. The NOHA Release carries an automatic Release for the Player upon being signed by the AAA Association/Team. The same provision will apply for a Player wanting to try out for a AAA Association/Team outside his/her District.

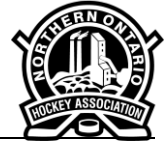
- e) The OHF Residential Move Form must be attached to the Player's record in the HCR for approval. At the request of the President of the NOHA, the signing officers of an Association or Single Entry Team shall submit supporting documentation to the NOHA Office. In the case of disputed residency, the ruling of the President shall be final.
- f) Any Player moving residency within their own Association must submit a completed Residential Move form only. No additional documentation is required (i.e. driver's license, bill, etc.).
- g) Any Players whose home centre is not specifically listed in NOHA By-Law 1.1.R) shall have their Home Association determined by the NOHA Board.

Change to Read:

- a) In all divisions ~~and categories above Minor hockey,~~ the residence rule shall be open.



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- ~~b) A Player must compete with the Association/Single Entry Team nearest to their place of residence that has entered a Team for which he/she is qualified to play.~~
- c) ~~Players must be a~~ **No Minor Player shall be registered as a member of, or compete for, a Team in any NOHA match who has not been a** bonafide resident of the city, town, municipality, village, First Nation territory, rural area, unorganized township, zone or such other area ~~in the District in which the Player resides, by~~ **as established by the Branch to which their Team belongs since** November 1st in any playing season.
- ~~d) U21, U18, U15, and U13 AAA, Minor and Major, will adopt the Zone concept. Zone Divisions will be the Districts as outlined in the definitions contained in the NOHA Constitution.~~

~~A Player from within a District may request an NOHA Release from the signing officers of the Association or Single Entry Team holding his/her playing rights to try out for the AAA Club within the District. The NOHA Release carries an automatic Release for the Player upon being signed by the AAA Association/Team. The same provision will apply for a Player wanting to try out for a AAA Association/Team outside his/her District.~~

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- f) Any Player moving residency within their own Association must submit a completed Residential Move form only. No additional documentation is required (i.e. driver's license, bill, etc.).
- g) Any Players whose home centre is not specifically listed in NOHA By-Law 1.1.R) shall have their Home Association determined by the NOHA Board.

Rationale:

The proposed amendment provides for freedom of movement at all levels of Minor Hockey.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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14. – SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

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- a) In all divisions and categories above Minor hockey, the residence rule shall be open.
- b) A Player must compete with the Association/Single Entry Team nearest to their place of residence that has entered a Team for which he/she is qualified to play.
- c) Players must be a bonafide resident of the city, town, municipality, village, First Nation territory, rural area, unorganized township, zone or such other area in the District in which the Player resides, by November 1st in any playing season.
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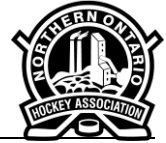
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- g) Any Players whose home centre is not specifically listed in NOHA By-Law 1.1.R) shall have their Home Association determined by the NOHA Board.

Change to Read:

- a) In **House League**, and all divisions and categories above Minor hockey, the residence rule shall be open.



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- b) *With the exception of R.6.1.a),* A Player must compete with the Association/Single Entry Team nearest to their place of residence that has entered a Team for which he/she is qualified to play.
- c) Players must be a bonafide resident of the city, town, municipality, village, First Nation territory, rural area, unorganized township, zone or such other area in the District in which the Player resides, by November 1st in any playing season.
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- f) Any Player moving residency within their own Association must submit a completed Residential Move form only. No additional documentation is required (i.e. driver's license, bill, etc.).
- g) Any Players whose home centre is not specifically listed in NOHA By-Law 1.1.R) shall have their Home Association determined by the NOHA Board.

Rationale:

To provide for freedom of movement at House League.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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15. – SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

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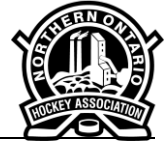
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- g) Any Players whose home centre is not specifically listed in NOHA By-Law 1.1.R) shall have their Home Association determined by the NOHA Board.

Change to Read:

- a) In **U7, and** all divisions and categories above Minor hockey, the residence rule shall be open.



