



INFORMATION BULLETIN

Date: December 17, 2015
To: Minor Regulations Committee
From: Bryden Burrell
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SUBJECT: 2016 Zone Provincial Playdowns

After much consultation between Hockey Alberta's Hockey Operations and Communications Department's, the decision was made that **the entering of Zone Playdown scores onto the Hockey Alberta website would be handled by the office staff for the 2015-2016 season.** Arrangements will be made with the Zone Discipline and Sanctioning Committee to have all game sheets forwarded to the Hockey Alberta Office.

With that said, the Minor Regulations Committee will still be required to set up and coordinate each respective Playdown Draw within the Zone that they oversee. To lift the burden of entering all of the Zone Playdown Draws onto the Hockey Alberta Website, **a deadline of Wednesday, January 13th has been set to have all Playdown Draws to Randy Hupka for approval.** Once Draws have been approved, Randy will then forward onto the Hockey Alberta Office, so they can be entered onto the website.

To also improve consistency amongst all Zones with regards to the Zone Playdowns, the attached Zone Playdown Template Brackets are to be followed for each category depending on the number of teams entered into Playdowns.. For any first round byes, we ask that that position is determined first, so all teams have equal odds of receiving it. Once the bye (if applicable) is drawn, teams can be arranged into the other positions based on travelling distance. Secondly, for any teams that have been selected as a Provincial Championships Host, they will automatically play in the final round of the Playdowns. This is reflected in the Zone Playdown Template Brackets document.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone (403-967-0057) or by email (bburrell@hockeyalberta.ca).

Sincerely,

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