

## Western Valley Affiliation Process

Western Valley will follow the Regulation that is put forth by Hockey Nova Scotia but wishes to enhance the understanding with some recommendations.

Western Valley highly recommends that all coaches at the competitive level affiliate 5 players. When doing so the Development committee suggests the following;

1. The coaches work together and talk with the family of the player prior to affiliating;
2. Try not to affiliate all your AP's from the same team (as per Club System);
3. A maximum of 5 AP's are allowed;
4. A maximum of 3 AP's are allowed to be dressed for the same game;
5. AP's that play more than 10 games after Jan 10<sup>th</sup> are no longer eligible to play with their original team;
6. AP's are to be used solely to replace injured or unavailable players; and
7. Contact the Development committee and WV exec if there are issues early in the process or for any clarification.
8. Contact the WV registrar with the 5 players. These players will be added as AP on the team roster.

Here is the HNS Regulation on Affiliation.

### REGULATION SIX – AFFILIATION

6.0 **PURPOSE:** To provide an opportunity for higher Division or category teams to dress the maximum number of players allowable for a game in accordance with the playing rules.

6.1 Teams may use one of the following systems of affiliation.

1) Team to Team Affiliation. Applicable to all divisions Senior, (male and female) Junior, Minor and Minor Female. A team may only have 1 affiliated team.

2) Specially affiliated players. Applicable to Senior Female, Junior, and Minor Female Divisions only. A team may if they wish and in lieu of 1 affiliated team have 19 specially affiliated players of which at least 2 must be goaltenders, from lower division or category teams operating in the geographic subdivision in which the selecting team operates.

3) Major Bantam teams are permitted to sign 6 special affiliation agreements, one of which must be a goaltender.

4) Major Midget Teams are permitted to sign 10 special affiliation agreements, one of which must be a goaltender.

5) Club System. Applicable to Minor and Minor Female Divisions only. A club is defined as a Minor Hockey Association. The movement of players within a club shall only be to a team in a higher Division/category.

6) Players may only be affiliated to 1 team.

7) All such affiliations permitted under 6.1 shall terminate at the end of the current playing season, and may not be altered during the current playing season.

6.2 Minor Hockey will follow the “Club System” as defined in 6.1 (c) above and further defined and governed by Hockey Canada Regulation E.20 - E.28. This does not apply to Major Bantam or Major Midget.

6.3 Female Minor teams may use the “Club System” as defined in 6.1 (c) above and further defined and governed by Hockey Canada Regulation E.20 - E.28 or “Team to Team” affiliation as defined in 6.1 (a) above and further defined and governed by Hockey Canada Regulation E.9 – E.10. Only one method of affiliation may be used.

***Exceptions to 6.1(6) regulations for Female Minor:***

***a. When there are a limited number of teams to affiliate from, the affiliate team may be permitted to affiliate to more than one team with approval of the HNSFC Regional Director.***

***b. When there are a limited number of teams available to affiliate from, specifically one team that two or more teams will be affiliating from, a player may be granted permission to affiliate to more than one team with the approval of the HNSFC Regional Director.***

6.4 Junior and Senior teams use the special affiliate method of 19 special affiliates (as defined in 6.1(b) above and further defined and governed by Hockey Canada Regulation E.12 – 19) may do so provided that the 19 affiliate players are members of a registered league competing in a minimum of 12 home and 12 away games, prior to the commencement of the higher category teams’ playoffs.

6.5 The purpose of using affiliated players is to replace regular team players who are absent from the team and not to be used to fill a roster.

***Exception to 6.4 regulations for Female Minor:***

***a. In the case when the officially registered roster is 12 or less, affiliation can be carried out to fill a roster up to a maximum of 12 not exceeding a maximum total numbers of 3 affiliates. If affiliates are to be used to bring the roster to 12 players it must be done with the approval of the HNSFC Regional Director.***

6.6 General Affiliation Regulations for Minor and Minor Female Hockey as defined in 6.1 above and in Hockey Canada Regulation E 29-39 are applicable, except where defined herein.

1) Movement of players is restricted as follows:

<b>Division</b>	<b>Affiliates to:</b>
<b>Midget AA</b>	<b>Midget A, B, C</b>
<b>Midget A</b>	<b>Midget B, C</b>
<b>Midget B (Non-Checking)</b>	<b>Midget C</b>
<b>Midget C (Non-Checking)</b>	<b>Affiliation – As approved by HNSMC</b>
<b>Bantam AA</b>	<b>Bantam A, B, C</b>
<b>Bantam A</b>	<b>Bantam B, C</b>
<b>Bantam B (Non-Checking)</b>	<b>Bantam C, Peewee A, B</b>
<b>Bantam C (Non-Checking)</b>	<b>Peewee A, B</b>
<b>Peewee AAA</b>	<b>Peewee AA, A, B, Atom AAA, AA, A, B</b>
<b>Peewee AA</b>	<b>Peewee A, B, Atom AA, A, B</b>
<b>Peewee A</b>	<b>Peewee B, Atom A, B</b>
<b>Peewee B</b>	<b>Atom A, B</b>
<b>Atom AAA</b>	<b>Atom AA, A, B</b>
<b>Atom AA</b>	<b>Atom A, B</b>
<b>Atom A</b>	<b>Atom B</b>
<b>Atom B</b>	<b>Affiliation to House League for maximum of 5 skaters and 1 goal tender</b>