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- b) *With the exception of R.6.1.a),* A Player must compete with the Association/Single Entry Team nearest to their place of residence that has entered a Team for which he/she is qualified to play.
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Rationale:

To allow for freedom of movement at U7. In allowing freedom to play wherever a Player desires at the entry point into the game for most families, we will be able to have a better understanding on the impact of this to our Associations.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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16. –SUBMITTED BY SCHUMACHER-DAY MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

NEW – NOHA Regulation 6.1.1.

Presently Reads:

None.

Change to Read:

- a) A Player shall be given the choice of Home Centre when the difference in distance from or to their residence, over well-travelled roads, always measuring the shortest possible route to the two (2) or more Centres concerned does not exceed ten (10) km. The difference in distance shall be determined from the main entrance of the participant’s residence to the Post Office location within such Centre(s).

- b) Having made their choice of home Centre under the above Regulation through registration, such Player shall remain a member of the Centre. In the spirit of “right of choice”, such Player, in good standing, will automatically be granted a release to an Association, within the ten (10) km radius, when request.

Rationale:

We live in a society where freedom of choice is prevalent. This is not a new or unique concept in minor hockey. There have been motions brought to this floor, from both Associations and the NOHA Board, over the past years, addressing this topic. Hockey Canada has been promoting this concept for years. It is our understanding that the NOHA is the only OHF Member that does not have some sort of provision for the “right to choose”. There are provisions in other OHF Members’ Constitutions addressing this.

During discussions with our Members, it is apparent that there is a desire to allow for participants the right to choose what program they wish to participate in. These changes would allow the right to choose a nearby Association to play in, for whatever reason they choose.

We feel this amendment would allow participants, in nearby Associations, to be able to choose with Association they would like to participate in, while protecting smaller Associations that we have heard at past AGMs concerned for their existence that complete freedom of movement would cause.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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17. –SUBMITTED BY SCHUMACHER-DAY MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

NEW – NOHA Regulation 6.1.1.

Presently Reads:

None.

Change to Read:

- c) A House League Player shall be given the choice of Home Centre when the difference in distance from or to their residence, over well-travelled roads, always measuring the shortest possible route to the two (2) or more Centres concerned does not exceed ten (10) km. The difference in distance shall be determined from the main entrance of the participant’s residence to the Post Office location within such Centre(s).

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18. –SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 7.3.c.

Presently Reads:

The individual game fees for officials shall be based on game length excluding overtime:

(chart)

Fees, excluding U18 AAA and Junior A, shall increase by \$1.00 per Official for the 2020/2021 season and for the 2021/2022 seasons.

The above rates will be in effect until the conclusion of the 2021/2022 season, after which a review of the Officials’ fees will be completed by the NOHA.

Note: If a game is officiated in the two-official system, each Official shall receive the Referee rate.

Change to Read:

Delete.

Rationale:

To allow the NOHA Executive to make changes to the individual game fees as they see fit to keep competitive for Officials and reasonable for Associations.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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19. -SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 7.3.c.

Presently Reads:

The individual game fees for officials shall be based on game length excluding overtime:

(chart)

Fees, excluding U18 AAA and Junior A, shall increase by \$1.00 per Official for the 2020/2021 season and for the 2021/2022 seasons.

The above rates will be in effect until the conclusion of the 2021/2022 season, after which a review of the Officials' fees will be completed by the NOHA.

Note: If a game is officiated in the two-official system, each Official shall receive the Referee rate.

Change to Read:

Add to the chart:

AAA (tournaments)	
U13 Referee - \$36.00	Linesperson - \$24.00
U15 Referee - \$41.00	Linesperson - \$29.00
U18 Referee - \$52.00	Linesperson - \$38.00

Rationale:

Our current AAA rates do not reflect shorter game times, like they do in other categories. This addition reflects the same processes followed for other categories.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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20. –SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 7.3.d

Presently Reads:

Car travel rate shall be \$0.42 per kilometer, rounded to the nearest dollar. Local Referees will receive game fee only. Per diem allowance for travel within the District: travel over 100 km one way - \$10.00; travel over 200km one way - \$25.00; travel over 300km - \$40.00; overnight stay (full day) - \$50.00.

Requests for meals must be approved by the NOHA Officiating Program Coordinator, who will advise the District Referee-in-Chief.

Change to Read:

Delete.

