

## **SDMHA**

### **2019 -20 Novice & Minor Novice Programming Outline**

SDMHA is committed to offering Novice and Minor Novice ( Sr. Tyke) programing this upcoming season. OMHA in consultation with Hockey Canada have developed a template guideline that minor hockey centres may follow to develop their Novice and below programming.

#### **SDMHA Novice Program Outline 2019-20 season: ( 2011 Players)**

- **Development Phase ( 6 Weeks) September – October**
  - Half Ice Set up
  - 2 Practices per week generally to be scheduled
  - Games will be at the discretion of the coach but will be no more than 6 games and 1 Jamboree (Tournament)
  - Scores will not be kept
  - Penalties will not be served and teams will not play short handed
  - Games will be refereed by one OMHA Certified official
- **Regular Season Phase ( 12 Weeks) November until Mid-January**
  - Half Ice Set up
  - 2 Practices per week generally to be scheduled
  - Games will be at the discretion of the coach but will be no more than 12-18 games and 1 Jamboree (Tournament)
  - Scores will not be kept
  - Penalties will not be served and teams will not play short handed
  - Games will be refereed by one OMHA Certified official
- **Transition Phase (8 Weeks) Mid-January to Mid-March**
  - Full Ice Set up
  - 2 Practices per week generally to be scheduled
  - Potentially 8 games of league play
  - Scores will be kept
  - Games to be officiated by two OMHA Certified Officials

#### **General Notes:**

- No Novice Age player may play up (Atom)
- Players may only be affiliated with an Atom Team during the transition phase at the discretion of the Executive
- Only Minor Novice Players may play up in Novice division based on SDMHA Player Movement Policies ie: one of the top 3 players in the particular category

## **SDMHA Minor Novice Program Outline 2018-19 season forward: (2012 Players)**

- **Development Phase ( 6 Weeks) September – October**
  - Half Ice Set up
  - 1-2 Practices per week generally to be scheduled
  - Games will be at the discretion of the coach but will be no more than 4 games and 1 Jamboree (Tournament)
  - Scores will not be kept
  - Penalties will not be served and teams will not play short handed
  - Games will be refereed by one OMHA Certified official
- **Regular Season Phase ( 12 Weeks) November until Mid-March**
  - Half Ice Set up
  - 1-2 Practices per week generally to be scheduled
  - Games will be at the discretion of the coach but will be no more than 18-26 games played on half ice
  - 3 Jamborees (Tournaments) after December 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Scores will not be kept
  - Penalties will not be served and teams will not play short handed
  - Games will be refereed by one OMHA Certified official

### **General Notes:**

- Only Minor Novice Players may play up in Novice division based on OMHA / SDMHA Player Movement Policies
  - If deemed able by ability using parameters identified by the Association or where registration numbers require
  - Centres must establish criteria that players would be required to meet in order to play on a higher division team.

**To be inserted onto the Rules of Operation Manual under section 5.1.2**

**Proposed Player Movement Policy (Novice and Below Only):**

Where as a player wishes to play in the next age category up (Minor Novice to Novice) OMHA has given the Minor Hockey Organization the authority to develop a player movement policy.

SDMHA deems it necessary to have a Player Movement Policy in place to facilitate the movement of players between the Minor Novice and Novice Age Categories.

A player may play up an age category where they may demonstrate the ability o compete at the higher level based on the following Criteria:

1. The players ability to compete is that equal to or exceeds the chosen category as evaluated by an approved designate(s) of the SDMHA Executive.
2. The player has demonstrated "Game Experience" that can be documented by referencing other Minor Hockey Organizations or Associations ( ie Female Hockey organizations, out of province organizations or others deemed appropriate by the executive on a case by case basis)
3. The added player will not adversely affect the chosen category's viability
4. The association deems it necessary to offer player movement in order to keep intact a particular age category due to declining enrollment/registration.