

6.4 The purpose of using affiliated players is to replace regular team players who are absent from the team and not to be used to fill a roster. Affiliated players are to replace rostered team players who are sick, injured, suspended or away from the team and are not to be used to increase a roster size.

6.5 General Affiliation Regulations for Minor Hockey as defined in 6.1 above and in Hockey Canada Regulation are applicable, except where defined herein.

1) Movement of players is restricted as follows:

Division	Affiliates to:
U18 AA	U18 A, B, C
U18 A	U18 B, C
U18 B	U18 C
U18 C	As approved by HNSMC
U15 AA	U15 A, B, C
U15 A	U15 B, C
U15 B	U15 C, U13 A, B
U15 C	As approved by HNSMC
U13 AAA	U13 AA, A, B, U11 AA
U13 AA	U13 A, B, U11 A, B
U13 A	U13 B, C, U11 A, B
U13 B	U13 C, U11 A, B
U13 C	As approved by HNSMC
U11 AA	U11 A, B, C
U11 A	U11 B, C
U11 B	U 11 C
U 11 C	As approved by HNSMC

Affiliation from all C levels to checking teams will require approval of HNSMC.

2) At no time may a player skip a Division for the purpose of affiliation (i.e.: U13 player cannot affiliate to U18)

3) U15 age players cannot affiliate to U18, with the exception of goaltenders, unless approved by the Regional Director.

4) Only players registered on a Team Registration form, and approved by the Regional Director, may advance to a team of a higher division or category for the purpose of affiliation.

5) Higher Division/Category Minor Teams must attain consent from the lower Division/Category team prior to using an affiliate player. Failure to comply may result in suspension of the offending team's Head Coach.

6) A maximum of three affiliates may be used by one team within one game.

7) With the exception of U13 AAA, U11, U15 or U18 AA, teams from within amalgamated Minor Hockey Associations may only draw upon affiliates from one team.

(Example - If a Minor Hockey Association has 3 "A" teams, that team must choose one "B" team only, to affiliate with). Affiliate teams are to be selected by December 1st.

8) Minor teams may use players from any combination of teams allowed within their club system affiliation.

9) For Minor Hockey Associations with 35 or fewer registered U18 players, the lowest affected team may, with approval of the Regional Director, affiliate to players in the U15 Division who are in their last year of U15 eligibility, in accordance with the club system.

10) All players above U13 must have taken the Approved 2014 HNS checking clinic before being eligible as an affiliate player at a checking level. This does not apply to goaltenders.

REGULATION SEVEN - PERMITS

7.1 Travel permits are required by any team wishing to play outside their Region. Travel permits are required for all exhibition games and tournaments whether at home or away.

7.2. Permits for travel within Canada are requested online and are reviewed and processed by the Regional Director Online. Please refer to the HNS website for the new Online Travel Permit Policy and instructions to set up an e-hockey account.

7.3 Permits for travel to the United States are obtained from the Branch through the HNS Executive Director or designate. Application should be made two months in advance.

7.4. Permits for overseas travel are obtained from Hockey Canada by application through the HNS Executive Director or designate. Application must be made by May 1 preceding the season in which the travel is planned.

7.5. Permits will only be issued for sanctioned tournaments or exhibition games. It is the responsibility of the team to ensure that any games or tournaments played in are sanctioned by the Hockey Canada Branch in whose jurisdiction they wish to play.

7.6. Teams at the U9 level shall not be permitted to travel outside the province of Nova Scotia.

7.7. Teams at the U11 level shall only be permitted to travel outside the province twice per season.

Tournament Permits:

7.9. Permits are required for tournaments hosted by Minor and Minor Female Councils to satisfy the sanction requirements of Hockey Canada.

7.10. Permits for tournaments involving Minor (Branch tournaments) are obtained from the Regional Director. There is no fee for these permits but two weeks' notice is required.