

MOUNT BRYDGES & DISTRICT ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

AFFILIATED PLAYER'S POLICY

The Mount Brydges & District Athletic Association fully supports the proper use of affiliated players.

REASONS TO USE AFFILIATED PLAYERS

Players on the AP list are to be used in the following situations.

- A) When a regular player is ill.
- B) When a regular player is injured.
- C) When a regular player is serving a league suspension.
- D) When a regular player is missing for personal reasons.
- E) If a team is issued only one goaltender, special circumstances (see F) may apply and will be dealt with on an individual basis.
- F) Under special circumstances with prior approval by the League Convener. (A reasonable amount of time for request is required).
- G) May attend the practices of team of affiliation if the coach desires.

NOTE: Under no circumstances are AP players to be used at the expense of the regular players on the team. AP list players may play regular shifts but must not take ice time from the regular team members.

USING PLAYERS ON THE AP LIST

Coaches who wish to use AP players must follow these procedures:

- A) A list must be established (as outlined by OMHA guidelines)
- B) Parent and Player must be asked before the player's name is put on the AP roster.
- C) Contact the coach of the AP player's team and obtain their permission to play.
- D) Contact the player's parents and obtain their permission.
- E) Ask the player to play.
- F) The coach is to inform the rep convener of any infractions of the AP player within 12 hours after the game.
- G) Failure to adhere to the procedure may result in the Coach being assessed a suspension by the Convener. A note will be placed in the coach's file for future reference that may lead to the removal of the offending coach.
- H) Any player participating in a game as an affiliated player must be indicated on the game sheet report by having "AP" beside his name. Appearance of the player's name on the official game report shall be considered participation in the game, except in the case of a substitute goaltender, in which case actual participation shall be specifically noted on the game report. (See OMHA: Manuel of Operations/ 23.1 Affiliation)
- I) Affiliated players **MAY NOT** be used until after approved affiliate rosters have been returned by the OMHA.

ALLOWING AFFILIATED PLAYERS TO PLAY

- A) Coaches are asked to regularly communicate with each other to facilitate the process.
- B) Coaches are asked to release players to the team that AP them if it does not interfere with games or practices of the player's own team.
- C) When no conflict exists with games or practices of the player's own team, the affiliated player must be released to the affiliated team.
- D) The coach of the affiliated player is not to impose any other conditions or use threats of any form to prevent players from playing up. Violation of this rule may result in the player's coach being assessed a suspension by the coach's convener.
- E) Any dispute among the coaches and or player regarding the application of the AP rules will be referred to the respective Convener, and the coaching convener for a joint decision. Reference to the OMHA Manuel of Operations/Affiliation will be used if any issues are unable to be resolved in this manner.

NOTE: A Local League player that has been moved up to a higher level is not available for the AP list of that level. Eg: A novice player that has moved up to atom is only eligible for the AP list of the Atom Rep team.