U15 NON-CHECKING / BODY CONTACT ONLY

MINOR LEAGUES TO IMPLEMENT NON-CHECKING / BODY CONTACT ONLY HOCKEY AT U15 DIVISION, TIERS 4-6 FOR 2020-2021 SEASON.

Hockey Alberta's Minor Leagues Committee, represented by Alberta's six (6) tiered Minor Hockey Leagues (CAHL, NAI, NEAHL, All Peace, Edmonton Federation & Hockey Calgary) having unanimously supported the implementation of non-checking / body contact only hockey at the Tiers 4 – 6 categories of the U15 division for the 2020-2021 season.

This decision to implement non-checking / body contact only at the Tier 4-6 categories of the U15 division comes after a thorough review of the survey feedback received from Hockey Alberta's membership with regards to the proposal to implement non-checking hockey.

As outlined below, Minor Hockey Associations participating in any of the six Minor Hockey Leagues, will be required to declare their teams in accordance with the Alberta One Standardized Tiering Grid. Those associations who only operate one (1) team within the U15 division will be given the one-time declaration at the start of each season to declare their intent for either "body checking" or "non-checking / body contact only" hockey within their league. Associations with two (2) or more teams will declare their teams as "body checking" and "non-checking / body contact only" as per the Standardized Tiering Grid.

2020-2021 ALBERTA ONE STANDARDIZED TIERING GRID

	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3		Tier 4	Tier 5	Tier 6	Total
	Body-Checking				Non-Checking / Body Contact Only			
One team			1 (Option)			1		
Two Teams		,	1		,	1		2
				1				
Three Teams	1		(Option)			1		3
Four Teams	1		1		1	1		4
Five Teams	1		1		1	1	1	5
Six Teams	1	1	1		1	1	1	6
	1	1	1		1	1	1	
Seven Teams	(0			1 Option)				7



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Eight Teams	1	1	<u> </u>		1	<u> </u>	1	8		
	1	1	1		1	1	1			
Nine Teams	1		1 (Option)					9		
Ten Teams	1 2			ptic			1	10		
Eleven Teams	1	2	2		2	2	1	11		
Twelve Teams	2	2	2		2		2	12		
I weive Teams	2		2			2	2	12		
Thirteen Teams		2	2	1	2	2	2	13		
		(Option)								
Fourteen Teams	2	2	2		2	2	2	1.4		
			1			1		14		
	2	2	2		2	2	2			
Fifteen Teams	1 1 (Option) 1							15		
Sixteen Teams	2	3	3		3	3	2	16		
Seventeen Teams	2	3	3		3	3	3	17		
Eighteen Teams	3	3	3		3	3	3	18		
	3	3	3		3	3	3			
Nineteen Teams	1						<u> </u>	19		
		(Option)								
Twonty Tooms	3	3	3		3	3	3	20		
Twenty Teams		•	1			1		20		
Twenty-One Teams	3	3	3		3	3	3			
	1 (Option) 1						1	21		
Twenty-Two Teams	3	4	4		4	4	3	22		
Twenty-Three Teams	3	4	4		4	4	4	23		
Twenty-Four Teams	4	4	4		4	4	4	24		
Twenty-Five Teams	4	4	4		4	4	4			
	1 (Option)									

Enclosed with this Bulletin is the 2020-2021 Alberta One Tiering Model and Grid, along with a "Frequently Asked Questions" document which will help aid the Minor Hockey Associations in the education of their hockey membership.

If you have any questions regarding the implementation of non-body checking at the U15 division, please contact either your League President or Bryden Burrell (bburrell@hockeyalberta.ca), Coordinator, Hockey Program.