

MOOSE MOUNTAIN MINOR HOCKEY LEAGUE CONSTITUTION

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1. Name: This organization shall be known as the Moose Mountain Minor Hockey League, hereinafter referred to as M.M.M.H.L.
 2. Objectives: The object of the league shall be to control, improve, and foster amateur hockey in the area which it embraces within the framework of the Saskatchewan Hockey Association, hereinafter referred to as the S.H.A. and the Rules and Regulations of M.M.M.H.L.
 3. Members:
 - a) Hockey centres, willing to comply with and abide by the constitution, rules and regulations of the league, may be admitted to membership upon application accompanied by a performance bond, through the secretary/treasurer to the executive committee before the hockey schedule is drawn up for the coming hockey season – at the fall league meeting.
 - b) The annual membership fee is \$50 for each team and paid to the secretary/treasurer before such team can participate in any league hockey games. Privileges are automatically lost on default of payment of any monies due to the league. The annual membership fee is payable at the fall league meeting.
 4. Executive Committee:
 - a) The Executive Committee of the league shall consist of a President, League Commissioner (past President), Vice-President, Statistician and Secretary/Treasurer, Suspension Commissioner. A position of 2nd Vice President may be filled by a representative of the Hockey Association which will be fulfilling the League responsibilities in the up-coming season.
 - b) Any majority of the aforementioned shall constitute a quorum.
 - c) The Executive Committee shall hold the office for two seasons.
 - d) Members of the Executive do not have a vote unless their center does not have a representative to vote for their center at the meeting.

5. Meetings:

- a) The Annual meeting shall be held in April of each year at a place and time to be designated. There shall be an organizational meeting held each fall. Each member will have due notice of meetings.
- b) All centres who participate in the League during the current year must attend both meetings. Failure to do so will result in a \$100 fine to the Centre.
- c) The election of the Executive Committee, will take place at such meetings. The term of office for each Executive officer shall be two years.
- d) Only centers holding membership in the League in good standing will be allowed voting privileges at the meetings.
- e) Voting for general league issues will be 1 (one) vote per community. For age-specific issues there will be 1 (one) vote per community for centres with a team in the division.
- f) The annual membership fee, fines or other fees are determined at the Annual Meeting.

6. Duties and Powers of the Executive:

- a) The Executive Committee is to conduct the business of the League.
- b) The Executive shall act as sole custodian of all League trophies, be the sole judge as to where such trophies shall be stored and maintain, accept or refuse any new trophies and purchase any new trophies for hockey competition if deemed advisable.
- c) The Executive shall procure and make available a supply of referee reports and game sheets for the use of all members.
- d) The Executive shall procure and make available a copy of the constitution and rules and regulations to each member.

7. Duties and Powers of the President:

- a) The President shall have the right to represent any or all of the Executive Committee on any occasion and will be responsible to the Executive for same. In the absence of the President, or at his (her) request, the Vice President shall have the full powers of the President in every respect.
- b) The President shall give a full report to the S.H.A. Executive Director regarding any suspensions of the hockey clubs, managers, coaches, players, referees, or any other officials.
- c) The President shall call meetings of the League as necessary.

8. Duties of the Executive:

Secretary/Treasurer:

- a) The Secretary/Treasurer shall record all minutes of the meetings, attend to all correspondence, record all receipts and payments,

deposit all monies received in a bank of the League's choice, pay all accounts of the League as directed by the Executive Committee and prepare a statement of receipts and payments for information at each meeting.

- b) The Secretary/Treasurer shall send notices to League representatives of all meetings when directed by the President.
- c) The Secretary/Treasurer shall supply, at the expense of the League, a copy of the Constitution, rules and regulations, contact persons for all teams, supply of referee reports and game sheets, schedules for the regular season and any other information to each member.
- d) The Secretary/Treasurer shall submit a copy of all amendments to the Constitution as approved by the League to the S.H.A. Executive Director for his information.

Statistician:

- a) The Statistician shall, together with the Executive, determine the League schedule during the regular season.
- b) That Statistician shall, together with the Executive, determines playoff positions and communicates this to centres involved.
- c) The Statistician shall receive and keep a record of all League game sheets.
- d) The Statistician is responsible for determining League standings for teams and communicating the standings to the centres on a regular basis.
- e) The Statistician will submit to the League President and/or Suspension Commissioner a record of any suspensions or suspensions that are outstanding.

The League Commissioner:

- a) The League Commissioner shall assist the President as requested. The decision of the League Commissioner is final.

9. Protest Committee:

- a) The Protest committee shall consist of 4 members from different Centres/non-Centres not including any Centre/non-Centres that holds an executive position. The League President shall also serve on the protest committee to act as a chairman.
- b) Any member of the protest committee whose Centre/non-Centre is involved in a protest shall be dropped from the committee with the exception of the League President.

10. Membership:

- a) The M.M.M.H.L. shall have the right to approve memberships.
- b) Memberships shall be acquired by application in writing accompanied with a membership fee to the Executive Committee

through the Secretary/Treasurer. Membership shall take effect upon the election of the applicant by a majority vote of the League members at the Annual or fall meeting.

