

NORTH RIVER
MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION



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ARTICLE 1 - NAME

- 1.1 This Association shall be known as the North River Minor Hockey Association, (NRMHA) hereinafter known as the Association and shall have jurisdiction over Minor Hockey within the boundaries of the North River Minor Hockey Association.

ARTICLE 2 - TERRITORIAL BOUNDARIES

- 2.1 This association is the Governing Body of Minor Hockey within the boundaries of the North River Minor Hockey Association as defined by PEIHA in accordance with the definition of a North River Minor Hockey Player hereinafter set down.
- 2.2 This Association is a member of the Prince Edward Island Hockey Association

ARTICLE 3 - OBJECTIVES

- 3.1 The objectives of the association shall be to organize and develop Minor Hockey.
- 3.2 To foster and encourage sportsmanship in the sport of minor hockey in the following divisions: Midget, Bantam, Pee Wee, Atom, Novice, and Development Programs or any other division under the Jurisdiction of the PEIMH Council.
- 3.3 The Association shall ensure that each team's management appointed/ approved under this Constitution provides the opportunity for each member of that team to improve his or her skills and knowledge of hockey while emphasising good sportsmanship and citizenship.

ARTICLE 4 - MEETINGS

- 4.1 The Annual Meeting of the Association shall be called by the President following, the completion of the hockey season and not later than May 15. A notice of such meeting shall be given to the local media with an ad placed in the Guardian at least one week prior to the date of the meeting.
- 4.2 The quorum at an Annual Meeting or any meeting of the Association shall consist of twenty-five members present.
- 4.3 The directors of the Association will meet as frequent as deemed necessary.
- 4.4 A quorum at a directors meeting shall consist of a majority of its membership.
- 4.5 The Executive of the Association will meet as frequently as necessary.
- 4.6 A quorum at an Executive meeting shall consist of a majority of the Executive Officers
- 4.7 Special Meetings of the Association shall be called by the President on request of three members of the Executive Committee, or on the written request of ten members of the Association. No subject shall be discussed or considered at any Special Meeting except as specified in a Notice of Meeting, published in advance by way of the Guardian. This Notice of Meeting shall be published seven (7) calendar days in advance of the meeting, and again during the 48-hour period preceding the scheduled meeting.

ARTICLE 5 - MEMBERSHIP

- 5.1 In addition to the Executive and Directors duly elected and/or appointed under the Constitution who shall be members of the Association, membership will be open to parent(s) or guardian(s) of each player who registers, or any other person(s) approved by the Executive.
- 5.2 A parent(s) or guardian(s) as defined by PEIHA Constitution, By-Laws and Regulations (Hereafter known as PEIHACB&R) referred to in Article 5.1 shall automatically become a member of the Association upon full payment of the registration fee for the hockey player(s) and shall continue to be a member for the period up to the conclusion of the next annual meeting.

ARTICLE 6 - VOTING RIGHTS

- 6.1 Only members of the Association present at Annual, Special, or General Meetings of the Association shall be eligible to vote at such meetings.

Decisions shall be by majority vote on all motions.

- 6.2 There will be a limit of one vote per family. If the child/children reside in more than one residence, the parent/guardian living in the primary residence shall have priority. The Register will resolve any voting disputes.

ARTICLE 7 - EXECUTIVE

- 7.1 The Executive of the Association shall consist of the following officers: Past President, President, 1st Vice-President, 2nd Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.
- 7.2 No person should serve in more than one capacity on the Executive at any one time.
- 7.3 No member of the Executive shall be eligible for election to any one office for more than four - 1 year terms in succession; other than the office of President, which will be for no more than two - 1 year terms.

ARTICLE 8 - DIRECTORS

- 8.1 The Directors of the Association shall consist of the following: Executive Officers, Division Directors, Ice-Scheduler, Referee-in-Chief, Chairperson of the Ways and Means Committee and Technical Co-ordinator or additional officer(s) appointed by the President & Executive.

ARTICLE 9 - ORGANIZATIONS

- 9.1 The organization of the Association shall be as outlined in the By-Laws in the Appendix of this Constitution.

ARTICLE 10 - REGISTRATION AND FEES

- 10.1 All players must be registered before participating in such hockey programs as may be organized by the Association.

- 10.2 A fee as determined by the Association and approved at the Annual Meeting must be paid for each player registering with the Association.

ARTICLE 11 - YEAR END

- 11.1 The year-end for financial accounting shall be April 15.

ARTICLE 12 - AUDIT OF FINANCIAL RECORDS

- 12.1 The financial records of the Association may be audited at year end by an auditor appointed by the Executive.

ARTICLE 13 - BY - LAWS

- 13.1 This Association shall adopt By-Laws not inconsistent with this Constitution, which shall include additional provisions for the operation of the Association. Such By-Laws may be amended from time to time as therein provided.

ARTICLE 14 - DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE

- 14.1 There shall be a Discipline Committee, the chair of which will be appointed by the Executive. The membership and duties of this committee shall be as stated in the North River Minor Hockey Association Bylaws.

ARTICLE 15 - SPECIAL COMMITTEES

- 15.1 The Executive may establish such Special Committees from time to time as they deem necessary to improve the NRMHA program, and their duties shall be stated in the motion authorizing their appointment.

ARTICLE 16 - VACANCIES

- 16.1 In the event of a vacancy occurring on the Executive Committee, including the office of Past President, the Executive may appoint a replacement to serve for the remainder of the unexposed term.

ARTICLE 17 - SUSPENSION OF MEMBERSHIP

- 17.1 On the recommendation of the Discipline Committee, the Executive may revoke the membership of any member for conduct deemed to be detrimental to the success of the NRMHA hockey program, or to the achievement of the objectives of the Association. Any membership so revoked may not be renewed until the Executive is satisfied that the person whose membership was revoked is willing to comply with the requirements of the Association governing his or her future conduct.

- 17.2 Any member whose membership has been revoked will be ineligible to attend any meeting or activity conducted by the Association unless his or her membership has been renewed.

ARTICLE 18 - AMENDMENTS

- 18.1 Any proposals to amend this Constitution shall be delivered to the Executive in writing by March 15.

- 18.2 Amendments to this Constitution may be proposed by a petition signed by a minimum of ten (10) members of the Association, or by a motion adopted by the Executive or Directors of the Association.

- 18.3 Notice that amendments to the Constitution are being proposed shall be given to all members of the Association together with notice of the Annual Meeting. Any member of the Association may learn of the amendments to the Constitution by contacting the Secretary/ Treasurer.

- 18.4 Amendments to this Constitution shall only be approved at an Annual Meeting or a Special General Meeting and require a two-thirds majority vote of the members present.