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**To:** ALLIANCE Hockey Associations and Board of Directors  
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**Subject:** Update – Hockey Canada Regulation E35.A - Affiliation

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At the November 9<sup>th</sup> OHF meeting a review of the current Hockey Canada Regulation E35A took place and it was determined that the regulation needs to be implemented for the 2013-14 Season as it relates to Provincial and National Championships.

The Definition of Provincial and National Championships are as follows:

**OHF Championships**

Atom A, Atom AA and Atom AAA

Peewee A, Peewee AA

Bantam A, Bantam AA

Midget A, Midget AA

**Hockey Canada Championships**

Peewee AAA, Bantam AAA and Midget AAA

**Hockey Canada Rule E35A Affiliation Reads:**

“A player of a team of a lower Division or category of the same club, or of an affiliated team, or a specially affiliated player, may affiliate to a team or teams of higher Divisions and categories at any time, to a maximum of ten (10) games. However, if the player’s registered team completes its regular season and playoffs before the player’s affiliated team or teams, the player may thereafter affiliate an unlimited number of times. For goaltender exceptions see Regulations B.42, E36 (b).”

For the remainder of the 2013-14 season HC Regulation E35.a) will be applied to any player registered on a team or affiliated to a team eligible for Branch, Regional or a National Championships. These players may affiliate to a maximum of ten (10) games before becoming ineligible to affiliate. If a player plays an 11<sup>th</sup> game as an affiliate while his registered team is still in regular season or playoffs he is considered an ineligible player and the sanctions for playing an ineligible player ALLIANCE Hockey regulation 40.01

In addition, for the remainder of the 2013-14 season, a player that is affiliating to a higher category within a minor division may affiliate any number of times without being deemed to be ineligible. This will also apply to those players registered in categories below “A” programming at the Minor Development and Select levels of competition.

In January 2014 OHF Minor Council will review the application of E.35 A) and a process to be used going forward for the 2014-15 season will be determined. In order to ensure that players and teams are not penalized unnecessarily due to the delay in communicating the appropriate affiliation procedure, the application of the Regulation will commence as of December 16, 2013. Any player that is registered on a team or affiliated to a team eligible for Branch, Provincial or National Championships as previously defined who has exceeded the maximum ten (10) game affiliation will not be deemed to have been ineligible, however, they are no longer eligible to affiliate for the remainder of the season unless their registered team completes its regular season and playoffs before the player’s affiliated team.



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**Please Note:**

Tournaments and exhibition games shall NOT count as part of the player's (10) games.

ALLIANCE Hockey Regulation 22.0.3) No longer applies and players will not advance automatically to their affiliated team if they exceed the ten (10) game maximum.

ALLIANCE Hockey Regulation 22.0.3) Will apply to Minor Development and Select Hockey.

ALLIANCE Hockey Regulation 22.0.5 remains in effect and "No player may be used as an affiliated player without the consent of his/her ALLIANCE Hockey approved team."

**EXAMPLES:**

(1) FOR BRANCH, PROVINCIAL AND NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP ELIGIBLE TEAMS

Player 'A' is registered to a Minor Midget AAA team and is an affiliate player to a Midget AAA team. He is eligible to participate as an affiliate player for a maximum of ten (10) games with the Midget AAA team while his Minor Midget AAA team is still in regular season or playoffs.

(2) FOR BRANCH, PROVINCIAL AND NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP ELIGIBLE TEAMS

Player 'B' is registered to a Peewee AAA team and is an affiliate player to a Minor Bantam AAA team. He is eligible to participate as an affiliate player for a maximum of ten (10) games with the Minor Bantam AAA team while his Peewee AAA team is still in regular season or playoffs.

(3) FOR BRANCH, PROVINCIAL AND NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP ELIGIBLE TEAMS

Player 'C' is registered to an Atom MD team and is an affiliate player to an Atom "A" team. He is eligible to participate as an affiliate player for a maximum of ten (10) games with the Atom "A" team while his MD Team is still in regular season or playoffs.

(4) FOR TEAMS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR BRANCH, PROVINCIAL AND NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Player 'D' is registered to an Minor Atom "A" team and is an affiliate player to an Minor Atom "AA" team. He is eligible to affiliate player for the 2013 – 14 season an unlimited number of times.