- c) The Membership fee shall be as set by the League at it's annual meeting and paid to the Secretary/Treasurer before such a member can participate in the League.
 - d) The performance bond required by the M.M.M.H.L. shall be \$50.00 and must be paid by all new towns before any games will be credited. This performance bond carries over from year to year.
 - e) Any new member admitted into the M.M.M.H.L. will be on a one year probation subject to review at the end of the season.
 - f) Representatives of members are entitled to attend and take part in the Annual meeting and other meetings of the M.M.M.H.L.
 - g) Centers are to be granted a one year leave-of-absence before forfeiting their performance bond.
 - h) Members shall take what steps they deem necessary for the registration and administration of personnel in teams, leagues and groups, which are strictly within their own organizations, and shall report such registrations to the S.H.A. annually.
11. Amendments to the Constitution:
- a) The Constitution shall be amended only at the Annual meeting and the intended amendment must be given in writing to the League Secretary 30 days prior to the meeting.
 - b) Proposed amendments must be mailed to each centre participating in the League 2 weeks prior to the meeting.
 - c) Amendments can be adopted only by a 2/3 majority vote of the voting delegates present.
 - d) Amendments to the Constitution shall be forwarded to the Executive Director of S.H.A. for informational purposes.
12. Officials, Scorers, Timekeepers and Goal Judges:
- a) The M.M.M.H.L. shall use all Hockey Canada and S.H.A. rules.
 - b) It shall be the duty of the home team management, under the jurisdiction of the Local Minor Hockey Association to appoint and assign an official scorekeeper, timekeeper, and goal judges if requested. They are responsible to the League President and must conduct themselves as such and carry out their respective duties according to the rules and regulations of M.M.M.H.L.
13. Referees:
- a) All games will be officiated by a 2 or 3 man system in all League and playoff games.
 - b) If teams are unable to agree on the choice of referees, the President shall appoint same.

- c) Once a referee and linesman are named, they are League Officials and are responsible to the President. They must conduct themselves as such and are expected to enforce the rules of S.H.A.
- d) Teams that request neutral referees for other than playoff games must bear the cost
- e) Neutral referee shall be defined as a registered referee not residing in any Centre/non-Centre of the teams involved in the game

RULES AND REGULATIONS
MOOSE MOUNTAIN MINOR HOCKEY LEAGUE

As Approved and Adopted – April 19, 1998

Amended April 18, 1999

Amended April 22, 2001

Amended April 7, 2009

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1. The League will use all Hockey Canada and S.H.A. rules.
2. To be eligible for play-offs, for the team he/she is registered or affiliating with, a player must play “half plus one” of the league games, with the exception of younger players who are playing up, new residents, illness or accident verified with a doctor’s certificate at the discretion of the league president.
3. The maximum number of players a team may register will be the same as outlined in SHA rules.
4. All “A” or “AA” players affiliating back with their home town, must be listed on the game sheet as A.P. and must sign the game sheet.
5. All home teams are to supply Registered officials for regular home games. A three-man system of referees is to be used whenever possible for all games, but, must be used in 14 and 17 & under and in all play-off games during play-offs. If a two man system is used for any reason both teams must agree in writing prior to game time. Neutral referees must be used in 12, 14, and 17 & under games during play-offs, unless a local referee is agreed upon by both teams 48 hours prior to game time. The referee is to be 2 age divisions higher than the teams playing. Finals and semi-finals are to be officiated by an adult in 14 and 17 & under, 12 & under is encouraged to use adult as well but may use either an adult or midget age referee.
6. Postponement of scheduled games, except in the case of adverse weather conditions, must be arranged between the two teams concerned at least 48 hours before the scheduled game time. Any hockey team postponing a scheduled game in order to participate in any exhibition game shall reschedule the game. The League President is notified only if teams are having difficulty in re-scheduling the game. The League Executive can intervene during play-offs and scheduled games if the teams cannot arrange this between themselves. Teams are to give 48 hours notice or pay \$300 fine if they cannot make it for any reason other than weather conditions or sickness. The fine must be paid before the offending team plays another game. The fine is to be remitted to the League Secretary/Treasurer and \$250 is to be forwarded to non-offending team and \$50 to be retained by the League. Unplayed league and play-off games without the mutual consent of both teams and the League President will be assessed \$100 fine payable to the league and 2 points will be forfeited to the non-offending team. Money will be dispersed as above.
7. Trophies are to be returned to the League President by February 15th, of the following year won, failure to do so will result in a \$50 fine.

