



ACTION BULLETIN

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TO: OMHA Centres

CC: OMHA Board
OMHA Convenors

FROM: Ian Taylor
Executive Director

SUBJECT: Initiation Program Implementation and Sanctions

Attached please find a Memo as issued through the OHF with respect to Initiation Program Implementation and Sanctions. This was addressed by the OMHA Board at its meetings of September 16-17, 2017.

The Board has directed that the OMHA will follow the OHF memo "Clarification Initiation Program Implementation" dated September 13, 2017 when approving Tyke rosters.

If players five-and-six-years-old are registered to play in programming designed for seven-year-olds, it must also be cross-ice/half-ice hockey. The only exception, is if the seven year-old programming with players six-years-old and under has been approved by the Member (in this case the OMHA).

The Member approval set out above is based on instances where players six-and-under are required to form a Team predominantly made up of seven-year-old players. The only scenario in which this will be permitted are cases where the number of six year olds being added will meet the minimum roster requirement of eleven players. The key criteria being that without the six-year-old players, those seven-year-old players would have no opportunity to play the game of hockey in their community.

Your first point of contact for any such requests, or for further information, is through your Regional Director.

Sincerely,

Ian Taylor
Executive Director

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