

NORTHERN ONTARIO HOCKEY ASSOCIATION MINOR TO JUNIOR HOCKEY

2023-2024 PLAYER RELEASE FORM

As per regulations of the Northern Ontario Hockey Association (NOHA), Ontario Hockey Federation (OHF) and Hockey Canada (HC), the following player:

NAME OF PLAYER (last name, first name): _____

LAST HC TEAM REGISTERED WITH: _____

BIRTH DATE (DD/MM/YY): _____ / _____ / _____

Is hereby released from all obligations to his previous organization(s) for the development fee of \$ _____

Fees will be collected and distributed by the NOHA Office.

NEW TEAM: _____

(RELEASING GROUP MUST INITIAL ONE APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENT ABOVE)

NAME OF ASSOCIATION AND/OR TEAM	Signing Officer (PRINT NAME)	Signing Officer (SIGNATURE)

Instructions for use: player must have release form from each Association that player requires a release from.

THIS FORM MUST BE ATTACHED TO THE PLAYER'S RECORD ON THE HOCKEY CANADA REGISTRY (HCR) WHEN SUBMITTING YOUR ROSTER ONLINE FOR APPROVAL

All arrangements relating to the payment of development fees as stipulated above are binding. Organizations granting a release are encouraged to keep a photocopy of this form for their records.

MINOR HOCKEY to JUNIOR HOCKEY:

- Minor Hockey Association/Club that the player is coming from MUST sign form
- Must also submit NOHA Minor to Junior Tryout form with this release

OHF E59 - Player Development Fees

New Org.	Previous Org. →	OHL	Jr. A	Jr. B	Jr. C	Jr. D	Minor
OHL		x	\$1500	\$1500	\$1500	\$1500	\$1000
Jr. A		\$1500	x	\$1500	\$500	\$400	\$750
Jr. B		\$1500	\$1250	x	\$500	\$400	\$500
Jr. C		\$1500	\$750	\$500	x	\$400	\$400
Jr. D		\$1500	\$500	\$500	\$300	x	\$300
Junior Home Community		x	x	x	x	x	\$100

(a) Development Fees and Releases Between Seasons

- i) The player release is automatically granted upon receipt of the maximum dollar figure paid by the new organization to the previous organization's Member for upward Player movement prior to the first regular season game of the Team the Player is Registered with or registering with (I.E. C to B, U18 to A).
- ii) Teams can negotiate a lower development fee only for a player who has played with the same Minor Association from Minor Atom to his release year. A release is automatically granted upon receipt of the negotiated Development Fee with signed approval by the previous organization to its Member.
- iii) Any and all development fees from Junior to Minor that go to the last carded team will be divided proportionately according to years of participation with and between any and all OHF Member Partners. The Development fee will be divided between the Home Centre and other Centre(s) or Zone(s) involved based on the number of seasons played for each.
- iv) A player 18 years of age as of December 31 of the current season is released to Junior hockey with no development fees unless there is a competitive Juvenile program in the Minor Hockey Association/Club for him to play.
- v) Such local 16 year old players do not require an AAA waiver in order to sign with a Junior C or D team.
- vi) A player under 18 years of age as of December 31 of the current season who played AAA hockey outside his home centre is subject to the development fee schedule.
- vii) The Development Fee for a player in his last year of Midget eligibility moving from Minor to Junior in their home community is \$100.
- viii) If development fees are paid for a player going from Minor to Junior, no part of those fees can be requested or reimbursed if the player returns to Minor. If the player subsequently returns to Junior in the same or a following season, his new Junior team is responsible for compensating the original Junior team for the development fee it paid to the Minor Club/Association.

KEY IMPLICATIONS

- The fees chart in E59 are the established development fees, they are no longer guidelines.
- Releases are automatic if the fee is paid except for between teams in the same category.
- Permission to Skate is obtained from the players last carded team.

NOTE: For Teams within the NOHA it is strongly recommended that you deal with each other (Team to Team or Association to Team) and then forward appropriate documents to the NOHA Office.

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