

Erin-Hillsburgh Minor Hockey Association Underage Player Movement Policy

This policy pertains to any EHMHA player seeking to play hockey at a higher division than their age.

Any Player wishing to move up a category must meet the following necessary criteria to allow such a move:

- a) Player must exhibit significantly advanced skills and abilities to play at a higher level. Skating ability, skill, maturity and player safety will be taken into consideration. The player must be in the top 5 to move up at a Representative level.
- b) The registration numbers must allow such move in a way it does not leave a team at their respective age group short players. In addition, the age group signing said player must have the room to accept another player.
- c) The EHMHA Executive board will appoint an evaluation team of 3 members to be certain that a player meets all criteria. The evaluation team shall not have any affiliation or relation to the team or the player in question. The evaluation team may make a recommendation to the EHMHA Executive for approval. If approved by the EHMHA Executive, then the request will go to the OMHA Convenor and Regional Director. Final Approval is at the discretion of the OMHA.
- d) If numbers permit players to move up due to lack of numbers at a higher level, ie, if U9 (Novice) has 19 skaters and U11 (Atom) has 12 skaters, moving U9 players up to U11 to balance teams may be an option upon Board approval of above criteria as well as player/family/guardian consent.

All Decisions based on the above criteria will be taken to the EHMHA board for approval, and following that, to the OMHA for approval before any player will be signed at a higher age group.