



Purpose:

To provide development opportunities for players to affiliate with teams, as well as providing an opportunity for higher division or category teams to dress the maximum number of players allowable for a game.

Affiliation Process:

All team staff are to abide by and follow the Nineteen-at Large Affiliation regulation from NOHA (Regulation 9)

Nineteen-at large (19) affiliate players:

- If a team has selected the maximum number of affiliate players, at least two (2) affiliate players must be goaltenders.
- Teams may only select affiliate players from a lower division or category
- No player is permitted to be part of more than one (1) affiliate players' list
- Teams from different divisions and/or categories competing within the same league are not permitted to affiliate between themselves.
- Minor-aged players registered on teams with both minor/major players will be allowed to affiliate with minor rep teams in their age category (i.e. a Minor Peewee A player on a Major Peewee A team can affiliate with a Minor Peewee AA Teams in a higher category). This would not apply to AAA Teams.
- For teams that are eligible for OHF, Regional and National Championships, a player of a team of a lower division or category may affiliate to a team of higher division or category at any time, to a maximum of ten (10) games per season;
- For all other categories and divisions of hockey, affiliation shall be unlimited
- Exhibition and/or tournament games, which are not part of regular league games or play-off games, are excluded from the maximum number of games.
- A team has until January 15th to fill the affiliate roster
- A coach wishing to affiliate a player must notify the coach of the team the player is carded with, and indicate the details of the event.
- Coaches may only request an affiliate player for playoff games, league games or tournaments when they have a shortened roster (less than 15 players and 2 goalies), because of players on their roster being sick, injured or not able to attend the event.
- If there is no conflict, the player must be given the opportunity to affiliate with the team requesting the affiliate player, in accordance with the NOHA regulations.
- Coaches in the NCHA are to encourage, promote and seek out affiliation opportunities for players on his/her team.



Priority Ranking:

- 1 Playoff Game
- 2 League Game
- 3 Tournament
- 4 Practice
- 5 Exhibition Game
- 6 Off Ice Event

Exceptions:

- A coach may decline an affiliation request if a player is under a team disciplinary action (i.e., a player that has been benched the first period of the next game due to bullying). The disciplinary action must be enforced and has been communicated to the parents for it to be considered valid.

Appeal Process

- If there is disagreement on the result by any of the parties, an email can be written to the respective Convener, where a decision is made.
- If there is still disagreement on the result by any of the parties, an appeal can be made in writing to the board
- This appeal must be heard at the next NCHA board meeting. The party in disagreement will communicate their case to the board. The board will excuse the party, debate the issue, vote and then inform the party of the decision.
- This decision is final unless the party would like to proceed to the NOHA appeal process.

Note: The NOHA Tournament of Champions is considered playoffs and therefore does count towards the ten (1) games total.

b) If an affiliate player's registered team completes its regular season and playoffs before the player's affiliated team, the player may thereafter affiliate an unlimited number of times.

c) Appearance of an affiliated player's name on the official game report of a game shall be considered participation in the game except in the case of an alternate goalkeeper, in which case only actual participation shall be considered as taking part in the game, and such participation shall be specially noted on the official game report

