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Minor Hockey Leagues

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**SUBJECT: 2019 Provincial Championship Trial Project**

Over the last season, representatives from Hockey Alberta's Minor Leagues and Minor Regulations Committee have been discussing the future of Hockey Alberta's Provincial Championships. Having recently unveiled the Alberta One Standardized Tiering Model, Hockey Alberta will be continuing our collaboration with our Minor Hockey Leagues to encompass our Provincial Championships to ensure they remain the pinnacle event of the hockey season.

During the 2018-19 season, Hockey Alberta will be initiating a trial project to implement, test and review a possible Provincial Championship Model under the Alberta One Initiative.

## The 2019 Provincial Championship Trial Project Highlights

<b>Division</b>	Peewee
<b>Categories</b>	Tiers 1 – 4
<b>Tournament Dates</b>	March 28 – 31, 2019
<b>Format</b>	Eight Team Tournament
<b>Representatives</b>	League Champions, Host and One League Runner Up

It has become apparent that change to our Provincial Championships structure was required. Consistently, approximately 25% of all Zone Playdown and Provincial Championship games consist of a spread of six or more goals, while more than 50% of teams eligible for Provincial play are choosing not to participate. Zone Playdowns also contribute to a greater demand on teams to play additional games throughout the already busy last half of the season.

Under this trial project, the previous Peewee A – D Provincial Championships will transition to Peewee Tiers 1 – 4. Teams will not participate in Zone Playdowns, but will instead qualify as League Champions from the following leagues/ organizations:

- Hockey Calgary
- Hockey Edmonton
- Central Alberta Hockey League
- Northern Alberta Interlock
- All Peace Hockey League
- North Eastern Alberta Hockey League

The Peewee Tiers 1 – 4 Provincial Championship Tournaments will take place on the weekend of March 28 – 31, 2019. The events will consist of eight teams comprised of the league winners from the six above mentioned leagues/ organizations, one host team and one league runner-up that will be identified as a wild card team by the Minor Regulations and Minor Leagues Committees. Leagues/ organizations will be scheduling play to ensure that league champions are determined no later than Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>.



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Provincial Championships at the Atom, Bantam and Midget divisions will remain unchanged from past seasons. Minor Hockey Associations will declare their teams by December 1<sup>st</sup> with Zone Playdowns commencing in January.

Bid information on hosting any of the 2019 Provincial Championships will be communicated to all Minor Hockey Associations this summer. All dates for the 2019 Hockey Alberta Provincial Championships are enclosed for your reference.

If you have any questions regarding the 2019 Provincial Championship Trial Project, please contact either your Zone Minor Regulations Coordinator or myself.



## 2019 HOCKEY ALBERTA PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS PRESENTED BY ATB FINANCIAL

CATEGORY / DIVISION	DATES
Senior AAA Male	Provincial Playoff
Senior AA Male	March 28 – 31, 2019 (Wainwright)
Junior A Male	League Playoffs
Junior B Male	April 4 – 7, 2019 (Wetaskiwin)
Junior C Male	March 29 – 31, 2019 (Calgary)
Midget AAA	League Playoffs
Minor Midget AAA	March 21 – 24, 2019
Midget AA	March 28 – 31, 2019 (Edmonton)
Midget A	March 21 – 24, 2019
Midget B	March 21 – 24, 2019
Midget C	March 21 – 24, 2019
Midget D	March 21 – 24, 2019
Midget Female AAA	March 22 – 24, 2019
Midget Female Elite	March 28 – 31, 2019
Midget Female A	March 21 – 24, 2019
Midget Female B	March 21 – 24, 2019
Bantam AAA	League Playoffs
Bantam AA	March 21 – 24, 2019 (Calgary)
Bantam A	March 14 – 17, 2019
Bantam B	March 14 – 17, 2019
Bantam C	March 14 – 17, 2019
Bantam D	March 14 – 17, 2019
Bantam Female Elite	March 21 – 24, 2019
Bantam Female A	March 14 – 17, 2019
Bantam Female B	March 14 – 17, 2019
Pewee AA	March 28 – 31, 2019 (SCAHL)
Pewee Tier 1	March 28 – 31, 2019
Pewee Tier 2	March 28 – 31, 2019
Pewee Tier 3	March 28 – 31, 2019
Pewee Tier 4	March 28 – 31, 2019
Pewee Female A	March 21 – 24, 2019
Pewee Female B	March 21 – 24, 2019
Atom AA Major	March 14 – 17, 2019
Atom AA Minor	March 14 – 17, 2019
Atom A	March 14 – 17, 2019
Atom B	March 14 – 17, 2019
Atom C	March 14 – 17, 2019
Atom D	March 14 – 17, 2019
Atom Female	March 14 – 17, 2019