### Quick Reference Guide – Female Midget AAA

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11.01.01.02 Female Midget AAA Advisory Committee:

Shall consist of the Female Midget AAA Chairperson (who shall be an Officer), Female Midget AAA Coordinator, BC Hockey Staff Resource, BC Hockey Female Development Coordinator, BC Hockey Female High Performance Coordinator, two District Directors, two Team Representatives and the Statistician.

a) Shall meet at the discretion of the Chair and approval of the President;

b) Committee is resource only and will not be involved in the day to day operations of the league;

c) Review Female Midget AAA Policy and draft recommendations/changes at end of season, Female Midget AAA Chair to present any suggested changes to the Executive Committee for approval.
11.01.01.03 Female Midget AAA Chair:

The Chair shall be a BC Hockey Officer At Large appointed annually by the BC Hockey President

Chair Responsibilities

- Represent the Female Midget AAA League on the BC Hockey Executive Committee
- Serve as Chair of the Female Midget AAA Team Representative Selection Committees
- Serve as Chair of the Female Midget AAA Team Staff Selection Committees
- Responsible for the coordination of league operations
- Submits a report annually to the BC Hockey Executive Committee
- Shall deal with all Match and Gross Misconducts in the Female Midget AAA League, Investigate and issue suspension notices as required
- Decide all protests and complaints
- Monitor penalty minutes, notify teams of excessive penalties and administer disciplinary action as deemed necessary
- Oversee the Policy Manual review process at end of season and submit recommendations to BC Hockey Executive Committee
- Participate in end of season Female Midget AAA team official interviews
- Shall have the authority to address situations that are not set out in the policy manual, and shall report such situations to the Executive Committee
- Chair the orientation meeting
- Approves the final league schedule
- Is the Branch representative for the All-Star Game and Regional Championships

11.01.01.04 Female Midget AAA Coordinator:

The Female Midget AAA Chair shall recommend a candidate for the position of Female Midget AAA Coordinator for approval by the Executive Committee.

Responsibilities to the Female Midget AAA Committee Chair

Responsibilities:

- Oversees the day to day operations of the Female Midget AAA League
- Implements programming for Female Midget AAA
- Serve on Female Midget AAA Staff Selection Committees
- Assist teams as required in the preparation and distribution of the evaluation camp format and schedule to team officials/ice providers
- Assist teams as required in the booking of ice at each zone evaluation camp location
- Assist teams as required in recommending Female Midget AAA evaluation camp staff
- Coordinate Female Midget AAA evaluation camps with Branch staff
- Prepare draft league schedule, once reviewed by the Female Midget AAA Chair send to all ice providers for approval
- Coordinate All-Star Games in conjunction with BC Hockey Resource staff resource person
- Provide BC Hockey Female Officiating Coordinator with Female Midget AAA game schedules
k) Submit semi-annual and annual reports to Chair for presentation to BC Hockey Executive Committee
l) In conjunction with the chair coordinate the playoff schedule
m) Ensure all Female Midget AAA staff have Hockey Canada required team official’s certification
n) Assist Female Midget AAA Championship Team in preparation for Regional/National Championships
o) In conjunction with the chair Coordinate and participate in end of season Female Midget AAA team official exit interviews
p) Review and recommend changes and additions to Female Midget AAA Policy Manual to Chair for presentation to Executive Committee
q) Assist with Female Midget AAA Advisory Committee and League operating budget
r) Issue suspension notices for automatic suspensions
s) Refer indefinite suspensions or injury related offices to Chair
t) Verify accuracy of the game sheets
u) Ensure Player of the Month and All Star Game/Team nominations are sent to the BC Hockey office on time
v) Liaise with Staff Resource on player eligibility issues
w) Coordinate the orientation meeting with the Chair and Staff Resource

11.01.01.05 BC Hockey Staff Resource

a) Assist the chair in ensuring that all organizational and operational activities are carried out, completed in a timely manner in compliance with Hockey Canada and BC Hockey rules, regulations and policies.
b) Oversee Web based Training Program for Team Officials and players as required.
c) Ensure all teams are supplied with a copy of the Female Midget AAA Policy.
d) Duties and tasks as directed by the Female Midget AAA Chair.
## FEMALE MIDGET AAA

### 11.01.02.01 Female Midget AAA Boundaries

The BC Hockey Executive Committee shall approve the Female Midget AAA Draw Zone Boundaries.

The BC Hockey Executive Committee has approved five draw zones. The zone boundaries and Minor Hockey Associations included in each of the respective zone areas established by BC Hockey are:

- **Kootenay Zone** including Beaver Valley, Boundary, Canal Flats, Castlegar, Cranbrook, Creston, Elk Valley, Fernie, Golden, Grand Forks, Kaslo, Kimberley, Midway, Nakusp, Nelson, Rossland Trail, Windermere Valley
- **North Zone** including Burns Lake, Chetwynd, Clearview, Dawson Creek, Fort Nelson, Fort St. James, Fort St. John, Fraser Lake, Hazelton, Houston, Hudson Hope, Kitimat, Mackenzie, McBride, Quesnel, Prince George, Prince Rupert, Smithers, Stewart, Stikine, Taylor, Terrace, Tumbler Ridge, Valemount, Vanderhoof, Williams Lake, Yukon, 100 Mile House
- **Okanagan Zone** including Chase, Clearwater, Kamloops, Kelowna, Lillooet, Logan Lake, Lumby, Merritt, Penticton, Princeton, Revelstoke, North Okanagan (Armstrong/Enderby), Salmon Arm, Sicamous, South Okanagan (Oliver, Osoyoos), Summerland, Thompson Cariboo, Vernon, Winfield, Westside
- **Island Zone** including Alberni Valley, Campbell River, Comox Valley, Cowichan Valley, Gold River, Juan de Fuca, Kerry Park, Lake Cowichan, Nanaimo, Oceanside, Peninsula, Powell River, Saanich, Sooke, Tri Ports (Port Alice, Port McNeill, Port Hardy), Victoria, Victoria Racquet Club
- **Vancouver Zone** including Abbotsford, Aldergrove Arbutus Club, Burnaby Minor, Burnaby Winter Club, Coquitlam, Chilliwack, Cloverdale, Hollyburn Country Club, Hope, Langley, Langley Female, Mission, New Westminster, North Delta, North Vancouver, North Shore Female, North Shore Winter Club, Port Coquitlam, Port Moody, Ridge Meadows, Richmond, Seafair, South Delta, Semiahmoo, Squamish, Sunshine Coast, Surrey, Vancouver, Vancouver Thunderbirds, West Vancouver, Whistler, Richmond Girls, Vancouver Girls, Abbotsford Female, Meadow Ridge Female, Surrey Female, Tri Cities Female

### 11.01.02.02 Draw Zone Adjustment

Requests for adjustments to a draw zone can be submitted to BC Hockey by the District Association. The BC Hockey Executive Committee shall approve all adjustments to the BC Hockey Female Midget Zone AAA draw zones.

### 11.01.02.03 Zone Team Applications

- Applications to register a Female Midget AAA team must include the following:
  - District letter of position including the overall application and draw zone
  - Proposed player draw zone
  - A guarantee of two one and a quarter (1.25) hour practices per week and all game ice required to meet league requirements
  - The BC Hockey Executive Committee shall consider applications from host associations by January 10.
In order to be considered for approval by January 10, team host applications must be received by the BC Hockey Executive Director prior to 4:30 pm on January 2.

Applications received after March 1st shall be brought forward to the BC Hockey Executive Committee at the discretion of the Female Midget AAA League Chairperson. A decision on applications received after January 2 shall be communicated to the applicant within thirty (30) days of receipt by BC Hockey.

June 15 – final date to withdraw an application to participate in the BC Hockey Female Midget AAA League for the upcoming season.

Teams approved for participation in the Female Midget AAA League will be limited based on the number of female players registered in the geographic subdivision (draw zone) of the zone; North 1, Kootenay 1, Okanagan 1, Island 1 and Pacific Coast 3.

11.01.02.04 Minor Associations

a) Background - Each Female Midget AAA team will be a member of a minor hockey association. The Association will establish a player participation fee to cover team expenses.

b) Host Associations - Female Midget AAA League teams shall be registered with BC Hockey by way of a minor hockey association within their respective zone. The BC Hockey Executive Committee will approve the host associations annually with consideration of recommendations from the respective District(s).

c) The Minor Hockey Association shall provide the team with a minimum of two 1.25 hour practices per week and host, or coordinate, game ice as determined by the Female Midget AAA league schedule.

d) The District Association may assist the teams in finding ice if necessary.

e) Players must be approved by BC Hockey Registrar prior to participating in any Female Midget AAA league, playoff or tournament game.
ADMINISTRATION

11.01.03.01 Female Midget AAA Team Representative

Each team shall have a Team Representative (will usually be the team Manager) and host MHA to assist with scheduling games and team finances.

Selection:
Recommended annually by the District and MHA to Female Midget AAA Committee Chair for approval by BC Hockey Executive.

Reports to: Female Midget AAA Coordinator

Responsibilities:
  a) Maintain open communication with team officials, District and host association Presidents
  b) Coordinate and oversee team selection / evaluation camps.
  c) Coordinate evaluators for team evaluation camps in conjunction with district high-performance coordinator/ evaluators and head coach
  d) Coordinate ice facilities with Female Midget AAA Coordinator and host associations
  e) Work with host associations and District in resolving ice issues
  f) Monitor team operations and expenses
  g) Maintain communication with the Chair and Female Midget AAA Coordinator
  h) Notify Female Midget AAA Chair of all disciplinary issues
  i) Notify Female Midget AAA Chair of any protests/complaints/appeals and any areas of concern that may arise
  j) Provide Female Midget AAA Chair with regular reports and updates as required/ requested
  k) Monitor and ensure all BC Hockey and Hockey Canada timelines and mandatory/important dates, rules and regulations are strictly adhered to
FINANCIAL

11.01.04.01 Budget

Associations shall be responsible for their team’s budget; a separate bank account shall be set up for each Female Midget AAA team and must have at least two signing authorities. Each team, through their MHA, shall be responsible for collection of fees from players and reimbursements, if applicable.

