



Players Moving Up

Any consideration for a player moving up on a full time basis must take into account the best interest of the player in question. In addition, and equally important consideration must also be given to the best interests of any and all other players affected by such movement. The following process will be followed by Manvers Minor Hockey Association for a player to be moved to a higher age level:

Procedure:

1. A written request for movement, signed by a parent or guardian, addressed to the President or OMHA/3 County Rep must be made prior to September 1st of each year. Such a request must outline in detail specific reasons for this player movement.
2. Alternatively, low team membership may require the Executive to actively seek out players that would benefit from moving up. The MMHA Executive will ask coaches of the affected team to forward names of players that they feel would best benefit from a move up in division. Parents will be contacted when the Executive determines which players would benefit most.
3. In the case of a written request, the MMHA executive will instruct the Coach and Team Manager of each Division affected to review the request. An evaluation skate will be set up and the players will be assessed by a committee made up of independent knowledgeable hockey representatives along with the coaches from each division. The committee will report their findings and recommendations to MMHA immediately following their decision making.
4. MMHA will communicate the recommendations to the parent/player. The request will then be sent to the Victoria Durham Rep for approval.
5. The decision made by the MMHA Executive (or the Victoria Durham Rep) to allow or disallow player movement is final.

Considerations when reviewing a request for a player to move up:

- a. First consideration must be given to ensuring the player is playing at the level at which he/she is best suited. The criteria used in determining the best placement for the player are skill development, physical size and development and social development.
- b. A player must possess outstanding development levels in each of the noted areas and If it is the wish of the parents that they be moved to a higher level, the above process must be followed in all cases. MMHA will not approve any requests for player movement unless all criteria are met. This player will need to be in the top 25% of their current team.



- c. Consideration for player movement will not be given where such movement would be detrimental to any team in terms of player numbers. In other words, if such movement would leave a team with less than adequate player numbers, no consideration will be given for player movement in that instance. Furthermore if the team or level to which such a player would move up to already has adequate player numbers and an additional player would result in players already on the team not being given their fair allotment of playing time, MMHA will not allow player movement. If the team or level to which such a player moves up to does not have adequate players then movement up would be looked upon more favorably.