



INFORMATION BULLETIN

Date: June 26, 2014
To: Junior B & C Teams
From: Michelle Skilnick - Manager, Hockey Operations
SUBJECT: Hockey Canada Regulation Amendment – K. 30.1

At their Annual General Meeting, Hockey Canada approved an amendment to Import Regulation K. 30.1. The new wording for this Regulation, effective immediately in the 2014-2015 season is as follows:

- K. 30.1 Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in these Regulations, the following applies to Junior Hockey:**
- a) **No player having Canadian citizenship shall be classified as an Import;**
 - b) **Any player who meets the definition of Import in his first season of Junior hockey shall continue to be classified as an Import when registering to play Junior hockey in any subsequent seasons;**
 - c) **The maximum number of Imports that can register and play on a Junior team at any given time shall be seven (7) in the 2013-24 season, and shall be six (6) beginning in the 2014-15 season. A review of that maximum number shall occur prior to the 2015-16 season.**
 - d) **If a team requires special assistance through any unusual situation which develops, the Chair of Hockey Canada or his designate may permit a team to register and play Imports in addition to the number of number of Imports permitted under Regulation K.30.1 (c), using the same criteria set out in Bylaws 1214(a), (b) and (d).**

The rationale for this change is that this regulation should be applied to other categories of Junior Hockey. The current wording creates a potential for a scenario where a player transfers into a new Branch as a non-Import at Junior A but then would be considered an Import if released and signed to a lower category of Junior within that same Branch.

Should you have any questions regarding this Information Bulletin please feel free to contact the Hockey Alberta office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michelle Skilnick".

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