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19-At-Large Affiliation Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Purpose of Affiliation?

To provide an opportunity for higher Division or Category Teams to dress the maximum number of Players allowable for a game in accordance with the Playing Rules.

How Does 19-at-Large Work?

19-at-Large Affiliation allows each Team within the NOHA to identify up to 19 players (including 2 goaltenders if 19 players are identified) to be added to a team as Affiliate Players.

Can a Player Affiliate Outside of their Home Association?

With the permission of the Player's Home Association, a player is eligible to Affiliate to a higher Classification/Division Team from another Association within the NOHA. Permission must be obtained from the Player's Home Association first; the Affiliating Team's Coach is not to reach out to the Affiliating Player/Parent(s) directly.

How Do I Add an Affiliate Player from Outside my Association to a Roster?

The NOHA has created a form which requires approval from the affiliating team's Head Coach, the Player's parent/guardian, and the Player's Home Association. Once signed, the affiliating Association requests an Affiliation Transfer on the HCR and uploads the signed document to the transfer request.

The form is available on the [NOHA Website](#).

How Do I Add an Affiliate Player from my Association to a Roster?

The above-mentioned form is not required where a player is affiliating within the same Association. A player is simply added to the Affiliate Team's roster on the HCR.

Can a Non-Affiliated Player Participate in a Practice with Another Team in the Same Association?

The NOHA encourages shared practices and additional skill development opportunities. With the approval of the Minor Hockey Association, a non-affiliated player from the same Minor Hockey Association can participate in another team's practice.



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Can a Non-Affiliated Player Participate in a Practice with Another Team in Another Association?

A Player is unable to participate in the practice of another Association, except when an older Player is volunteering, in which case the **Minor Players Volunteering** policy must be followed.

How Many Games Can a Player Affiliate for?

For Teams that are eligible for OHF, Regional, and National Championships, a Player can affiliate to a maximum of ten (10) games. U7 Players affiliating to U9 can affiliate for a maximum of three (3) games. For all other divisions and categories, affiliation is unlimited.

In affiliating, Associations and Teams should take into consideration the Hockey Canada Seasonal Structure and the number of games it is recommended that a player participates in during the season.

Do I Need to Have the Referee Sign the Affiliation Form?

The Referee **MUST** sign the Affiliation Record form. This can be found under **NOHA Forms**.

Initiation-Novice-Atom Affiliation

Can a Five-Year-Old (Initiation) Player Affiliate to a U9 Team?

A five-year-old player **cannot** Affiliate to a U9 Team.

Can a Six-Year-Old (Initiation) Player Affiliate to a U9 Team?

A six-year-old player may affiliate to a U9 Team when the U9 Team does not have nine (9) players for a particular game. In these situations, the U9 Team may Affiliate Player(s) to get to nine (9) players regardless of the game structure.

Can a Seven-Year-Old (U9) Player Affiliate to a U11 Team?

A seven-year-old player **cannot** Affiliate to a U11 Team.



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Can an Eight-Year-Old (U9) Player Affiliate to a U11 Team?

An eight-year-old Player may Affiliate to a U11 Team when the U9 program has transitioned to full-ice programming (January 15th). Additionally, these Players may Affiliate when the U11 Team does not have nine (9) Players for a particular game. In these situations, the U11 Team may Affiliate Player(s) to get to nine (9) players regardless of the game structure.

Can an Approved Affiliate Player Practice with the Higher Level Team, Regardless of the Timing During the Season?

The Hockey Canada Skills Curriculum does not differ much between the age divisions and encourages small area games. As such, Players can practice with the higher division Team, regardless of whether the higher-level Team is playing full-ice or half-ice games.