In accordance with the following schedule each team shall submit team financial statements to the Female Midget AAA Coordinator:

a) no later than August 31st, a proposed annual budget
b) a year to date (YTD) on October 31st
c) A year to date (YTD) on January 31st
d) A year end financial statement by March 31st, with exception of the BCH Champion whom shall submit their year end following regional/national playoffs.

11.01.04.02 Hotels/Transportation

Transportation to all league, exhibition and play-off games shall be the responsibility of the Team. Accommodation and meals, if required, shall be the financial responsibility of the Team.

11.01.04.03 Game Finances

The home team shall be responsible for all costs associated with the games including paying the officials.

- Equalize payment of ice and game officials for all league and championship games.
- The intent of this policy is to ensure all teams participating in the Female Midget AAA League cover the ice and game official costs of an equal number of games. It will be the responsibility of the host team to cover the ice and game official costs for the league weekend that they are scheduled for. In the event that any one team is having to host more games (league/championships) then the other teams competing in the Female Midget AAA League the following will occur:

  a) If one or more teams have not hosted a league weekend they will be required to cover the game costs of the ice and game officials at the championships up to and equal to the number of games other teams have hosted;
  b) Should there still be an imbalance in the number of games each team competing in the Female Midget AAA League has hosted, the balance of the costs for the ice and game officials will be split evenly amongst all the teams competing in the Female Midget AAA League.
  c) Ice costs will be as that of the venue where the championships are being hosted.

The Chair shall have the authority to settle any and all disputes with regard to the equalization of games each team hosts to ensure the intent of the policy is met.
11.01.04.04 Fundraising

a) Teams may fund raise and acquire local or regional/district sponsors. Any individual team sponsorship in excess of $25,000 must be approved by the Branch President.
b) Teams must abide by fundraising / advertising policies as established by BC Hockey, their District and host MHA.
c) Teams must ensure all licenses and local by-laws are met when participating in fundraising activities.
d) Gaming events like (50/50 and raffle tickets) are acceptable providing current licensing requirements are met.
e) No advertising, name bars, or other patches may be applied to team jerseys without prior consent of the Chair of Female Midget AAA League after consultation with the Branch President.
TEAM OFFICIALS

11.01.05.01 Requirements

All team officials must adhere to the philosophical values of BC Hockey. The following applies to the application process:

a) All individuals wishing to apply for a head coach position on a Female Midget AAA Team shall submit an application form to BC Hockey by February 15. For all new applicants their applications MUST be accompanied by their hockey resume to be considered.
b) Notwithstanding the specified dates, if a qualified team official application is received after the dates, the application shall be considered.
c) If no applicant is deemed suitable, the application process shall be extended.
d) All team officials shall be non-parents of players playing in the Female Midget AAA League. The BC Hockey Executive Committee may approve an exemption should no other applications be received upon the Female Midget AAA Chairs recommendation.
e) All teams shall card a Hockey Canada Safety Person or Team Trainer with HCSP certification. HCSP unless a certified Team Trainer are not permitted to participate on the bench during games or on the ice during practices.
f) Managers will be registered as carded officials but will not be permitted to participate on the bench during games or on the ice during practices.
g) All team officials are to complete a criminal record check and disclosure form and submit them to BC Hockey prior to the evaluation camp.

11.01.05.02 Selection

Team officials shall be recommended by the Chair of the BC Hockey Midget AAA Leagues and ratified by the BC Hockey Executive Committee as follows:

a) Selection of New Team Officials
   • Shall be selected by a Committee consisting of the Chair of the BC Hockey Midget AAA Leagues, a BC Hockey technical support person after consultation with the District Director(s) and District President(s).
   • Appointments shall be ratified by the BC Hockey Executive Committee.

b) Selection of Returning Team Officials
   • Shall be recommended by the Chair of the Midget AAA Leagues in conjunction with the Female Midget AAA Coordinator, a BC Hockey technical support person and consultation with the District Director(s) as well as feedback through player/parent League Evaluations
   • Appointments shall be ratified by the BC Hockey Executive Committee

a) Head Coach

   Qualifications:
   • NCCP Development 1 Certification (formally known as Intermediate) level minimum
   • Speak Out/Respect in Sport
   • Criminal Record Check
   • Strong hockey background in playing, coaching and evaluating
• Experience in staff management
• Strong interest and commitment to high performance athlete development
• Ability to work with fellow team officials
• Committed to the development of female hockey
• Ability to communicate on-ice and off-ice requirements to players and parents
• References upon request

Responsibilities:
• Develop seasonal plan to focus on skill development of all players and submit to the BCH District Female HP Coordinator by September 15 of current season.
• Communicate effectively with players, parents and league.
• Ensure all staff members have a clear understanding of their role with the team.
• Ensure all players are being played regularly unless discipline issues prevent such.
• Adhere to and abide by the rules and regulations of HC and BCH and Female Midget AAA League Policy.
• Communicate on-ice and off-ice requirements and expectations to players and parents.
• Responsible for conduct of players before, during and after games and practices
• Organize parent meetings as required.(Minimum 3 annually)
• Be the leader of all the team staff and direct and supervise such members.

b) Assistant Coach Qualifications and Responsibilities
Qualifications: see Head Coach above

Responsibilities:
• Assist the Head Coach in carrying out the development of all players and duties/tasks on and off ice as assigned by the Head Coach.

c) Team Manager
Term: 1 season
Selection:
Process defined by the District and Host MHA.

Qualifications:

Experience in Competitive team management
• Good organizational and communication skills
• Experience with and able to prepare annual team budgets
• Access to electronic messaging systems to send and receive required correspondence
• Ability to receive all League correspondence and respond appropriately
• Criminal Record Check
• Speak Out/ Respect in Sport certified
• Be available for team staff meetings and parent meetings.

Responsibilities:
The manager will be the first line of communication and contact for the parents. The manager may involve the coach if necessary.
• Assist Team Representative with coordination of evaluation camps
• Submit evaluation camp financial summary within two weeks of its conclusion to the
Female Midget AAA Chair.
- Develop annual team budget in concert with coaching staff for MHA approval.
- Present budget to team.
- Coordinate travel, accommodation, and meals for team.
- Obtain necessary equipment and supplies for team.
- Coordinate team financial matters including player fees, sponsorship, advertising, etc.
- Complete all required monthly reports and updates as requested.
- Submit team financial statements through the Host MHA to the Female Midget AAA Coordinator as indicated in the Budget section above.
- Ensure players are from within the defined draw zone and meet Hockey Canada residential requirements.
- Ensure all Hockey Canada Registration requirements are completed and that players meet necessary eligibility requirements.
- Ensure the team abides by all BC Hockey and Hockey Canada rules, regulations and policies.
- Ensure that all suspensions are served as required by BC Hockey rules and regulations.
- Assist in the control and conduct of players before, during and after the game
- Assist with implementation of the Team First program with the team and parents.
- Ensure Team First Contracts are signed by all carded staff, players and parents.
- Fax or email a copy of the game sheet to the League Chair at the conclusion of the game and mail the original game sheets of all games played to the Female Midget AAA Coordinator within 24 hrs of completion of the game or completion of tournament.
- Request permission to enter a tournament or play exhibition game(s) from Female Midget AAA Chair. Obtain game numbers from Female Midget AAA Coordinator and tournament travel permission from Chair before participating.
- Pay referee fees for home games.
- Ensure that there is a certified HCSP person for each game.
- Ensure that affiliate player use follows Female Midget AAA, Hockey Canada and BC Hockey Regulations and policies.
- Ensure all team officials and players are properly registered on the HCR with the Association Registrar.
  - Minimum of 72 hours notice to request Exhibition games
  - Minimum of 30 days notice to request to attend tournaments. Teams are to copy the Branch office with team applications to the tournaments

*Teams, may appoint a team financial manager to maintain team finances and fund organize/manage fundraising activities and funds

11.01.05.03 Release of Team Officials

Team officials are expected to provide a good example to the players in their charge. As a result, an offence committed by a team official shall be deemed to be a serious offence. Team officials may be released from a Female Midget AAA team for the following reasons:
- Inappropriate control over conduct of players
- Disrespect for the rules, regulations and policies of Hockey Canada and/or BC Hockey
- Failure to follow the philosophy and/or philosophical values of BC Hockey and the Female Midget AAA League
• Excessive penalties
• Failure to uphold BC Hockey Zero tolerance policy.
• Failure to meet team obligations

If a situation is of sufficient seriousness, the Chair shall have the authority to suspend or release a team official from a team. The Chair shall then direct the Female Midget AAA Coordinator to investigate the incident and report to the Chair.

11.01.05.04 Team First

All team members; players, coaching staff, parents/guardians, and officials shall be required to sign Team First Contracts before playing their first League game. Failure by the parent to sign a Team First Contract will result in the player being released from the team.

11.01.05.05 Speak Out/Respect in Sport

All BC Hockey Female Midget AAA team officials must complete the Speak Out!/Respect in Sport Certification Clinic by December 1st of the current season.

11.01.05.06 Hockey Canada Safety Program (HCSP)

All Hockey Canada carded teams must have an HCSP official carded by December 1st of the current season in accordance with BC Hockey regulations. The team HCSP person shall not be permitted on the bench during games unless otherwise qualified and approved by the Female Midget AAA Chair. Note that the parent of any member of a team shall not be permitted on that team’s bench during games.
TEAM REGISTRATION

11.01.06.01 BC Hockey Team Administration Fee

As determined by BC Hockey Executive Committee each Female Midget AAA League team shall be assessed a BC Hockey team administrative fee to cover the Branch administrative costs, scheduling meetings, coach meetings, conference calls and expenses related to the league. BC Hockey shall assess a team administration fee to all teams by September 1st. Fees shall be due by September 30th.

Fee is the same for each team regardless of the number of players.

11.01.06.02 Team Names

- All team names must be approved by the BC Hockey Executive Committee.
- A Team’s approved name shall not be altered or changed in any way, including the addition of sponsor names, during the course of the season.
- Application to change a team’s name must be made in writing to BC Hockey by April 30.
PLAYER REGISTRATION

11.01.07.01 Player Fees

- Each Minor Association shall be responsible for the operational costs of their Female Midget AAA team. Player fees shall include the costs for the players to play for that team within the Female Midget AAA league for the season.
- Players shall pay the registration fees normally charged to players in the Host Association plus any additional fees necessary to meet team budgets and BCH team fees.
- Players are responsible for any expenses incurred by their zone team during the season over and above the registration/player fee.
- In future years cost sharing will be investigated and recommendations brought to the BC Hockey Executive Committee.