Rationale:

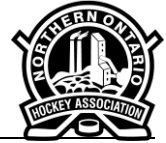
To allow the NOHA Board of Directors to determine the mileage rate annually. This is in line with the NOHA Board’s previous request to remove other fees, such as participant fees, team fees, etc. and allow the Board to act as needed to adjust fees.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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21. -SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 7.3.d

Presently Reads:

Car travel rate shall be \$0.42 per kilometer, rounded to the nearest dollar. Local Referees will receive game fee only. Per diem allowance for travel within the District: travel over 100 km one way - \$10.00; travel over 200km one way - \$25.00; travel over 300km - \$40.00; overnight stay (full day) - \$50.00.

Requests for meals must be approved by the NOHA Officiating Program Coordinator, who will advise the District Referee-in-Chief.

Change to Read:

Car travel rate shall be ~~\$0.42~~ \$0.46 per kilometer, rounded to the nearest dollar. Local Referees will receive game fee only. Per diem allowance for travel within the District: travel over 100 km one way - \$10.00; travel over 200km one way - \$25.00; travel over 300km - \$40.00; overnight stay (full day) - \$50.00.

Requests for meals must be approved by the NOHA Officiating Program Coordinator, who will advise the District Referee-in-Chief.

Rationale:

The price of gas continues to increase. Providing this increase puts Officials in line with current mileage rate within the NOHA.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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22. -SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NEW – Regulation 9.2.d.

Presently Reads:

None.

Change to Read:

In divisions that do not lead to a Regional or National Championship, a Goaltender may affiliate to more than one (1) Team upon approval of the Minor Hockey Association and of the District Council Director.

Rationale:

In recent seasons, the NOHA has received a number of requests to allow Goaltenders to affiliate to more than one (1) Team. The regulation above formalizes the process for this to occur.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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23. –SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 11.1.b. – NEW

Presently Reads:

None.

Change to Read:

In applicable age divisions, the winning Team from the NOHA Tournament of Champions will represent the NOHA at the OHF Championships.

Rationale:

To provide clarity for what is the current practice with respect to OHF Championships.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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24. –SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 12.1.b.

Presently Reads:

A list of Teams that are entering the Tournament must be forwarded to the NOHA Office and the District Council Director ten (10) days prior to the start of the tournament. The completed schedule can then be e-mailed when the final draft is ready to be sent to all Teams. All Tournaments (House League and Representative) are required to submit a Tournament reconciliation to the NOHA Office sixty (60) days after the completion of the Tournament. Tournament hosts must also submit all game sheets, Tournament permits, final game schedule and HCR approved rosters to the NOHA Office with their reconciliation. All Tournaments are required to check the HCR approved rosters of each Team participating to verify their eligibility.

Once everything has been submitted, the NOHA Office will inform the Association of any missing documents and assistance will be provided to the Association to secure the required documents, where possible.

Change to Read:

A list of Teams that are entering the Tournament must be forwarded to the NOHA Office and the District Council Director ~~ten (10)~~ 14 days prior to the start of the tournament. The completed schedule can then be e-mailed when the final draft is ready to be sent to all Teams. All Tournaments (House League and Representative) are required to submit a Tournament reconciliation to the NOHA Office sixty (60) days after the completion of the Tournament. Tournament hosts must also submit all game sheets, Tournament permits, final game schedule and HCR approved rosters to the NOHA Office with their reconciliation. All Tournaments are required to check the HCR approved rosters of each Team participating to verify their eligibility.

Once everything has been submitted, the NOHA Office will inform the Association of any missing documents and assistance will be provided to the Association to secure the required documents, where possible.

Rationale:

By amending this regulation to 14 days, it will allow our Staff to review Team lists and compare information in the tournament portal and to reach out to Associations, where necessary, to avoid late fees.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*
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25. -SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 11.2.1.b.

Presently Reads:

Requests to host will be received by the Executive Director until September 1st. The total number of entries eligible to attend will be confirmed by December 31st of the current season.

Change to Read:

Requests to host will be received by the Executive Director until ~~September~~ **October** 1st. The total number of entries eligible to attend will be confirmed by December 31st of the current season.

Rationale:

To provide an additional month for Associations and Teams to apply to host the Tournament of Champions.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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26. –SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 11.2.1.f.

