



# INFORMATION BULLETIN

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To: Minor Hockey Associations  
Zone Teams  
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**SUBJECT: Registration Requirement – Respect in Sport (Parent) Program**

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At Hockey Alberta's 2016 Hockey Conference and Annual General Meeting a regulation amendment pertaining to player registration was announced for the upcoming 2016-2017 season. Completion of the Respect in Sport (Parent) course, by each family, is now required prior to players being eligible to be placed on a roster.

Minor Regulation "2. Player Registration" will state:

**2. Player Registration**

- 2.4 (a) A Player applying for the first time for registration with Hockey Alberta shall provide proof of age.
- (b) Any proof of age shall be an official birth certificate legally recognized by the civil authorities in Alberta.
- (c) In cases where it is impossible to secure birth certificates, the Executive Director may, if supporting evidence is considered satisfactory, accept in lieu thereof duly certified baptismal certificates issued before the age of 10 years, or the age at the date of entry into this country as certified by the form filled out at the port of entry or other suitable documents.
- (d) A Player applying for the first time for registration with Hockey Alberta shall provide proof of completion of and qualification in the Respect in Sport – Parent course. Proof of Respect in Sport – Parent shall be indicated by a card number showing on the player's registration in the Registry.**

Any player without proof of Respect in Sport (Parent) appearing on their Hockey Canada Registry (HCR) profile, is not eligible to be registered to a team roster in HCR and/or participate in on-ice activity with a team. In accordance with Minor Regulation 1.4, MHAs still have until the team's first league game or November 15 (whichever occurs first) of the current hockey season to register players to a team roster in HCR, however, this amendment ensures that families/players obtain certification in the Respect in Sport (Parent) program prior to finalizing the registration process.



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## **How will this affect your MHA?**

MHAs will direct a family seeking registration in Minor Hockey for the first time to create a profile and complete the “Respect in Sport for Hockey Canada Parents” online course (<https://hockeyalbertaparent.respectgroupinc.com>). MHAs will not be able to register a player(s) to a team roster and/or allow the player(s) to participate in on-ice activity with a team until this process has been completed and proof of Respect in Sport (Parent) appears on each player's HCR profile. Parents should be directed to register their children as their name(s) appears on their birth certificate(s). This will eliminate the need for the MHA registrar to create new profiles in HCR, thereby reducing the possibility of errors and duplicate profiles.

## **How will this affect a family / player?**

A family seeking registration in Minor Hockey, for the first time, will have to create a profile and complete the “Respect in Sport for Hockey Canada Parents” online course (<https://hockeyalbertaparent.respectgroupinc.com>) prior to the player(s) being eligible to be placed on a team roster and/or participate in on-ice activity with a team. Parents should register their children as their name(s) appears on their birth certificate(s). This will eliminate the need for the MHA registrar to create new profiles in HCR, thereby reducing the possibility of errors and duplicate profiles.

## **What if the family says they have already completed the course?**

The “Parent” program is different than the “Activity Leader” program and must be accessed using the program specific web address, username and password. If a family does not remember their username/password, they should click the “Recover Username or Reset Password” link. The “Important Date” is the parent's date of birth as setup at time of initial registration.

A card number will not appear under “Qualifications” on a player's registration in HCR if the course has not been fully completed, including the survey.

If a family has completed the course, but has another child registering for hockey for the first time, they will need to add that child to their profile. After logging into the site (<https://hockeyalbertaparent.respectgroupinc.com>), select “Profile”, “Child Management”, “Add a Child”. In the event of discrepancies, you can view the HCR ID number the card has been linked to.

If the course has been completed for a different sport, the family can import their card number by selecting “Register Your Profile” on the home page (<https://hockeyalbertaparent.respectgroupinc.com>).

Should you have any questions regarding this process please do not hesitate to contact your respective Minor Administration Coordinator or Allison Marriott ([amarriott@hockeyalberta.ca](mailto:amarriott@hockeyalberta.ca)).