11.01.07.02 Refunds

- Host Associations, in conjunction with the District where appropriate, shall establish a refund policy.

11.01.07.03 Registration/Carding Procedures

Each team shall receive access to a maximum of twenty-five electronic Player Registration Certificates via the Hockey Canada Registration system (HCR). A team may register twenty players at any one time, two of which must be goaltenders. Prior to the first league, tournament or playoff game, the registering team manager must:

a) Each team shall receive access to a maximum of twenty-five electronic Player Registration certificates via the BC Hockey Online Carding system. The team manager prior, to September 15th must register all players and team officials on the BC Hockey carding system.

b) Ensure all players sign a copy of their completed online card;  
c) In order to be eligible for the BC Hockey Female Midget AAA Championships, Regional and National playoffs the team shall be required to have registered seventeen (17) players on Hockey Canada Registration Certificates (at least two of whom must be goaltenders) on or before October 15th of the current season. Teams must obtain approval from the BC Hockey Executive Committee through the Female Midget AAA Chairperson should they not be able to card seventeen (17) players.

d) Membership for Female Midget AAA teams shall commence upon acceptance of the team's registration by the Executive Director of BC Hockey and shall expire annually on April 30.

11.01.07.04 Affiliation

- BC Hockey Female Midget AAA teams may affiliate players from within their approved draw zone.
There shall be no "permanent affiliate" players in the Female Midget AAA League.

An affiliate player registered with a Winter Club may affiliate as follows:
  i) Eligibility for affiliation purposes is to be determined by the location of the Winter Club.
  ii) Teams may only affiliate with players of Winter Clubs located within the Female Midget AAA team's approved draw zone
  iii) A Winter Club player’s residence is not to be considered when determining the player’s eligibility as an affiliate.

Affiliate players where at all possible should be midget aged female players registered with BC Hockey. Where a bantam aged affiliate player is used such player(s) shall be limited to a maximum of 8/league/playoff/games in the playing season.

Players aged PeeWee and below are not eligible to register as an affiliate to a Midget AAA team.

Registration of an affiliate player requires the written permission of the player’s MHA. Once an affiliate player's information is submitted electronically, a copy of the page must be printed and signed by both the player and the signing authority of the player's home MHA. (Fax copies shall be considered as valid proof)

Players registered on carded or recreational ("house" or "C") teams, may affiliate to a Female Midget AAA League team.

Teams may not use an affiliate player (except under emergency conditions) when the Affiliate Player’s team is playing. Affiliate players shall only be used as replacements for the following emergency conditions:
  • Injuries
  • School Activities which supersede hockey
  • Suspensions/Disciplinary action

A player's team may not unreasonably deny a player the opportunity to play as an Affiliate. Note: this provision applies to players affiliating from MHAs to Female Midget AAA teams, as well as players affiliating from Female Midget AAA teams to Junior or Senior clubs.

Consent of an affiliate player’s regular team must be obtained prior to using the player in a game or practice.

An Affiliate player who has played the maximum number of games permitted under Hockey Canada rules and/or BC Hockey policy may not be used as an affiliate unless her registered team has been eliminated from playoff competition. Players qualifying under this policy may be assessed a fee as prescribed by the Minor Hockey Association.

Female Midget AAA League players shall not affiliate to a Juvenile team.

No affiliates may be added to a team roster prior to January 10th.

League Coordinator should be notified when AP players will be used.

11.01.07.05 Player Releases

Players may be released for the following reasons:
  a. Disciplinary problems
  b. Use of drugs or alcohol
  c. Non-payment of player fees
  d. Player requests to play at a higher division or return to Minor Hockey Association.
  e. Safety or risk management concern to the player
f. Deemed by the Female Midget AAA Chair to be in the best interests of the team and/or player.

An application to remove a player from a team roster must be made in writing to the Female Midget League Chair, and District Association, setting out reasons for the removal of the player.

If a player with disciplinary issues is being considered for removal from the team, the player and parents must be made aware of the problems and given the opportunity to correct her behavior prior to submitting the application.
PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

11.01.08.01 Midget Aged Players

All Female Midget aged players (15, 16 or 17 years old within the calendar year) residentially eligible to register and play minor hockey within BC Hockey are eligible to register on a Female Midget AAA team.

11.01.08.02 Under-Aged Players

No under-aged players will be permitted to be registered with a Female Midget AAA team.

11.01.08.03 Residential Qualifications

The residential qualifications for Female Midget AAA teams shall be those adopted by BC Hockey and Hockey Canada.

Note 1: Regarding Winter Club Players: A player registered with a Winter Club must try out for the Female Midget AAA team within the draw zone where her parents reside. If the player is not selected to the Female Midget AAA team, the player is eligible to return to the Winter Club.

Note 2: Regarding Academy Players: Players may try out for Midget AAA teams based on the residence of their parents and in accordance with Hockey Canada Regulations. Therefore, regardless of where a player registers with an academy, she may only try out in her “home” AAA zone.

Note 3: Participants that reside in a District that does not register a Female Midget AAA Team may register in another zone to participate on a Female Midget AAA Team. Such participants must declare their intent to try out for a team in another zone to the BC Hockey Executive Director and once declared may not try out for a team in any other zone.
EVALUATION CAMPS

11.01.09.01 Evaluation Camps

- Camps are to not to be held prior to July 31st and are to be scheduled over 3 consecutive days
- All players must register with their home minor hockey association as per registration policy for residential confirmation, tracking purposes and to preserve a place to play. Proof of same must also be provided at evaluation camp registration
- Registration for each team evaluation camp will be organized through the District and MHA Host Association. Camps dates and locations will be posted on the BC Hockey web site
- Registration fees will cover camp expenses and shall be paid directly to the host MHA
- Players, who are unable to attend the camp for valid reasons may apply to the host MHA for permission to be evaluated, post camp.

11.01.09.02 Cancellation – Refunds

Associations with assistance from the District are to establish cancellation refund policies.

11.01.09.03 Player Selection Process

- Teams shall consist of up to a maximum of twenty players including two goaltenders
- Players can only attend a Female Midget AAA camp for the team(s) within the draw zone in which she resides.
- Players will be evaluated and selected by Team Officials with input by Evaluators
- Minimum of 12 players including one goalie chosen the day after the evaluation camp ends
- 12 players selected by Aug. 30
- 17 players selected by Sept. 15
- If a player is not selected to a Female Midget AAA team, she must return to her minor hockey association
- Seventeen (17) players, two of which must be goaltenders, must be selected by September 15. Any alterations less than seventeen (17) must be approved by the BC Hockey executive Committee through the female Midget AAA Chair.
- After September 15, if a team wishes to further evaluate a player, written permission must first be obtained from the District Association in conjunction with the player’s Minor Hockey Association President.
RULES OF PLAY

11.01.10.01  Rules of Play

BC Hockey Female Midget AAA teams are to dress twenty (20) players (including two goaltenders) and up to five (5) team officials, who are duly registered with BC Hockey, in accordance with the rules and regulations of BC Hockey and Hockey Canada.

11.01.10.02  Home Team Responsibilities

The home team shall be responsible for supplying:

- warm-up and game pucks
- An approved game sheet
- A timekeeper
- A scorekeeper
- Penalty box personnel
RULES AND REGULATIONS

11.01.11.01 Discipline/Suspensions

Discipline/Suspensions

- The BC Hockey Female Midget AAA Chair shall be responsible for disciplinary action in accordance with BC Hockey / Hockey Canada regulations.
- Team officials shall be responsible for supervising and controlling the conduct of their players on and off ice before, during or after each event. Failure by team officials to control the conduct of their players may result in suspension and/or other disciplinary action. In addition, the cost of any damages shall be assessed against the MHA to collect from the team.
- All penalties and/or suspensions shall be in accordance with BC Hockey guidelines for Hockey Canada published rules. Automatic suspensions shall be applied as per BC Hockey Suspension Guidelines. It is the responsibility of the team's officials to ensure that players serve their total game suspensions as required by Hockey Canada and BC Hockey rules.
- Any team permitting a player or team official, who is ineligible by reason of suspension, or of not being properly registered with that team to play or participate in a game shall forfeit that game and may be subject to further disciplinary action by the Chair.
- Excessive penalty minutes by individual players, including a combination of major penalties such as Gross Misconduct/Match penalties, Misconducts and Game Misconduct penalties may result in a suspension and/or disciplinary action.
- Any team official who incurs a Game Misconduct shall be suspended for the team’s next game. A team official who incurs a Game Misconduct in the last ten minutes of a game shall be suspended for the team’s next two games.
- Disciplinary action shall be taken should any team not obtain game numbers prior to playing any exhibition/tournament games.

11.01.11.02 Zero Tolerance - Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco

There is a zero tolerance for the use of alcohol, drugs and tobacco during activities within BC Hockey. All incidents will be investigated and dealt with on an individual basis. The recommended minimum suspension for violation of this policy is 30 days from all participation within the league. A written report, from the Female Midget AAA Coordinator or a District Director, must be forwarded to the Chair outlining the circumstances within 7 days.

11.01.11.03 Hazing/Initiation

Female Midget AAA shall adhere to BC Hockey / Hockey Canada rules and regulations pertaining to Hazing / Initiation.

11.01.11.04 Recruiting Practices – Tampering

No team official may invite a registered player of another district/association/club to participate in any exhibition, tournament or league game, practice or team event without prior consent of the player's home association. Violation of this rule will result in disciplinary action.
11.01.11.05 Game Forfeit

a) Teams may not declare a forfeit. Failure to meet all league commitments will result in disciplinary action, which may include suspension(s). Teams failing to meet league commitments for games may result in a fine to the Host MHA.
b) If a team fails to present itself at the time and place appointed to play in their league / playoff game, the game and / or series may be awarded to the opposing team. If an unavoidable accident or an unforeseen contingency occurs that does not permit this game to be played and if it cannot be rescheduled, then the game will be a non-played game with neither team being eligible to receive points.

11.01.11.06 League Play

The number of scheduled games shall be determined annually by the Female Midget AAA Committee. A balanced schedule, where possible, will commence approximately October 15 and be completed prior to the start of playoffs/championships.