Presently Reads:

If an Association has been awarded to host an NOHA Tournament of Champions, they must declare, in writing, by October 1st if they are unable to register a Team.

Change to Read:

If an Association has been awarded to host an NOHA Tournament of Champions, they must declare, in writing, by October 31st if they are unable to register a Team.

Rationale:

If the previous motion is approved, amending this Regulation to provide until the end of the month for Associations to advise if they cannot field a Team in that particular age division.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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27. –SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 11.2.1.h.

Presently Reads:

Host Committees must guarantee that there are sufficient accommodations available for out of town Teams attending the Tournament of Champions.

Change to Read:

Delete.

Rationale:

While the NOHA Playoff Committee uses available accommodations as a determining factor for hosting of the TOCs, no host Association can guarantee accommodations due to other events that may be taking place in the same community.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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28. -SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 11.2.4.a

Presently Reads:

Any team withdrawing from the Tournament of Champions after December 1st shall forfeit their monies to the NOHA.

Change to Read:

Any team withdrawing from the Tournament of Champions after ~~December 1st~~ **the deadline** shall forfeit their monies to the NOHA.

Rationale:

In some seasons, the NOHA Board has agreed to extend the deadline for applications. Amending this regulation provides for late fees to be applicable only after that deadline.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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29. –SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 11.2.5.a

Presently Reads:

Scheduling of NOHA Playoffs may not be done until the participant Teams are properly seeded by the host committee and approved by the NOHA Playoff Committee. Through scheduling, every effort must be made to allow each team the chance to compete against Teams from other Leagues while attending the TOC.

Change to Read:

Scheduling of NOHA Playoffs may not be done until the participant Teams are properly seeded by the host committee and approved by the NOHA Playoff Committee. Through scheduling, every effort must be made to allow each team the chance to compete against Teams from other Leagues while attending the TOC. *Teams travelling the farthest distance shall be scheduled as late as possible in accordance with the schedule template.*

Rationale:

To formalize the process that traditionally occurs with respect to scheduling, and to allow Teams that must travel the most significant distance more time to travel the day of the start of the tournament if possible.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

DISCUSSION/NOTES:



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30. –SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 11.4.d

Presently Reads:

None.

Change to Read:

Where all Teams in an age division are competing within the same League, the NOHA Tournament of Champions shall be the League Championship.

Rationale:

The NOHA has recently taken a larger role in ensuring that Teams within the NOHA have a place to play within the NOHA. By having the NOHA TOCs as the League Championship, it saves significant costs to families and eliminates a duplication of efforts while also allowing for longer play during the season. As well, formalizing this process provides equal opportunity to all Associations and Teams participating in these Leagues to be able to host a Championship.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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31. -SUBMITTED BY NOHA EXECUTIVE

NOHA Regulation 12.1.g.

Presently Reads:

When Teams or Players are required to play three (3) Tournament games in one day, there shall be a minimum of four (4) hours between the finish of one game and the start of the next game.

Change to Read:

When Teams or Players are required to play three (3) Tournament games in one day **at U10 and above**, there shall be a minimum of ~~four (4)~~ **three (3)** hours between the finish of one game and the start of the next game.

Rationale:

The amendment shortens the required break between games where a Team must play three (3) games in a day. To include above U9 as well as U9 typically has Jamborees with many shorter games in a day.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

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32. –SUBMITTED BY VALLEY EAST MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

NEW – NOHA Regulation 12.2.f

Presently Reads:

None.

Change to Read:

That when the Hockey Canada U9 Pathway for transition to full ice, NOHA allows two full ice tournaments after January 15th if the Teams choose to do so.

Rationale:

A number of Jamborees run in the North are only one day events, and if the NOHA’s intentions are to keep the costs down in the U9 Pathway, then it wouldn’t be feasible to have a U9 team travel up to 300km for a one-day jamboree. In order for every team to fulfill their 2 Jamboree commitments they would have to enter these Jamborees in the Christmas Season. Again not an ideal situation, if the intent is to keep costs down, by having parents spend more money around the biggest spending time of the season.

The U9 Pathway clearly states that teams have a choice of either a Jamboree/Tournament in both the Seasonal Phase and the End of Season Phase.

RESULT: *Carried* *Carried as amended* *Defeated*

DISCUSSION/NOTES: