

## INFORMATION BULLETIN

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To: Minor Hockey Associations

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**SUBJECT: AA Hockey Model Expansion / Reduction of Recruitment Areas** 

The AA Hockey Model allows Recruitment Areas the opportunity to submit an application to the AA Hockey Committee to request to have the number of teams at a certain division expanded or reduced. Applications are due March 1, 2016.

## The AA Hockey Model states:

The AA Hockey Model has defined the maximum number of AA Teams that are permitted at each Division within Alberta. Teams have been allotted within each Recruitment Area based on registration statistics and historical data. The annual review process provides an opportunity to identify any need to expand or contract the number of teams within this model.

By March 1, a Recruitment Area has the ability to apply to the AA Hockey Committee for expansion or reduction of the number of teams within their area for the upcoming season. The application must be based on the following criteria:

- 1. Registration numbers have been reviewed to determine the appropriate number of players available within the Division.
- 2. Each Recruitment Area must include a minimum of one team for each Division (Peewee, Bantam and Midget).
- 3. Historical statistics have been reviewed to determine how competitive the teams have been within the Province.
- 4. Player development is the most important factor.

Applications will reviewed by the AA Hockey Committee, upon which time a decision will be rendered via Hockey Alberta letterhead from the Hockey Alberta Office.

**NOTE:** Applications that were submitted for the current season will again be reviewed by the AA Hockey Committee to determine if permanent changes are required for the 2016/2017 season.

For further clarification, please contact the Hockey Alberta Office.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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