Each league game will consist of a minimum of 2.5 hours of playing time:

a. 5 minute warm up;
b. Three 20 minute stop time periods with an ice clean between each period.
c. No overtime during league play

The Play-off format shall be determined by the BCH Executive Committee culminating in the champion representing BC Hockey in inter-branch playoff competition. Should a Play-off game be tied following regulation time, a 5 minute sudden death overtime period will be played. If a winner is not determined following the overtime period, a three person shootout will take place followed by a sudden death shootout.

Should an inter-locking league not be possible the Female Midget AAA Chair will be allowed to amend playing times as required. At minimum the following will be required:

a) 5 minute warm up;
b) Three 20 minute stop time periods with an ice clean at the first stoppage of play after the 10 minute mark of the second period.
c) No overtime will be played.

11.01.11.07 Game Protests

There shall be no game protests for league play in the Female Midget AAA League except for the use of an ineligible player. Game protests during regular season shall be transmitted in writing to the Female Midget AAA Coordinator within 72 hours of completion of the game in question. Use of illegal/ineligible players shall result in forfeiture of the points and possible disciplinary action.
11.01.11.08 Exhibition Games and Tournaments

- Any team wishing to play an exhibition game or enter a tournament shall first obtain permission from the Female Midget AAA Chair and then obtain an Exhibition/Tournament Game number from the Female Midget AAA Coordinator.
- All league commitments must be met prior to permission being granted.
- All exhibition games and tournament costs will be paid by the team.
- Attempts will be made to conduct two special events (tournaments) per season. These events will be hosted by a District and open only to Female Midget AAA teams.
- Any team wishing to host a tournament shall first obtain written permission from the Female Midget AAA Coordinator prior to apply to BC Hockey for sanctioning.

11.01.11.09 Rescheduling of League Games

No league or playoff game will be altered or rescheduled to accommodate a tournament or exhibition game unless special permission is granted in writing by the Female Midget AAA Chair. Permission will not be considered unless the date(s) and time(s) of the rescheduled game(s), mutually agreed on by both teams in writing, have first been obtained.

11.01.11.10 Game Sheets

The following is required for all league, exhibition and tournament games:

- The home team is responsible for supplying the game sheet and ensuring that it is properly completed. The home team shall also ensure that an additional blank game sheet is available at the timekeeper's bench.
- The home team is responsible for faxing or emailing a copy of the game sheet to the Female Midget AAA Chair within 24 hours of completing the game and mail the first copy of the game sheet to the Female Midget AAA Coordinator within 48 hours of the completion of any league game. If the first copy is taken by the referee, the home team shall transmit the second copy in its place.
- The League Coordinator must be notified after any game where a Major Penalty has been assessed.
- Teams that do not adhere to this policy will be assessed a $100 fine.

Clear copies of all exhibition and tournament games must be mailed to the Female Midget AAA Coordinator within 48 hours of the team returning home. Non-compliance may result in disciplinary action.

11.01.11.11 Tie Breaking Procedure – League Standings

In the event of any ties in final league standings, the following tie breaker format shall apply for the determination of playoff positions:
a) If two or more teams are tied, standings will be determined by ranking the teams on the basis of most wins in regular season play.

b) If the standings determined in step a) contain any further ties, those teams whose standing was not determined in step a) will have the following format applied, with all games played by the tied teams against each other being considered (i.e. If three teams are still tied, then all games played involving any two of the three tied teams will be used in breaking the tie) teams will be ranked by highest winning percentage in these games.

(i) teams will be ranked by highest winning percentage in these games
(ii) any teams still tied will be ranked by most goals-for in these games
(iii) any teams still tied will be ranked by least goals against in these games
(iv) any teams still tied will be ranked by the least penalty minutes in these games

NOTE: For section b), games involving all of the tied teams will continue to be used in each of steps ii), iii) and iv) even if one or more of the tied teams receives a placing after a step is applied (i.e. if three teams are tied and one team receives a ranking after step i) is applied, then games among all three teams will still be used in step ii) and beyond).
OFFICIATING

11.01.12.01 Officiating

Officials will be identified by the District RCMs with consultation from the BC Branch Female Officiating Coordinator. Officiating fees will be those approved by the Female Midget AAA Committee. The standard shall be the three official system.

- Official fees – Three official system
  - Referee - $45
  - Linespersons - $30 each

It is the responsibility of the home team to pay the officials. Should there be fewer than three on-ice officials in attendance at any game; the home team manager is to notify the Female Midget AAA Coordinator at the conclusion of the game. On-ice officials’ fees for exhibition games will be paid by the individual teams at league rates unless games are under 2 hours.

11.01.12.02 Officiating No Shows

Should fewer that the required number of officials appear for any game, then the procedures outlined below shall be followed in accordance with hockey Canada Rules:

a) If, for whatever reason, the Referee or Linesmen appointed are prevented from appearing, the Managers or Coaches of the two competing teams shall agree on a Referee and one or two linesmen

b) If they are unable to agree, they shall appoint a player from each team who shall act as officials

c) If the regularly appointed officials appear during the process of the game, they shall replace the temporary officials immediately

d) If a linesman appointed is unable to act at the last minute, or if through sickness or accident she is unable to finish the game, the Referee in Charge shall have the power to appoint another in her place if she feels it necessary

e) If, owing to illness or accident, the Referee is unable to continue to officiate when working with two Linesmen, they will continue the game as a two man officiating system
BILLETING

11.01.13.01 Billeting of Players

Players are responsible for locating billets as well as any billeting expenses.

a) Billeting is to be arranged between the player’s parents and the host billet family

b) No team officials is to serve as a billet

c) Teams must report all billeting arrangements to the FMAAA Chair upon request
TEAM UNIFORMS / DRESS CODE

11.01.14.01 Uniforms

- Team colors will be approved by the Female Midget AAA Committee.
- A team wishing to change its approved colors shall submit a color change request, in writing, to the Female Midget AAA Chair by April 15 who shall seek BC Hockey Executive Committee approval.
- Where uniforms of both teams are so similar that in the opinion of the referee there will be confusion, it shall be the responsibility of the home team to change its uniforms to a contrasting color.
- Uniforms are to have numbers on the back as well as the sleeves.

11.01.14.02 Dress Code

All players and team officials shall wear appropriate attire on game days or when in public during league functions. (Standard will be business equivalent) Baseball caps are not to be worn.
LEAGUE ALL-STAR SELECTIONS

11.01.15.01 All Star Game – funds permitting

An Annual All Star Game may be held. The host location will be rotated each year and will be selected by the Female Midget AAA Chair in consultation with the Female Midget AAA Coordinator and approved by the BC Hockey Executive Committee. If, for any reason, the All Star Game cannot be held at this time, the Female Midget AAA Chair may determine the change of venue and/or date or cancel.

11.01.15.02 All Star Team Official Selection

The Head Coaches shall be determined by the best winning percentage as of November 21. The Assistant Coaches shall be determined by the next alternating highest percentages. Managers (2) and Trainers (2) shall be selected by the Chair of the Female Midget AAA League.

NOTE: Only BC Hockey Female Midget AAA League Head Coaches shall be eligible to participate as an All Star Game coach.

11.01.15.03 All Star Team Player Selection

Each team shall nominate 6 forwards, 4 defense and 1 goaltender not later than November 21. The players will be ranked according to skill and position. A Player Selection Committee comprised of the Female Midget AAA Chair, Female Midget AAA Coordinator, four zone team coaches and the BC Hockey resource person will select forty players, four of whom shall be goaltenders, to make up two teams. A minimum of one player must be selected from each team. The balance of players will then be selected from the highest overall rankings.

Any players under suspension on game day will be ineligible to participate. A replacement player will be recommended by the Selection Committee and approved by the Female Midget AAA Chair.

11.01.15.04 End of Season League All Star Team

Each team shall nominate the top 3 forwards, 2 defensemen and 1 goaltender from an opposing team. Each team shall submit their completed All Star Player Ranking form to BC Hockey by March 15.
Female Midget AAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

11.01.16.01 Female Midget AAA Championships

The Female Midget AAA Championship format shall be determined by the BC Hockey Executive Committee upon recommendation by the Female Midget AAA Committee.

11.01.16.02 Travel

The winner of the Female Midget AAA Championship will represent BC Hockey at any regional or national championships. The team will be responsible for all travel, hotel and meal expenses incurred while attending those events.

11.01.16.03 Final Date to Withdraw From BC Hockey Championships

The final date to withdraw from the BC Hockey Female Midget AAA Championships is January 15.
EDUCATION ADVISOR

11.01.17.01 Education Advisor

Teams are strongly encouraged to enlist the services of an educational advisor to assist players with their academic studies and liaise with parents when necessary.

11.01.17.02 Role of the Education Advisor

The purpose of the Education Advisor is to assist the players in achieving their education potential while playing on a Female Midget AAA team.
### IMPORTANT DATES

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11.02.01.01 MIDGET AAA BOUNDARIES

The BC Hockey Executive Committee has approved thirteen draw zones. Midget AAA teams eligible to compete in the BC Hockey Major Midget League. The zone boundaries and Minor Hockey Associations included in each of the respective zone areas established by BC Hockey are:

a) **Kootenay Zone** including Beaver Valley, Castlegar, Cranbrook, Creston, Elkford, Fernie, Golden, Grand Forks, Invermere, Kaslo, Kimberley, Midway, Nakusp, Nelson, Trail, Windermere Valley
b) **North Central Zone** including Mackenzie, McBride, Quesnel, Prince George, Valemount, Williams Lake, 100 Mile House
c) **North East Zone** including Chetwynd, Clearview, Dawson Creek, Fort Nelson, Fort St. John, Hudson Hope, Tumbler Ridge, Yukon
d) **North West Zone** including Burns Lake, Fort St. James, Fraser Lake, Hazelton, Houston, Kitimat, Prince Rupert, Smithers, Stewart, Terrace, Vanderhoof
e) **North Okanagan Zone** including Ashcroft, Chase, Clearwater, Kamloops, Lillooet, Logan Lake, Merritt, Revelstoke, North Okanagan (Armstrong/Enderby), Salmon Arm, Sicamous
f) **South Okanagan Zone** including Kelowna, Lumby, Penticton, Princeton, South Okanagan (Oliver, Osoyoos), Summerland, Vernon, Winfield, Westside
g) **North Island Zone** including Campbell River, Comox Valley, Gold River, Nanaimo, Oceanside, Port Alberni, Powell River, Tri Ports (Port Alice, Port McNeill, Port Hardy)
h) **South Island Zone** including Cowichan Valley, Juan de Fuca, Lake Cowichan, Peninsula, Saanich, Sooke, Victoria, Victoria Racquet Club
i) **Vancouver Centre Zone** including Arbutus Club, North Delta Richmond, Seafair, South Delta, Vancouver, Vancouver Thunderbirds
j) **Vancouver North East Zone** including Coquitlam, Port Coquitlam, Port Moody, Ridge Meadows
k) **Vancouver North West Zone** including Burnaby Minor, Burnaby Winter Club, Hollyburn Country Club, New Westminster North Vancouver, North Shore Winter Club, Squamish, Sunshine Coast, West Vancouver, Whistler
l) **Vancouver South East Zone** including Abbotsford, Hope, Chilliwack, Mission, Aldergrove
m) **Vancouver South West Zone** including Cloverdale, Langley, Semiahmoo, Surrey

11.02.01.02 Zone Draw Adjustment

The BC Hockey Executive Committee shall approve all adjustments to the BC Hockey Midget AAA draw zones.

