

Peterborough Hockey Association **Rep Hockey Tryout Policy**

Tryout Eligibility

It shall be the responsibility of the Association, the VP of REP, REP Directors and the Registrar to ensure that every player attending a tryout is registered, and eligible to play REP hockey for the Peterborough Hockey Association.

To participate in any tryout, REGISTERED players must be eligible by residency (*within PHA protected boundary area*) or right-of-choice area to play for the PHA. Players from another centre will be accepted with the proper documentation from their home centre ie, NRP form or 3.5 Exemption.

If you are planning to move into Peterborough for the 2018-19 season, you must have a Residency Transfer approved by the OMHA as they no longer have "INTENT to MOVE" forms. The family must complete an OMHA residential transfer form and *provide all required documentation to the PHA before stepping on the ice for any tryout*. The transfer must be approved prior to the start of tryouts for the player to participate . **No exceptions**. For more information about this process please contact the PHA Registrar.

Tryout Fees

All Registered players must purchase a tryout passport online prior to the start of tryouts. PHA Players must complete your player registration before purchasing a Tryout Passport. PHA Players are guaranteed 2 tryouts for an MD passport 3 tryouts for a AA, A or AE passport. Passports are non-refundable unless that player is successful in making the same age group AAA team. In that cast the VP of Rep and PHA treasurer will issue a full refund. Player Tryout Passports are non-transferable. Passports will be available till 7pm the night before the first AA tryout.

NON-RESIDENT PLAYERS (NRP)

NRP's, are required to purchase a Tryout passport for \$30 before the first tryout. NRP's may be released by the coach after the first tryout. If they continue they will be required to pay per skate up to a maximum of \$90. A printed receipt must be handed in to the coach for every skate to verify the passport payment has been made.

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The PHA will provide ice time for tryouts for each OMHA REP Team. The schedule will be posted in advance on the PHA website with times and location scheduled for each team. It is expected that All players wishing to play for an OMHA team must attend and fully participate in all tryouts held for that team. Any player unable to attend tryouts due to injury, illness or any other reason, must contact the head coach prior to the tryout. If the coach is satisfied, the player may be excused from the tryout, but will not be eligible for a refund of the tryout fee. If the player will miss more then one tryout the coach will evaluate based on either a tryout the player has attended currently or last seasons play in conjunction with the coach from the previous team. The tryout process is a chance for the coaching staff to identify potential players for each REP age group and category. Every effort will be given to ensure a transparent selection process is completed. The coaching staff shall not distribute any jersey, sticker or other identifying items in a manner in which favouritism is shown to any players. No REP jersey shall be worn at a tryout. Home and away exhibition games may be used are part of the evaluation process with OMHA approval. No releases can be made after any away game.

Coaches and Tryout Evaluators

The coaches will make themselves noticeable throughout the rinks during the end of the season to observe possible player selections. Coaches will be observing players in game situations as well as how they work with others in practices. Coaches will use some of that information during tryouts when selecting their team. All tryouts will include evaluators who are not connected to the team, the coach or have any conflict of interest with players trying out. These evaluators will be spread throughout the rink and might not be noticeable, but will be there on behalf of the PHA executive. All coaches must use knowledgeable and competent on ice instructors that are also not connected to the team in any way. With the exception of the coach, parents, relatives, friends of any players trying out are not allowed to be on the ice or used as evaluators – **No exceptions**. Coaches may choose one staff member (*preferably Trainer*) before the tryouts commence, saving the rest of the staff selections to be named after the team is selected.

Playing at the Correct Level

If a player trying out for a team is offered a spot on that team, the player must play at that level, players will not be allowed to drop down a level if they have the skills, ability and a offer to play at a higher level. The PHA's role is to develop all players and to do this correctly; all players must be playing at the appropriate level of play. If a player refuses the offer to play at the original REP level offered, they will be released from all REP hockey in the PHA and eligible for HL hockey in the PHA.