



OPERATIONAL POLICY: JUNIOR B/C OVERAGE PLAYERS
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Junior Hockey is open to players twenty (20) years of age and younger in the current playing season, however Overage players may be permitted to register on Junior B or C Teams provided they meet the qualifications outlined herein and are approved through the proper process outlined in this policy.

Players are only eligible for Overage status if they are one birth year older than the maximum age for the Division (twenty-one years old as of December 31 of the current season).

Each team is allowed to register a maximum of four (4) Overage players, including affiliates.

A. Existing Teams

Overage player(s) must have been registered as a twenty (20) year old on or before January 10th of the previous year, and played after January 10th, within the same Junior "B/C" League.

If a player played more than five (5) games with a Junior "A" Team after January 10th of the previous season, they are ineligible for Overage status.

B. Junior "B/C" Teams Returning After a one (1) year Leave of Absence

Returning Teams may register an Overage player provided:

1. The potential Overage player registered and played with a Hockey Alberta Junior "B/C" team on or before January 10th of the previous year.

If a player played more than five (5) games with a Junior "A" team after January 10th of the previous season, they are ineligible for Overage status.

Note: The Player's last registered Junior "B/C" team holds the playing rights of the Player, and therefore may have the right to refuse a transfer. The potential Overage player must provide written confirmation from the last registered team that all commitments (i.e. return of equipment, fees, dues, or time allocated to fundraising, etc.) have been completed.

Or

2. The potential Overage player had previously registered in that community as a Junior "B/C" player.



C. New Junior "B/C" Teams

New Teams may register an Overage player provided that:

1. The potential Overage player registered and played with a Hockey Alberta Junior "B/C" team on or before January 10th of the previous year.

If a player played more than five (5) games with a Junior "A" team after January 10th of the previous season, they are ineligible for Overage status.

Note: The Player's last registered Junior "B/C" team holds the playing rights of the Player, and therefore may have the right to refuse a transfer. The potential Overage player must provide written confirmation from the last registered team that all commitments (i.e. return of equipment, fees, dues, or time allocated to fundraising, etc.) have been completed.

D. Players Returning from a Leave of Absence

A twenty-one (21) year-old Player who has had a leave of absence from Junior "B/C" hockey is eligible to register with the last Junior "B/C" club that they were registered with, providing the Player did not play any organized (Professional, Collegiate, International, etc.) hockey in their years of absence.

The Junior "B/C" Committee Chair is authorized to rule on these special cases in consultation with the League President.

E. Players Returning from Senior Hockey

A twenty-one (21) year-old who was last registered with a Senior hockey team is not eligible to return to Junior "B/C" hockey as an Overage player.

F. Players Returning from Non-Sanctioned Hockey

A twenty-one (21) year-old who was last registered with a Non-Sanctioned hockey team, is not eligible to return to Junior "B/C" hockey as an Overage player.

G. Exceptions to this Policy

Any applications for exceptions to this policy will be considered by the Junior "B/C" Committee Chair in consultation with the appropriate League President(s).