11.02.01.03 Zone Boundary Change

The North Central Zone shall include the boundary of the North West and North East Yukon Zones.

11.02.01.04 Midget AAA Team Application

The BC Hockey Executive Committee shall only approve one team in each of the above zones
ADMINISTRATION

11.02.02.01 MML Chairperson Responsibilities

a) Reports to: President
b) Appointed by: BC Hockey President (annually)
   - Represents league on the BC Hockey Executive Committee
   - Assists in the selection of team staff
   - Chairs the orientation meeting
   - Approves the final league schedule and team budgets
   - Is the Branch representative for the All-Star Game and Regional and National Championships

11.02.02.02 League Managing Director Responsibilities

a) Reports to: MML Chairperson
b) Appointed by: Executive Committee based on recommendation of a selection committee composed of the following:
   i. MML Chair
   ii. Staff Resource
   iii. Representative appointed by the President
c) Responsibilities:
   - Review applications, interview and determine team staff
   - Ensure all team staff have proper certifications
   - Maintain open communication with team officials and host association’s Presidents
   - Maintain communication with Chair
   - Ensure all BC Hockey and Hockey Canada timelines, dates, rules and regulations are adhered to
   - Ensure Player of the Month, All-Star game/team and Coach of the Year nominations are sent to the BC Hockey office on time
   - Communicate information, updates and announcements to the league
   - Coordinate the orientation meeting with the Chair and Staff Resource
   - Coordinate the evaluation camps with team managers and head coaches
   - Coordinate evaluation camp ice facilities with team managers, head coaches and facilities
   - Coordinate qualified evaluators for evaluation camps with head coaches
   - Ensure officials are booked for evaluation camps
   - Liaise with Staff Resource on player eligibility issues
   - Coordinate regular season ice facilities with ice providers
   - Work with ice providers to resolve ice issues
   - Prepare league schedule
   - Provide league assigners and ice facilities with schedule and inform when updates occur
   - Monitor travel arrangements (bus/hotel)
   - Approve team requests for travel changes within budget
   - Approve team expenses within budget
- Assist with the Major Midget League budget
- Notify Chair of disciplinary issues
- Issue suspension notices for automatic suspensions
- Refer indefinite suspensions or injury related offences to Chair
- Notify Chair of protests/complaints/appeals or concerns
- Provide Chair with regular reports and updates
- Act as the All-Star Game manager
- Monitor the MML website
- Ensure game sheets are sent to the BC Hockey office on time
- Verify accuracy of the game sheets
- Assist Staff Resource with material and input for the Athlete Development Program

11.02.02.03 Staff Resource

a) Responsibilities

- As directed by MML Chairperson and the BC Hockey Executive Director
FINANCIAL

11.02.03.01  Budget

League Budget
The League operating budget and team registration fees shall be established by June 15 of the calendar year.

Any expense items outside of the approved budget must be approved by the BC Hockey Finance Committee.

Each team bank account will be credited $1000 to be used for team start-up costs via approval from the Chair. This credit is to be paid back to BC Hockey by November 1.

Team Budgets
a) Each Midget AAA Team must:
   i. establish and submit a proposed budget by June 15 of the calendar year
   ii. provide a financial report within three (3) weeks of the conclusion of their season.

   Teams that do not meet this requirement will be subject to discipline, suspension or fine.

b) Each Midget AAA Team budget shall not include expenses for the following items:
   i. Team Apparel
   ii. Team Staff Honorarium
   iii. Team Trainer Honorarium
   iv. Exhibition Games (Pre-Season)
   v. Additional Practice Ice
   vi. Dry Land Training

c) BC Hockey will notify parents of any additional costs team such as: meals, skate sharpening or water bottles.

d) All team capital purchases shall require the pre-approval of the MML Chairperson. All teams must file a complete inventory list including items such as audio visual equipment, dry land training equipment, and skate sharpeners. The list will be sent to BC Hockey on November 1 and March 1. All team capital purchases become the property of the BC MML.

11.02.03.02  Hotels/Transportation

a) Transportation to all league regular season and playoff games outside of a team’s zone and involving travel that are in excess of approximately 125 km shall travel by chartered bus. There will be no transportation provided for Lower Mainland teams to games played within the Lower Mainland

b) Accommodation and transportation for up to twenty players and a maximum of five team officials who are traveling with the team will be provided by the league. Transportation outside of Districts must be arranged through commercial carrier. Any variance must be approved by Chair of MML. All hotel and transportation costs for league play must be pre-approved by the Chair and will be paid by league.
   i. Travel by chartered buses shall be provided for team officials and players only
Parents or guardians of players may be permitted to travel on the bus, space allowing

Non-players under the age of 15 are not permitted to travel with the team

The League will provide for a meal allowance up to a maximum of $35.00 per day for a maximum of five team officials for out of district games only:

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d) Reservations must be confirmed two weeks in advance at hotels approved by BC Hockey. Reservations and confirmations will be the responsibility of the Team Manager.

e) Purchase orders for transportation and hotel bookings must be completed and filed by Team Coordinators.

f) Travel expenses incurred for any reason other than travel by charter bus with the Midget AAA team for league games will be the responsibility of the Midget AAA team.

11.02.03.03 Team Bank Accounts

Each Midget AAA Team will be assigned a bank account prior to the start of each season, with the following parameters:

a) The MML Chairperson will assign two signing officers for each team
b) Only team officials will be eligible to be a signing officer on the account
c) All transactions and monies for the team must be accounted for in the assigned account
d) The team signing officers will be required to complete a financial report. This report is to be filed with the BC Hockey office each month.
e) Teams are not to open or use any other bank account in addition to the league supplied account. Team officials are not to use their personal accounts for any team funds.
f) All gaming license applications are to be administered by the BC Hockey office. It should be noted that a successful gaming application will necessitate the use of a second, gaming specific, bank account for the team.

11.02.03.04 Fundraising

No advertising, name bars (other than league supplied name bars) or other patches may be applied to team jerseys without prior consent of the BC Hockey Finance Committee.
TEAM OFFICIALS

11.02.04.01 Requirements

All coaching staff must share the philosophical values of the representative zone and that of BC Hockey:

- All individuals wishing to apply:
  - for a head coach position on a Midget AAA team shall submit an application form to BC Hockey by April 15.
  - for positions other than head coach on a Midget AAA team shall submit an application form to BC Hockey by May 15.
- Notwithstanding the above dates, if a qualified Midget AAA team official application is received after the above dates, the application shall be considered.
- Returning team officials shall be given preference over new applicants unless it has been determined that to do so would not be in the best interest of the team.
- If no applicant is deemed suitable, the application process shall be extended to June 30th.
- All coaches shall be non-parents.
- Managers are not permitted to participate on the bench during games or on the ice during practices.
- All team officials to complete criminal record check prior to being selected.

11.02.04.02 Selection

Team officials shall be recommended by the MML Chairperson and ratified by the BC Hockey Executive Committee as follows:

b) Selection of New Team Officials
- Shall be selected by a Committee consisting of the MML Chairperson, a BC Hockey Staff Resource person, the District High Performance Evaluator and League Managing Director, after consultation with the District Director(s) and District President(s).
- Appointments shall be ratified by the BC Hockey Executive Committee no later than June 1.

b) Selection of Returning Team Officials
- Shall be recommended by the MML Chairperson in conjunction with the Managing Director, a BC Hockey technical support person and consultation with the District Director(s) as well as feedback through player/parent League Evaluations
- Appointments shall be ratified by the BC Hockey Executive Committee

Head Coach

Term: 1 year

Qualifications:
- NCCP Development 1 Certification (formerly known as Intermediate) level
- Speak Out
- Criminal Record Check
• Strong hockey background in playing, coaching and evaluating
• Experience in staff management
• Strong interest and commitment to high performance athlete development
• Ability to work with fellow team officials
• Ability to communicate on-ice and off-ice requirements to players and parents
• Non-parent. (No children on Midget AAA team).
• References upon request

Responsibilities:
• All Head Coaches are required to submit nominations/rankings for League Player of the Month, All Star Teams and/or other player recognition events as requested. Failure to comply will result in a minimum one game suspension.

Assistant Coach
Term: 1 year

Qualifications:
• NCCP Development 1 level
• Speak Out
• Strong hockey background in playing, coaching and evaluating
• Experience in staff management
• Strong interest and commitment to high performance athlete development
• Ability to work with fellow coaching personnel
• Ability to communicate on-ice and off-ice requirements to players and parents
• References upon request
• Non-parent – no children on Midget AAA team.

Team Manager
Term: 1 year

Selection:
• Selection by committee consisting of the Chair of the BC Hockey Major Midget League, the BC Hockey MML Managing Director and the BC Hockey technical support person with input from coaching staff.
• Ratified by the BC Hockey Executive Committee

Qualifications:
• Experience in Rep team management
• Speak Out by Dec 31st of the current season
• References upon request

Responsibilities:
• Coordinate evaluation camps in conjunction with the League Managing Director
• Submit financial summary of evaluation camp within two weeks of its conclusion to MML Chair and the BC Hockey Executive Director.
• Coordinate travel, accommodation, and meals for team
• Obtain necessary equipment and supplies for team
• Coordinate team financial matters including player fees, sponsorship, advertising, etc.
Monitor use of Affiliate players
- Ensure that team abides by all BC Hockey and Hockey Canada rules and regulations
- Ensure that all suspensions are served as required by BC Hockey rules and regulations
- Control the conduct of players before, during and after the game
- Fax a copy of the game sheet to the League Statistician at the conclusion of the game and mail the original game sheets of all games played to League Manager within 24 hrs of completion of the game or completion of tournament.
- Request permission to enter tournament or play exhibition game(s) from Managing Director prior obtaining game numbers or tournament permission number from League Manager.
- Ensure that correct referee fees in cash are given to the timekeeper before the start of the game.
- Ensure that all players, team officials, and on-ice officials are afforded unobstructed access to dressing rooms before, during and after the game.
- Ensure all team officials acquire coaching levels and/or other certification as required by BC Hockey.
- Ensure that the team has a certified HCSP person.
- Submit budget and financial report to the BC Hockey Executive Director and MML Chairperson as required.

11.02.04.03 Release of Team Officials

Team officials are expected to provide a good example to the players in their charge. As a result, an offence committed by a team official shall be deemed to be more serious than an equivalent offence committed by a player.

a) Team officials may be released from a Midget AAA team for the following reasons:
- Failure to control conduct of players
- Disrespect for the rules and regulations of Hockey Canada and BC Hockey
- Failure to follow philosophy and/or philosophical values of BC Hockey and Major Midget League
- Excessive penalties
- Use of alcohol or drugs during a league game or event
- Failure to meet team obligations
- Any infraction deemed by the Chair of the Major Midget League not to be in the best interests of the team
- If a situation is of sufficient seriousness, the Chair of the League shall have the authority to suspend or release a team official from a team.

b) A decision to release a team official from a team roster may be appealed to the President of BC Hockey.
11.02.04.04 Coaching Certification

No applications for Head Coach shall be considered unless the applicant has Development 1 (formally Intermediate level), including Respect in Sport.
All Assistant Coaches shall have completed a minimum Development 1 (formerly Intermediate Level) and Respect in Sport

11.02.04.05 Respect in Sport

All BC Hockey MML team officials must complete the Respect in Sport/Speakout to be considered for any position within the MML.

11.02.04.06 Hockey Canada Safety Program (HCSP)

All Hockey Canada carded teams must have an HCSP official carded by December 1st of the current season in accordance with BC Hockey regulations. The team HCSP person shall not be permitted on the bench during games unless otherwise qualified and approved by the Midget AAA Chair. Note that the parent of any member team shall not be permitted on that team’s bench during games.

11.02.04.07 Team First

All team members involved shall be required to sign Team First Contracts no later than September 15.
TEAM REGISTRATION

11.02.05.01  League Registration Fees

Each BC Hockey Midget AAA team shall be assessed an equal fee to cover the operating costs of the league. To facilitate administration at the team level, these fees shall be invoiced by BC Hockey directly to the individual players based on registration of 20 players (including two goaltenders). Each team will be responsible for the payment of the total invoice, regardless of the number of players carried on their roster. Member players of the league shall be responsible for any financial deficit incurred by league operations. Should sponsorship funding be secured by BC Hockey to cover operational costs of the league, rebates of these assessments will be distributed equally to league teams.

11.02.05.02  Team Names

a) All Midget AAA team names must be approved by the MML Chairperson.
b) A Midget AAA team’s approved name cannot be altered in any way, including the addition of sponsor names, without prior approval of the League Chairperson.
c) Application to change a team’s name must be made in writing to the League Chairperson.
PLAYER REGISTRATION

11.02.06.01 Player Fees

a) Player fees shall be prorated equally based on Midget AAA team registration fees.
b) Player fees shall include transportation to out of district games and hotel accommodation.
c) The players are responsible for their meal costs.
d) Player fees shall be paid by credit card or money order/certified cheque upon request by team manager.
e) If payment is not received within seven days of receipt of invoice, the player shall not be eligible to participate with the team. In the case of a player joining the team after the season has commenced, payment of fees must be received within two weeks of the player's first game.
f) Midget AAA Team managers shall coordinate the payment of all twenty player registration fees.
g) A player's full registration fee will guarantee a position on a team's roster for the complete season.
h) Players paying their player fee in installments shall be suspended from all games and practices if payment has not been made within seven days of the payment due date. Such suspension shall remain in effect until payment has been received.
i) Any shortfall of player registration fees (i.e. player quits and is not replaced) shall be borne by the remaining players.
j) Players are responsible for any expenses incurred by their Midget AAA team during the season over and above the registration/player fee.

11.02.06.02 Refunds

Any shortfall of team registration fees will be borne by players. As such, refunds shall only be granted if a replacement player is found to fill the vacant roster spot.

a) Players Release Due to Health: In the case where a player has encountered health issues that restrict participation, the player may apply for a refund, either in full or in part, of registration fees.

b) Players Voluntary Release: Should a player choose to be released from the team on their own accord or upon their own choice (i.e., player decides to quit the team), the registration fee will not be refunded by BC Hockey. Should a player be released in order to sign with a junior team, the player may apply for a refund, either in full or in part, of registration fees.

c) Player Releases: There shall be no refunds for any player who has been released for disciplinary reasons.

d) Player Suspensions: Should a player be suspended by a Midget AAA team, or by the BCMML relative to BC Hockey / Hockey Canada Regulations, the registration fee will not be refunded by BC Hockey.

e) Player Equipment: Player equipment provided by the Midget AAA team is the property of BC Hockey. In the event a player has been permanently suspended or released from a Major Midget League Team, the equipment provided must be returned to the team. At the
conclusion of the season, all players registered and in good standing with the zone Major Midget league team shall receive the equipment provided by the league.

f) All player refunds will be at the discretion of the Finance Committee.

g) **Pro-rated refunds, where applicable above, are as follows:**

- Prior to September 15 - eligible for full refund
- Prior to November 15 - eligible for 50% refund
- Prior to January 10 - eligible for 25% refund
- After January 10 - no refund

11.02.06.03  Registration/Carding Procedures

a) Each team shall receive access to a maximum of twenty-five electronic Player Registration certificates via the BC Hockey Online Carding system. Prior to the first league, tournament or playoff game, the registering team manager must:
   i. Register all players and team officials on the BC Hockey carding system
   ii. All players are to sign a copy of their completed online card; and parents must sign the Refund Policy Acknowledgement Form prior to first league game. No player shall participate with a team until said forms have been duly signed
   iii. Signed documents are to be forwarded to the branch office.

b) Participation of a player or team official prior to carding on the BC Hockey carding system will result in loss of points and/or discipline in accordance with BC Hockey Regulations.

c) A team shall carry a full roster of twenty players, two of which must be goaltenders.

d) Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, in order to be eligible for the BC Hockey MML Championships, in accordance with Hockey Canada Regulations, to meet eligibility requirements to compete in Regional and National playoffs, the teams shall be required to have registered not less than fifteen (15) players on Hockey Canada Registration Certificates (at least two of whom must be goaltenders) on or before February 10th of the current season.

11.02.06.04  Affiliation

a) BC Hockey Midget AAA teams may affiliate players from within their draw zones as set out by BC Hockey. Midget AAA Teams shall not affiliate any players from outside their draw zones in the event an adjacent zone does not register a team (i.e. there shall be no movement of players between zones for the purposes of affiliation in the event that a given zone does not have a Midget AAA team).

b) There shall be no “permanent affiliate” players in the MML.

c) An affiliate player registered with a Winter Club may affiliate as follows:
   i. Eligibility for affiliation purposes is to be determined by the players residence within the zone

d) Affiliate players must be approved by BC Hockey by way of the Hockey Canada Registry prior to participation. Participation of an affiliate player prior to such approval will be considered as use of an ineligible player by the team and will be subject to discipline in accordance with BC Hockey Regulations.

e) Registration of an affiliate player requires the written permission of the player's carding MHA. Once an affiliate player's information is submitted electronically, a copy of the page must be printed and signed by both the player and the President or Secretary of the player's MHA.
f) Affiliate players must be carded with a BC Hockey registered lower division/category team prior to being eligible to be included as an affiliate on a BC Hockey Midget AAA team’s list.

g) Players registered on recreational (“house” or “C”) teams, may not affiliate to a Major Midget League Midget AAA team.

h) Teams may not call up Affiliate Players (except under emergency conditions) when the Affiliate Player’s team is playing. Affiliate players shall only be used as emergency replacements for the following emergency conditions:
   i. Injuries
   ii. Suspensions/Disciplinary action (not including team imposed suspensions)

i) The player’s team may not unreasonably deny a player the opportunity to play as an Affiliate. Note: this provision applies to players affiliating from MHAs to MML teams, as well as players affiliating from MML teams to Junior clubs.

j) Consent of an affiliate player’s home association must be obtained prior to using the player in a game or practice.

k) Bantam age affiliate players may play a maximum of ten (10) games (Regular Season and Playoff) as an affiliate to an MML Team in a given season. Once a Bantam Age Affiliate player’s carded team is eliminated from playoff competition the player may participate as an affiliate for the balance of the season.

l) Affiliate players who participate in more than three games or practices must pay an affiliate player assessment of $200.00. The fee will cover regular expense including one or more of: accommodations, travel, and ice.

m) An Affiliate player who has played the maximum number of games permitted under HC rules and/or BC Hockey policy may not be used as an affiliate unless his registered team has been eliminated from playoff competition. Players qualifying under this policy shall be assessed a game fee to be determined by the MML Chair, with approval of the Finance Committee.

n) Major Midget League players shall not affiliate to a Juvenile team.

o) Players may not affiliate from a Sport School

11.02.06.05 Player Releases

a) Players shall not be released once they have been offered a place on a team except for the following reasons:
   i. Disciplinary problems
   ii. Use of drugs or alcohol
   iii. Non-payment of player fees
   iv. Player requests to play at a higher division or return to Minor Hockey Association.
   v. Safety or risk management concern to the player
   vi. Deemed by the MML Chairperson to be in the best interests of the team and/or player

b) Application to remove a player from a Midget AAA team roster must be made in writing to the MML Chairperson, setting out reasons for the removal of the player.

c) If a player with disciplinary issues is being considered for removal from the team:
   i. Written and/or verbal notice of disciplinary concerns and steps taken to address the problems must be documented by the player’s Midget AAA team officials.
   ii. The player and parent(s) must be made aware of the problems and given the opportunity to correct his/her behavior prior to submitting said application to the MML Chairperson.

d) There shall be no refunds for any player who has been released for disciplinary reasons.
PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

11.02.07.01 Midget Aged Players

All Midget aged players (15, 16 or 17 years old within the calendar year) residentially eligible to register and play minor hockey in BC Hockey are eligible to try out for their BC Hockey Midget AAA team.

11.02.07.02 Under Aged Players

No under-aged players will be permitted to be rostered on, or carded with, a Midget AAA team.

11.02.07.03 Residential Qualifications

Residential Waiver's

Goaltender

a) A Midget AAA team must apply for goaltender relief to the Midget AAA Chair through the League Managing Director. A goaltender who has been released from his residential Midget AAA (MML) team may be issued a residential waiver by the League Managing Director prior to September 30th (A released goaltender may not seek permission to be considered for another Midget AAA team). Such waiver must be approved by the Midget AAA Chair after consultation with the Chair of Minor, and the appropriate District Director.

b) There is no appeal if a player is not selected to a MML team.

c) Infractions of the Residential Waiver will result in discipline to team staff

The residential qualifications for Midget teams shall be those adopted by BC Hockey and Hockey Canada.

Note 1: A player is only eligible to try out for the Midget AAA team where his parents reside.

Note 2: Regarding Winter Club players: A player registered with a Winter Club must try out for the Midget AAA team where his parents reside. If the player is not selected to a Midget AAA team, the player is eligible to return to the Winter Club.

Note 3: Regarding Sports School Players: Players may try out for Midget AAA teams based on the residence of their parents and in accordance with Hockey Canada Regulations. Therefore, regardless of where a player registers with a Sport School, he/she may only try out in his/her “home” AAA zone
EVALUATION CAMPS

11.02.08.01 Evaluation Camps

a) Camps are to be held over 3 days in August, date to be determined by BC Hockey. Written permission to hold an evaluation camp on a different date must be received from the MML Chairperson.

b) All players must register with his/her home minor hockey association as per registration policy for residential confirmation, tracking purposes and to preserve a place to play and must provide proof of same at evaluation camp registration.

c) All players must pre-register online with the BC Hockey prior to the evaluation camp. Failure to pre-register may affect eligibility to participate in the camp.

d) Out of District players – any player who has not registered with a minor hockey association and/or does not have a signed letter from a residential MHA will require a letter from the District supporting attendance at the camp.

e) Any player who is unable to attend any stage of the evaluation camp due to injury or for any other valid reason must pre-register online and will remain eligible for future evaluations. Approval must be obtained from the League Managing Director.

f) A nominal fee that will cover the cost of the camp and any additional evaluations will be charged and is to be paid online at time of pre-registration.

g) No player shall participate in any evaluation session unless the evaluation camp registration fee has been paid in full.

h) Practice jerseys will be provided and can be kept by players.

i) Three additional ice sessions may be scheduled to accommodate absentee players and to further assess and evaluate players.

j) The cost of any evaluation exhibition games is to be paid out of team funds and shall not be charged to the players trying out for the team.

k) A goaltender camp will be held prior to the main evaluation camp if the following occurs

- 50 or less players registered and more than 6 goalies
- 51-60 players registered and more than 7 goalies
- 61-70 players registered and more than 9 goalies
- 71-80 players registered and more than 10 goalies
- 81-90 players registered and more than 11 goalies
- 91-100 players registered and more than 12 goalies

***If a goaltender is released from the goaltender camp 75% of the evaluation camp fee will be refunded.

11.02.08.02 Cancellation – Refunds

The following refund policy applies to Evaluation Camp cancellations:

a) 50% refund up to July 15th

b) Refunds after July 15th shall be approved by the Finance Committee upon recommendation of the Chair.

11.02.08.03 Player Selection Process

a) Teams will consist of twenty players including two goaltenders.
b) Players can only attend MML camps in the area in which he/she resides.

c) Players will be evaluated and selected by Team Officials with input by High Performance District Evaluators.

d) Twelve players including one goaltender must be identified and offered a position on the team by the end of the evaluation camp.

e) If a player is not selected to a Midget AAA team, he must return to his residential minor hockey association.

f) A minimum of twenty (20) players including two goaltenders must be selected by September 15th at which time all remaining minor hockey players must be released to their home Minor Hockey Association.

g) Of the 20 players selected, up to three players may be designated as temporary to allow for players who return from Junior hockey prior to October 15th. Such designation shall be reported to the MML Chairperson on September 15th and will be communicated to the player. The temporary player shall pay the player fee and will be refunded a pro rated fee should the temporary player be replaced by a returnee from Junior. At midnight, October 15th, all registered players will become permanent.

**If evaluators have been unable to identify a goaltender who has the skills to compete at the Major Midget League level, the coach can apply to the MML Chairperson to consider a goaltender(s) who has been released from another Midget AAA team. (See Goaltender Waiver) twenty players must be selected by October 15th.

h) After September 15th, if a team wishes to further evaluate a player, written permission must first be obtained from a player’s Minor Hockey Association President.

i) Once a player has been released, written consent must be obtained from the player’s home Minor Hockey Association prior to inviting the player to attend further evaluation.
RULES OF PLAY

11.02.09.01 Rules of Play

BC Hockey Major Midget League teams shall be composed of twenty players (including two goaltenders) and up to five team officials who are duly registered with BC Amateur Hockey Association in accordance with the rules and regulations of BC Hockey and Hockey Canada. Membership for such teams shall commence upon acceptance of the team’s registration by the Executive Director of the BC Hockey and shall expire as of the following August 31st.

11.02.09.02 Home Team Responsibilities - Supplying of Pucks

The home team shall be responsible for the following for each game:

- Warm-up and game pucks
- Official league gamesheet
  - To be submitted to the statistician at the conclusion of the game(s)
- A qualified timekeeper
- A qualified scorekeeper
- Shots-on-goal statistics for each team to be included on the official gamesheet
RULES AND REGULATIONS

11.02.10.01 Discipline/Suspensions

a) BC Hockey shall administer the Major Midget League and be responsible for all disciplinary action.
b) Team officials shall be responsible for supervising and controlling the conduct of their players before, during or after each game. Failure by team officials to control the conduct of their players (e.g. dressing room/hotel vandalism, theft, bench brawls, lobby and parking lot altercations, etc.) may result in suspension and/or other disciplinary action of the team official and/or player(s). In addition, the cost of any damages shall be assessed against the team.
c) All penalties and/or suspensions shall be in accordance with Major Midget League Policy and/or Hockey Canada published rules. Automatic/Minimum suspensions shall be applied as per BC Hockey Suspension Guidelines. It is the responsibility of the team’s officials to ensure that players serve their total game suspensions as required by Hockey Canada and BC Hockey rules, whether or not notification is given.
d) Excessive penalty minutes by individual players including a combination of major penalties such as Gross Misconduct/Match penalties, Misconducts and Game Misconduct penalties shall result in suspension(s) and/or disciplinary action as determined by the MML Chairperson.
e) Any team official who incurs a Game Misconduct outside of the last ten minutes of the game shall be suspended for the team’s next games. A team official who incurs a Game Misconduct in the last ten minutes of a game shall be suspended for the team’s next two games.
f) Exhibition games are not considered league, tournament or playoff games for the purpose of serving suspensions.

11.02.10.02 Zero Tolerance - Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco Products

There is a zero tolerance for the use of alcohol, drugs and tobacco during activities within BC Hockey. All incidents will be investigated and dealt with on an individual basis. The recommended minimum suspension for violation of this policy is 30 days from all participation within the league. A written report must be forwarded to the Chair of the MML outlining the circumstances within 7 days.
11.02.10.03 Hazing/Initiation

a) All Hazing/Initiation incidents will be reported to the MML Chairperson
b) All suspension shall be in line with Hockey Canada Regulations

11.02.10.04 Recruiting Practices - Tampering

No team official may invite a registered player of another association/club to participate in any exhibition, tournament or league game, practice or team event without prior consent of the player's home association. Violation of this rule will result in disciplinary action.

11.02.10.05 Game Forfeit

The following items pertain to Game Forfeits:

a) Teams may not declare a forfeit. Failure to meet all league commitments will result in disciplinary action, which may include suspension(s).

b) The MML Chairperson may forfeit game results in accordance with BC Hockey Regulations. In such situations, the game shall be recorded in the standings as a loss (zero points) for the forfeiting team and as a victory (two points) for the opposing team. If the game has been played, the goals for, goals against, and penalty minutes shall stand as recorded. If the game has not been played, the score shall be recorded as 0-0.

11.02.10.06 League Play

The number of scheduled league games shall be based on the number of participating Midget AAA teams. Each league game will consist of:

- 3 - 20 minute regulation stop time periods
- 10 minute warm up; 2.5 hr game time slots
- 15 minute intermission between periods
- One ice flood after the 1st period and one ice flood after the 2nd period.
- No overtime during league play
- 3 hr. practices per week. Midget AAA team will pay costs for any additional practices.

Any league games to be played in areas or locations outside of host association arenas shall be approved by the MML Chairperson.

Any additional unapproved transportation, accommodation, game or practice ice, or officiating costs involved shall be the responsibility of the Midget AAA team. All such costs are to be invoiced directly to the team.

League paid practices will end for all Midget AAA teams at the conclusion of the Midget AAA team’s scheduled league play or once eliminated from Championship series, whichever occurs first.
11.02.10.07  Game Protests

There shall be no game protests for league play in the Major Midget League except for the playing of an ineligible player. Game protests during regular season shall be transmitted in writing to the League Managing Director of the League within 72 hrs. of completion of the game in question.

11.02.10.08  Exhibition Games and Tournaments

a) Any team wishing to play an exhibition game or enter a tournament shall first obtain permission from the Managing Director and then obtain an Exhibition/Tournament Game number from the League Manager. All league commitments must be met prior to permission being granted.

b) All exhibition games and tournament costs will be paid by the team.

c) Players are not required to attend tournaments and may not be disciplined for such decision.

d) A rostered player who is not able to attend a tournament for any reason shall not be charged a tournament fee or any related expenses. Replacement affiliate players shall be assessed a pro-rate tournament fee and expenses.

e) No tournament game shall be substituted for any scheduled league game.

