TECHNICAL BULLETIN

MASSACHUSETTS DISTRICT USA HOCKEY REGISTRY 2016-17 SEASON

ONLINE REGISTRATION

Online Registration allows individual Members to register with USA Hockey. The **Waiver of Liability** is completed during online registration; copies of Waivers are **NOT** required for those registering online.

- Instruct your members to register online and send their Confirmation number/page to you.
- Let your members know the following fees are collected during online registration: USA Hockey fee of \$40 for age 7&over and \$0 for 6&under and MASS fee of \$8 for age 7&over, \$0 for age 6&under (birth year 2010 and later).
- Connect to your Registry and click on Registration
- Select appropriate member type and scan or type the confirmation number for all participants being registered. A file listing member type and confirmation number can also be imported.
- Click on Submit Member List. All data the Participant entered during the Online Registration process will be sent to your Registry completing the registration process and allowing that Participant to be placed on a Team Roster.

Important: You must Transmit all Players and Coaches as instructed above. The online registration process is not complete until you transmit the confirmation numbers through your USAH Registry. You may then assign your players and coaches to teams and create the Official Player Roster Form.

Any adult who is on the ice or bench with youth players must be registered through your **Program as a Coach** – member type C. Note: Online confirmation numbers are required to sign up for coach clinics, coaching modules and the coaching app along with the SafeSport online Training program.

<u>NOTE</u>. For information on the following topics, refer to the **<u>Important Information</u>** Document accessible from the home screen of your Registry:

- > SafeSport online training program
- Manager/Volunteer Registration
- > Non-US Citizen Player requirements
- > Date of Birth and Citizenship verification
- > Number of Players per Team
- Invitational Tournament requirements

New for 2016-17:

Programs and Philosophies of USA Hockey: a new category – Flex Hockey

Flex Hockey -- This program is designed to provide opportunities to play for enjoyment, fitness, relaxation and fellowship. The focus is on creating a fun, safe environment where participants can be active in the sport of hockey with flexible participation commitment and varied playing formats and varied playing rules.

Flex Hockey programs are no-check, ages can be mixed and rosters optional. Your Registry will allow you to identify Flex Program players on the Personnel screen – click on Edit Player in the upper left. You can then create a Report of Flex participants. Or, a Flex roster can be created to provide a listing of participants. The roster would not be submitted or approved.

New Age Classifications (effective for the 2016-17 season):

Fifteen (15) (Tier I National Bound Teams only)

15 Only birth year 2001

Note: The 15-year-old age category shall be for the Tier I Youth level only and shall be limited to players age 15 (as defined in the age classification chart for the current season). Players that are not age 15 in the current season shall not be permitted to play at the 15-year-old age classification under any circumstances.

Disabled Hockey – new:

Blind / Visually Impaired (all ages) Warrior Hockey (veterans with a disability playing upright)

New for 2016-17:

- For 18U, 16U and 14U Youth Teams along with 19U, 16U and 14U Girls Teams: A message will appear prior to the Roster being submitted asking you to identify Goaltenders. This is not required but is requested to identify Goalies for development purposes. To add the position, click on the pencil to the right of the Player's name.
- For all Tier I and Tier II teams (Youth and Girls) at age levels that have National Tournaments, there will be a box to check if the team is National Tournament-bound. The approved Roster will reflect this selection.

Building Teams

Select a Team Type and a Season Type. If you have questions, contact your USA Hockey Registrar. You will then enter **TEAM NAME** – a maximum of 35 characters – your choice. Next comes **CATEGORY, CLASS** and **DIVISION**.

Information for High School Teams:

Division 1: All players from one school;

Division 2: Combined High School players

All Team Rosters require at least one Coach to be assigned to the Official Roster. To be placed on a Roster, all Coaches are required to have their Safe Sport Training completed along with current CEP level and appropriate Age-Specific Module. Any Coach not in compliance will be redlined (removed) from the Roster.

MASSACHUSETTS prefers a Head Coach be designated for all Youth, High School and Girls/Women's teams. That "Head Coach" would preferably be the highest certified Coach listed on the Team Roster

TEAM ROSTER

Remember that player signatures are no longer required on Rosters. You will submit your Rosters through your Registry (online) to your USA Hockey Registrar and you will receive pending and approved Rosters back in your Registry. You will also receive a link to the Official Certified Roster that you can distribute as necessary. This link will remain the same all season – even if changes are made to the roster. You are still able to print Rosters. If you print a Roster, be sure to print from the link. This is the Official Roster but with limited Player information.

Please make sure you have assigned at least ONE coach to each Team Roster; preferably a coach certified at Level 3 to begin the season.

Please Note: Girls Tier III Rosters are submitted to the respective District Registrar for approval and processing. Girls Tier III Teams generally fall under a Local Youth Hockey Association.

Each time that you sign into your Registry you will receive the most current data for your members – completed coach clinics, coach modules, SafeSport video training, date of birth verification, non-US

citizen transfer information, etc. – anything that has been updated since you last viewed your membership data will be there for you.

A <u>Credential Verification Sheet (CVS)</u> will be created for each team with player and coach names and coach CEP information printed on the sheet. Please use the CVS for all teams going to State and/or District tournaments. Columns A-D labeled 'Local Use' do not apply and can be left blank. To create the CVS select the team from the Team list and click on Credential Verification.

Reports

Your Registry provides a number of Reports that you can create from your membership data. You can also create a Custom Report pulling any fields that you define for the Report. Click on the 'Create Custom Report' button on the right of the screen.

Forms

There are a number of Forms available through your Registry including the **Participant Accident Claim Form**. Click on Forms to access. **Before you sign a claim form for USA Hockey, make sure that the participant is properly registered with your association**.

See page 4 for your MASS Hockey Registrar Contact Information.

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