8. No player can change teams after January 10th with the exception of new residents. The player is to have a signed release form from his former team.
9. The decision of the League President is final.
10. Timing of league games (stop or straight) is to be determined before the game begins. All play-off games are to consist of 3, twenty minute stop-time periods, unless mutually agreed upon prior to game time.
11. The home team is required to change sweaters in the event both teams have similar sweaters.
12. The management of each team shall make every effort to prevail upon rink management to improve facilities and conditions of skating rinks where it is deemed necessary for the safety and comfort of players and spectators. This shall include adequate lighting over the ice arena and throughout the arena, adequate time-keepers and penalty boxes, players boxes, visible time clock, proper fire exits, doors in puck fence opening in and not onto the ice surface and are equipped with an adequate latch or fastener, and showers in the dressing rooms. All games shall commence on flooded ice and the ice shall be cleaned and flooded between periods if time permits.
13. There shall be no overtime played in regular season games, which end in a tie at the end of the regulation time.
14. At the completion of all League games, the top teams which number will be agreed upon at the fall meeting will commence their play-off games without delay. League playoff formats will be established for the upcoming year at the fall meeting.
15. Overtime shall be played in all playoff games (other than a two game total goal series), ending in a tie at the end of regulation time, according to S.H.A. overtime rules.
16. In the case of a tie in team standings at the end of the regular League games, the standings shall be decided as per the S.H.A. handbook.
17. The team finishing in top position shall have the choice of playing the first playoff game at home and if an odd game is necessary to declare a winner, this too shall be played on the home ice of the team in the top position.
18. No liquor will be allowed in any dressing rooms. Any infractions are to be dealt with on an individual basis by the League Executive.
19. Slapshots will be allowed in all age groups.
20. The Home Team is to send legible score sheets to the League Statistician within 7 days of the game date. For play-off games this deadline may be shortened as decided by the Executive.
21. After 3 game misconduct's, the offending player must sit out one game. After 5 game misconduct's, the offending player sits out 2 games. Any misconduct's after those, the league executive will review the situation. It is the team's responsibility to know how many game misconducts each player has.
22. No overage players are allowed in any age groups.

EXCEPTIONS:

17 and Unders

- Must be 18 and attending school full time for whole year
- Must be enrolled in at least 3 classes per semester not just Grade 12 standing
- 3 game misconducts they would be out of the league
- Name not to appear on a senior, "AA", "AAA" roster for this year or previous year

- Must be recorded on roster as an overage player.
- Each team is allowed a maximum of two overage players per team
- will not be allowed to play in Provincials as per SHA.

Overage Girls

- All girls are allowed to play down one year, only in league games.
- Must be recorded on game sheet as an overage player
- She is not allowed to AP to her appropriate age group

Overage Boys

- One year overage boys will be allowed if it is his first year of registered hockey
- Must be recorded on roster as an overage player
- He is not allowed to AP to his appropriate age group
- If no complaints have been received by January 1 he is eligible to play in playoffs
- If a complaint arises the president will rule on it.

23. All members must pay the league fees at the fall meeting, teams may not play until fees are paid. Team Rosters must be in prior to the 1st league game, or the team will be ineligible to play. Copies of the Affiliation lists will also be sent to the League. The League shall be notified of any changes to registration sheets and affiliation lists.
24. Team representatives for the coming year shall be filed with the Secretary/Treasurer at the Fall meeting.
25. If there is a change in Team management, it will be the responsibility of the team concerned to advise the League President and each team coach or manager in its division immediately upon the change.
26. Any damage incurred at any rink will be repaired by the visiting team, providing it is established that the visiting team or its representatives are responsible.
27. The executive committee shall be paid for telephone bills plus any other expenses that pertain to League business.
28. The Executive shall remain in office for a two year period. The Incoming executive center shall be decided upon at an annual meeting. Executive travel will be paid at 40 cents per KM.
29. Attendance at the Annual and Fall meeting is mandatory for all centers who are members of the M.M.M.H.L. Failure to attend will result in a fine of \$100.00.
30. If League fees and outstanding fines are not paid at fall meeting, the teams will not be put into League schedule.
31. The statistician will receive an honorarium of 300.00 per season.
32. Any team official receiving a game misconduct receives a game suspension.

PROTEST PROCEDURE
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1. The League President must be notified within 24 hours of the advertised time of the game of a pending protest.
2. Written protest, and any third party reports including all evidence in support, must be signed by the President of the Minor Hockey Association and manager or coach of team involved. No protest will be entertained unless this is adhered to. The written protest must be received within 24 hours of the advertised time of the game. All third party reports, including all evidence in support thereof, along with the protest fee of \$300, must be received by the League President within 72 hours. The protest fee will be forfeited to the League if the protesting team loses the protest. If the protest is upheld, the team not upholding the regulations shall lose their \$300 defence fee or will be charged \$300. If a protest is not entertained, the \$300 protest fee will be returned.
3. The League President, in consultation with the Protest committee shall decide if a protest is to be entertained. If the protest is entertained the President shall have the right to decide the issue or have the Protest committee consider the matter. If a hearing is held, the parties involved shall have the right of representation. Any dispute over the eligibility of a player shall be resolved by the Protest Committee or if necessary by S.H.A.
4. The League President, or his duly appointed representative, shall assure delivery of a copy of the protest to the team being protested against as soon as possible after receipt of the protest.
5. The team being protested against shall have 24 hours from receipt of the protest material to advise the League President if they are going to file a defence.
6. Upon notification, written defence along with a settlement in the amount of \$300 must be sent to the League President within 48 hours. The money shall be forfeited to the League if the protest is allowed.
7. The President or Protest Committee will render a decision as soon as possible and no later than 7 days after the receipt of the defence.
8. A protest during playoffs will automatically suspend the series in question until a decision is rendered.