11.02.10.09  Rescheduling of League Games

No league or playoff game will be altered or rescheduled to accommodate a tournament or exhibition game unless special permission is granted in writing by the MML Chairperson. Permission will not be granted unless the date(s) and time(s) of the rescheduled game(s) have first been obtained, which date(s) and time(s) are mutually agreed on by both teams.

11.02.10.10  Game Reports

a) The home team is responsible for supplying the game report ensuring that it is properly completed, and submitting it to the office. The home team shall also ensure that additional blank game reports are available at the timekeeper's bench.

b) All affiliate players (AP) shall be designated as such on the game sheet beside the player's name.

c) Game statistics are to be entered into the BC Hockey MML site by a non parent team official.

d) In order to ensure no sanctions will be applied to your team:

   a. The game sheet must be uploaded and complete by Midnight of the game day.
   b. The data entered into the system must be exactly as the official game sheet.

e) To ensure accuracy, a BC Hockey Staff Resource Person will compare Official Game Sheets to the data entered every Monday by 10 am. Any discrepancy noted from the teams data entry to the game sheet will be reported to the MML Chairperson for a final decision.
f) The MML Chairperson shall have the authority to issue a fine in the amount of $100 to any team that did not enter the stats within the above timelines or if the team entered inaccurate information.

11.02.10.11 Tie Breaking Procedure – League Standings

In the event of any ties in final league standings, the following tie breaker format shall apply for the determination of playoff positions:

a) If two or more teams are tied, standings will be determined by ranking the teams on the basis of most wins in regular season play.

b) If the standings determined in step a) contain any further ties, those teams whose standing was not determined in step a) will have the following format applied, with all games played by the tied teams against each other being considered (i.e. If three teams are still tied, then all games played involving any two of the three tied teams will be used in breaking the tie):

- Teams will be ranked by highest winning percentage in these games
- Any teams still tied will be ranked by most goals-for in these games
- Any teams still tied will be ranked by least goals against in these games
- Any teams still tied will be ranked by the least penalty minutes in these games

NOTE:
For section b), games involving all of the tied teams will continue to be used in each of steps ii), iii) and iv) even if one or more of the tied teams receives a placing after a step is applied (i.e. if three teams are tied and one team receives a ranking after step i) is applied, then games among all three teams will still be used in step ii) and beyond).
OFFICIATING

11.02.11.01  Officiating

District Above Minor Assigners will assign all games. MML games shall be officiated by a combination of Junior and high performance level Minor Hockey officials. Officials will be identified and approved by the respective District Above Minor Supervisors and Referee Committee Members in consultation with the BC Hockey Referee-In-Chief.

a) On-ice official fees for league and playoff games shall be paid by the League as follows:
   Three-man System:
   Referee: $80.00
   Linesmen: $55.00
   Two-man System: $70.00 each

b) It is the responsibility of the home team to pay the officials.

c) Should there be fewer than three on-ice officials in attendance at any game; the home team manager is to notify the league manager at the conclusion of the game.

d) Expenses for on-ice official fees for exhibition games will be paid by the individual teams.

11.02.11.02  Officiating No Shows

Should fewer than the required number of officials appear for any game, then the procedures outlined below shall be followed in accordance with Hockey Canada Rules:

a) If, for whatever reason, the Referee or Linesmen appointed are prevented from appearing, the Managers or Coaches of the two competing teams shall agree on a Referee one or two Linesmen.

b) If they are unable to agree, they shall appoint a player from each team who shall act as officials.

c) If the regularly appointed officials appear during the progress of the game, they shall replace the temporary officials immediately.

d) If a Linesman appointed is unable to act at the last minute, or if through sickness or accident she is unable to finish the game, the Referee in charge shall have the power to appoint another in her place if she feels it necessary.

e) If, owing to illness or accident, the Referee is unable to continue to officiate when working with two Linesmen, one of the Linesmen shall perform such duties as devolved upon the Referee. The Linesmen shall be selected by the Referee, or if necessary, by the Managers or Coaches of competing teams.
BILLETING

11.02.12.01  Billeting of Players

Players are responsible for any billeting expenses.
   a)  Billeting is to be arranged between the player’s parents and the host billet family.
   b)  No team official is to serve as a billet.
   c)  Teams must report all billeting arrangements to the MML Chairperson upon request.
TEAM UNIFORMS / DRESS CODE

11.02.13.01 Uniforms

BC Hockey has approved league colours, which shall be worn by all Midget AAA teams. Where uniforms of both teams are so similar that in the opinion of the referee there will be confusion, it shall be the responsibility of the home team to change its uniforms to a contrasting colour.

No advertising, sponsor names or logos, name bars, or other patches may be applied to team jerseys, without prior consent of the Chair of Major Midget League after consultation with the Branch President the BC Hockey Executive Director and the League Managing Director.

Players are required to wear league-supplied equipment including but not limited to jerseys, socks, pants, gloves, helmets and cages.

“Players including goal tenders, shall wear required protective equipment, including CSA-certified helmets and facial protectors and BNQ certified throat protectors in all games, practices, warm-ups and while sitting on the players’ bench or penalty box.”

11.02.13.02 Dress Code

All players shall wear a shirt and tie, slacks, mock turtleneck, tracksuit or team jersey on game days or when in public during league functions. Baseball caps are not to be worn.
LEAGUE ALL-STAR SELECTIONS

11.02.14.01 All Star Game

An Annual All Star Game will be held in the month of January. The host location will be selected by the Chair of the League and approved by the BC Hockey Executive Committee. If, for any reason, the All Star Game cannot be held at this time, the President of BC Hockey can determine the change of venue and/or date.

11.02.14.02 All Star Team Official Selection

The Head Coaches shall be determined by the best winning percentage as of December 1st. The Assistant Coaches shall be determined by the next alternating highest percentages. Managers and Trainers shall be selected by the MML Chairperson.

Note: Only BC Hockey MML Head Coaches shall be eligible to participate as an All Star Game coach.

11.02.14.03 All Star Team Player Selection

a) Each team shall nominate 3 forwards, 2 defence and 1 goaltender not later than December 1st. The players will be ranked according to skill and position. Teams may make an application to the MML Chairperson and MML Managing Director to nominate players in addition to these maximums. A Player Selection Committee comprised of the MML Chairperson, MML Managing Director, five Midget AAA team coaches and the BC Hockey resource person will select forty players, four of which shall be goaltenders to make up two teams. A minimum of one player must be selected from each team. The balance of players will then be selected from the highest overall rankings.

b) Any players under suspension on game day will be ineligible to participate and the next highest ranked player will substitute.

11.02.14.04 End of Season League All Star Team

Each team shall nominate the top 3 forwards, 2 defensemen and 1 goaltender from an opposing team. Each team shall submit their completed All Star Player Ranking form to BC Hockey by March 30th.

11.02.14.05 BCMML Coach of the Year Award

At the end of each season the MML Chairperson, in consultation with Midget AAA Coordinator and the Branch Resource shall select an individual for the BCMML Coach of the Year Award.
MAJOR MIDGET LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

11.02.15.01 Major Midget League Championships

The Major Midget League Championships shall adopt the BC Hockey Championship policies, procedures and format with the following variations:

a) The Major Midget League Championship shall consist of a Quarter-Final series, Semi-Final series and a Final Series.
b) The top eight teams as determined by league final standings shall be eligible for the Major Midget League Championship.
c) The Major Midget League Championship Format will be as follows:
   a. Quarter-Finals:
      i. First vs. Eight (series to be hosted by the higher placing team)
      ii. Second vs. Seventh (series to be hosted by the higher placing team)
      iii. Third vs. Sixth (series to be hosted by the higher placing team)
      iv. Fourth vs. fifth (series to be hosted by the higher placing team)
b. Semi-Finals:
      i. Highest placing remaining team vs. Lowest placing remaining team (series to be hosted by the higher placed team)
      ii. Second highest placing remaining team vs Lowest placing remaining team (series to be hosted by the higher placed team)
c. Finals:
      i. Winners of the Semi Final series will advance to the Final series.
      ii. The Final series will be hosted by the higher placing team per league standings.

d) All Major Midget League Championship Playoffs will consist of a best two out of three games series as follows:
   i. Game One: Friday evening
   ii. Game Two: Saturday afternoon or evening
   iii. Game Three: Sunday (preferably afternoon)
   iv. Series will be held on a specific weekend as determined by BC Hockey

e) The higher placing team shall have the home team dressing room and bench for Game one. The teams will then alternate home and away jerseys, dressing rooms and benches for each subsequent game the higher placing team shall provide the timekeeper and scorekeeper.
f) All games must end with a winner. No ties are permitted. In the event a game ends in a tie, the following overtime format shall be applied:
   i. In a tied game at the end of regulation time, there will be a 2 minute rest and then a 10 minute stop-time sudden victory period.
   ii. If still tied at the end of the first overtime period, there will be a 15 minute flood and then another 20 minute stop time sudden victory period.
   iii. If still tied, teams will repeat (ii) until a winner is declared.

g) The BC Hockey Major Midget League Champion shall be the BC Hockey representative at the Hockey Canada Pacific Regional and National Midget Championship.
h) The President, with the approval of the BC Hockey Officers, shall have the authority to change the venue of a series if deemed advisable.
i) The most valuable player announcements or awards shall not be announced or presented at any of the Midget Zone AAA Championship Series.
11.02.15.02  Travel

All travel and accommodation expenses for games outside of a team’s District during the Championships shall be provided.

The team representing BC Hockey at the Pacific Regional Championships and National Championships will be responsible for all travel, hotel and meal expenses incurred while attending those events.

11.02.15.03  Final Date to Withdraw

The final date to withdraw from the BC Hockey MML Championship is January 15th.
EDUCATION ADVISOR

11.02.16.01 Education Advisor

It is suggested that each team in the BC Hockey Major Midget League make appropriate arrangements to provide an education advisor.

11.02.16.02 Role of the Education Advisor

The role of the education advisor is to provide guidance and/or assistance with respect to their education.
### IMPORTANT DATES

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