



## REP UNIFORM/ EQUIPMENT POLICY \*

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*\*Rep Uniform/ Equipment Policy may be used interchangeably with the term "Dress Code."*

*\*\*Unless otherwise indicated by Hockey Canada, Ontario Hockey Federation, or Ontario Minor Hockey Association, the following shall apply:*

Our image and branding as the Peterborough Hockey Association (PHA) is very important to us, and one in which players and families take pride. In order for teams to remain consistent, this policy shall outline the dress code for all Rep teams from U8 to U18 as described below. PHA reserves the right to alter colours and logos at any time.

We feel it is important as an Association to have a consistent appearance when our teams are representing the centre, either home or away. It is for this reason that certain items need to be purchased from PHA's **approved vendors only**. PHA reserves the right to change vendors and clothing products based on an annual review of vendor pricing, performance and clothing options. Teams will be notified at the beginning of each season where clothing items, jerseys and custom hockey equipment (eg. hockey pants/ shells) may be purchased. As a reminder, The Petes Store has the exclusive rights to use the Peterborough Petes "Petes" logo. Any clothing purchased with this logo must be purchased through or agreed upon by the Peterborough Petes Organization Merchandising Department.

### 1. TRACK SUITS:

Track suits shall be ordered through one of the PHA approved vendors, and the cost shall be covered by the individual player.

Fitting days will vary from season to season and shall be discussed at the Coaches/Managers meeting at the start of each season after tryouts.

### 2. JERSEYS:

Game socks and game jerseys are to be worn for games only and not for practices.

PHA currently uses the K3 jersey manufactured by Kobe sports. The jersey is customised specifically for the PHA and is the only jersey approved for use. As Kobe is a main distributor, the PHA shall partner with a vendor of its choosing to provide the custom jerseys. Unless otherwise indicated by PHA, players shall order a jersey kit (home and away jersey) at their own expense. This will allow parents and players an opportunity to order the size they want.

At the time of this policy being written, home and away socks are included in registration fees. PHA reserves the right to change this and if so, home and away socks would be purchased at the player's own expense.

We acknowledge that the cost is the parent's responsibility. The benefit is that if the player is not in need of another jersey the following year, they do not have to purchase a new one unless there is a change to the style of jersey. Any such changes will be tendered out for quote and reviewed and voted upon by the Executive.

As an Association, we feel this is the right step forward in providing the membership with quality jerseys and allowing them to manage their own player's equipment.

Jersey fitting days will vary from season to season and shall be discussed at the Coaches/Managers meeting after tryouts.

### **Numbering of Game Jerseys and Player Name Panels:**

- a) numbers 78 and 79 shall be excluded from player selection as they are assigned as PHA Affiliate Player (AP) jersey numbers;
- b) players are able to select any number, subject to availability. Players returning to the same team have the right of first refusal with respect to their number from the previous season\*. New players or players moving up or down in levels will be expected to choose a new number if their number was previously selected by a returning player;
- c) only the player's last name shall reside on the back of the jersey in the predetermined location;
- d) sponsor bars shall be permitted on game jerseys as approved by the Rep Executive;
- e) jersey alterations are not permitted unless approved by the Rep Executive;

*\*In the event of a break in play (eg pandemic shutdown), "previous season" shall be defined as the most recent season in which rep, travel hockey occurred.*

### **3. CLOTHING:**

- a) Players:
  - i. U8 to U11: Game attire shall consist of the approved Peterborough Petes warm-up suit for all games;
  - ii. U12 and older: Game attire for home games shall be:
    - a. business professional, and an approved Petes Coat;
  - iii. U12 and older game attire for away games and tournament games shall be one of the following for the entire team as chosen by the Head Coach:
    - a. business professional, and an approved Petes Coat or;
    - b. approved Peterborough Petes warm-up suit;
  - iv. unless otherwise indicated in this policy, pre-game warm-up gear shall be determined by the coaching staff. Any team uniforms established by coaches shall be adhered to and worn by all players during pre-game warm-ups unless they are in contradiction with this policy. Peterborough Petes warm-up suits are recommended;
  - v. with the exception of religious headwear, only approved Petes or PHA toques shall be permitted (ie no baseball caps). *All other exceptions must be approved by the PHA Executive prior to wearing to a game.*
- b) Coaching Staff:

- i. with the exception of Trainers, game attire for coaching staff shall be business professional (eg. dress shirt, tie, dress pants, dress shoes), and an approved Petes jacket. Jackets from another organization or displaying a business logo are not permitted;
  - i. Trainers shall have the option to wear the items listed in 3b)i. or a complete Peterborough Petes or PHA warm-up suit with comfortable running shoes;
  - ii. with the exception of religious headwear, only approved Petes or PHA toques shall be permitted (ie no baseball caps). *All other exceptions must be approved by the PHA Executive prior to wearing to a game.*
- c) The Head Coach shall define “business professional” for their team including, but not limited to:
- i. standards of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion;
  - ii. open-toed shoes shall not be permitted;
  - iii. skirts and dresses shall not be permitted;
  - iv. casual clothing (eg. jeans, shorts, t-shirts, sweatshirts, golf shirts, running shoes) shall not be permitted;
  - v. headwear other than religious headwear, Petes toques and PHA toques shall not be permitted (ie no baseball caps, no dress hats). *All other exceptions must be approved by the PHA Executive prior to wearing to a game.*

#### **4. EQUIPMENT:**

- a) **Helmets** – Players shall wear approved black helmets during all games, whether home or away. Within one (1) month of the season start, helmets shall have PHA-approved stickers only. PHA-approved stickers include “Petes” stickers on each side, the player’s number on the front, and CSA stickers;
- b) **Gloves** – Players shall wear approved black gloves during all games, whether home or away;
- c) **Hockey Pants or Shells** – Players shall wear approved black pants or shells during all games, whether home or away;
- d) **Mouth Guards** – Players shall follow OMHA policies with respect to mouth guards (ie, worn during all games and practices);
- e) **Cost** – players shall supply their own equipment at their own expense;
- f) **Safety Standards** – all equipment supplied by the player shall be CSA approved, and in accordance with guidelines set out by Hockey Canada, Ontario Hockey Federation, and/ or Ontario Minor Hockey Association.

#### **5. PRACTICE WEAR:**

- a) each team shall purchase new practice wear each season consisting of a practice jersey and practice socks;
- b) practice wear shall be provided by the selected PHA approved vendor. Jersey colours and socks will be preselected by the PHA;
- c) sponsor names or logos may be added to or sublimated on the back of the team's practice jersey. Size and wording shall be determined by the team staff.

**6. POLICY DEVIATIONS AND VIOLATIONS:**

- a) any player, coach or team found not conforming to the required dress code may be subject to:
  - i. verbal warning;
  - ii. suspensions (player suspensions begin with one period, coach suspensions begin with one game);
  - iii. team fines;
- b) any items outside the mandatory items listed above and approved PHA items shall be subject for review by the Rep Executive before being ordered, worn or used. Failure to receive approval will result in the team funds being replaced at the cost of the member placing the order.