

## **Huron-Bruce Minor Hockey Association Representative & AE Team Tryout Guidelines**

The purpose of this document is to outline an approved standard process for the selection of individuals to be added to Representative Team rosters. This guideline will inform you of the process and as to how the results will be determined. This document is to be used as a guideline only.

The Huron-Bruce Minor Hockey Association Executive is to assign an active board member as the Liaison Supervisor to oversee the Try-Out Process. The Huron-Bruce Minor Hockey Association (HBMHA) Executive is to assign active board members to govern the Rep Team selection process for each specific age category. These individuals will be responsible for ensuring the assigned selection process is completed as per the standards outlined in this guideline. These individuals will act as the liaisons for the remainder of the season for that assigned age category.

1.0 The Liaison will arrange a minimum of 3 evaluators. No immediate family member(s) of participants in the evaluation process can be an evaluator unless they are appointed as the head coach of the Rep team. If such individuals do perform an evaluation of a family member, that family member(s) evaluation by the coach/relation will not be considered and the median of the other evaluators shall be used for that individual.

2.0 The HBMHA liaison will appoint an on-ice instructor to operate the on-ice activities of the selection process. The on-ice instructor shall gather a team of assistants to help aid the on-ice instructions. Rep coaches shall have an opportunity to pre-submit practice plans for the evaluation process.

3.0 There will be 3 scheduled Evaluation Times available per Team. Advanced notification of absenteeism will be required for approval. Evaluations shall not take place without a minimum of 3 evaluators, 2 on-ice instructors and a liaison or delegate to each of these individuals identified above.

4.0 Each participant must pre-register their jersey number and possible preferred position (Forward, Defense or Goaltender) prior to the initial evaluation. Jerseys for evaluation will be distributed to players upon sign-in. Participants are to use the same evaluation jersey for the entire evaluation process. Jerseys are to be returned at the end of each evaluation and not removed from the dressing room.

5.0 Each participant in the evaluation shall receive a minimum of 2 on-ice evaluations.

After the 2 initial evaluations, there will be an assigned number of players promoted to the Rep Team. They will be contacted at this time. The Rep Coach will then have the opportunity to choose which players he would like to further evaluate for the remaining rep spots. These players will be contacted and asked to attend evaluation 3, which may run in traditional try-out style or as scrimmages / exhibition games.

Parents/Guardians are to accept the decision of the Selection Committee and are required to follow the HBMHA 24 hour 'cool down' rule prior to inquiring of the selection process to the HBMHA liaison. Any players not planning to be evaluated or participate on the representative team are not to attend evaluations. Any player who withdraws from evaluations during the process shall not be granted affiliation for that season, unless required due to unforeseen circumstances. The liaison is to be notified. If a player excels, it's up to the HBMHA board to decide if they will receive the opportunity to play Rep hockey. Affiliation Papers have to be reviewed and passed by the HBMHA Board.

6.0 HBMHA has predetermined the quantity of players based on the total players registered for that age category using the Evaluation Quantity. Players shall not participate in evaluations if they are not registered with HBMHA 48 hours prior to the initial evaluation. The quantity of players will be discussed with the Rep Team Coach at which they may request for a change of team quantity that exceeds no greater or less than 10% of the pre-assigned quantity identified in the chart. The HBMHA liaison will be required to approve such requests prior to the final evaluation results.

An example of this would be the following:

30 players registered for Bantam, 2 teams will be registered (1 Rep and 1 Development).

The top 13 Participants shall be added to the Rep team roster.

<b>Quantity ID</b>	<b>Players Registered</b>	<b>Teams</b>	<b>Rep Team</b>
<b>Q013</b>	30	2	13

7.0 Each player shall be evaluated by the standardized HBMHA Player Evaluation Check Sheet, completed by the Selection Committee members. The Check Sheet will be returned to the responsible liaison at the end of each evaluation. After Evaluations 1 and 2, the liaison is to calculate the total median amongst the participants on each evaluator's check sheet & determine the participants being promoted. This is determined by the totaling of all the medians from each check sheet from all of the completed evaluations & identifying the advancing participants as per the quantity chart below. Each evaluation category will be scored ranging from a 0 (lowest) to 5 (highest) on the ability of that player for that particular hockey skill.

Example:

<b>Forwards</b>							
<b>Player #</b>	<b>Skating Ability</b>	<b>Puck Handling</b>	<b>Shooting Ability</b>	<b>Game Skills</b>	<b>Total Score</b>	<b>Discipline Factor</b>	<b>Median</b>
Forward #1	3	1	2	4	10		<b>2.50</b>
Forward #2	3		5	2	9	1	<b>3.00</b>
Forward #3	2	3	4	2	11		<b>2.75</b>
<b>Defense</b>							
<b>Player #</b>	<b>Skating Ability</b>	<b>Puck Handling</b>	<b>Shooting Ability</b>	<b>Game Skills</b>	<b>Total Score</b>	<b>Discipline Factor</b>	<b>Median</b>
Defense #1	3	3	2	4	12		<b>3.00</b>
Defense #2	2	3	1	2	8		<b>2.00</b>
<b>Goalie</b>							
<b>Player #</b>	<b>Skating</b>	<b>Positioning</b>	<b>Puck Handling</b>	<b>Reaction Time</b>	<b>Total Score</b>	<b>Discipline Factor</b>	<b>Median</b>
Goalie #1	3	1	2	4	10		<b>2.50</b>
Goalie #2	4	2	4	2	11	1	<b>2.75</b>

Note: Evaluators may mark 1 Discipline point down for any player who doesn't obey instructions and/or displays poor sportsmanship. This point shall be deducted from the Total Score which calculates the median.

Evaluation check sheets are not to be adjusted amongst evaluators. Any unpopulated evaluation columns will be unaccounted for when the median is calculated and not affect the median value. Medians will be rounded up to the nearest hundredth. In the event of a tie the Rep Coach will have the final say unless the individuals are family members at which the liaison will make the final call.

8.0 Players not being added to the final rep team roster shall be assigned to the development team roster. As many as 19 players assigned to development teams shall have an opportunity to affiliate with the rep team roster. This assignment does not necessarily guarantee them to participate in rep team activities. Participation will only be at the request of the Rep Team coaching staff.

Assignment of players on development team rosters shall be notified of their assigned team by either the HBMHA liaison and/or the assigned team's coaching staff. Requests for specific alternative team assignment shall be considered by the HBMHA liaison when developing alternative rosters. Additional consideration shall be taken to evaluation scores when 2 or more alternative teams are required to ensure even competition amongst the alternative teams.

9.0 Any participants that are successful in the evaluation process and decide not to register with the representative team shall be withheld from the evaluation process for the following season, unless a letter is submitted prior to the forthcoming season explaining the decision not to roster with the rep team from the

previous season. The HBMHA board must approve or decline the participation in the evaluation process of that individual for the following season if such an explanatory letter is received.

In the event that the terms of this guideline are not reached&/or all other unsettle matters shall be reviewed by the HBMHA board on a case by case basis at which a path forward will be determined. In the event that individuals are added to the age category after the evaluation process, that individual shall be assigned to a team determined by the liaison that is in the best interest of the HBMHA without demoting players previously selected to the rep team. Individuals not selected to the rep team from the evaluation process may be assigned to the rep team upon review of evaluation check sheets by the HBMHA liaison if such additional registration arises.

Check sheets shall be kept on record by HBMHA until December 31<sup>st</sup> of the calendar year the evaluation is completed in.

10.0 All unique situations will be reviewed by the board and a decision will be made.

**HBMHA Try-Out Guideline is a guideline ONLY!**

This document has been reviewed and accepted by HBMHA board members to be used as the official process of HBMHA try-outs.

