



WALDEN MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION



Draft Process-Pre-Novice to Bantam

Head Coaches will be determined before first weekend of evaluations. The Head Coach will be able to select one Assistant Coach, Trainer or Manager, both of their children will be protected players going into draft, and cannot be chosen by another team.

Drafts will be completed after last evaluation weekend. The draft will be run by the Division Convener and assisted by the Technical Director. The Division Convener has final say in all matters regarding the draft.

The players will be drafted in three Rounds in order to provide fair and balanced teams. Pre-Novice draft will be classed as a single round with no Minor or Goalie categories.

Round 1= Major Age Players

Round 2= Minor Age Players

Round 3= Goalies

Draft order will be determined by Division Convener. The order will be based on number of Major/Minor players going into draft protected, and ratings of these players. The number of Major players per team will be balanced out at beginning of draft, (team (s) with no Major Players will select first and consecutive if necessary). This is the same for next round when team (s) with no Minor Players will select first and consecutive if necessary to balance team numbers. The order will be a continuous one using the model below for the first two rounds of drafting until all players are selected. If a coach has last pick in any round, they cannot refuse to pick a player. If a player with a sibling is chosen, the sibling automatically becomes a protected player, but the coach loses the next pick if in the same round. If protected player is from next round, coach does not lose a turn but has to pick the protected player during one of his/her picks in the next round. Teams will draw straws for the order of the goalie draft in the third round. If there are more goalies than teams, extra goalie(s) goes to team(s) as determined by Division Convener

Depending on # of teams the draft order is as follows:

2 Teams- 1-2, 2-1, 1-2, 2-1 etc.

3 teams- 1-2-3, 3-2-1, 1-2-3, 3-2-1 etc.

4 teams- 1-2-3-4, 4-3-2-1, 1-2-3-4, 4-3-2-1 etc.

5 teams- 1-2-3-4-5, 5-4-3-2-1, 1-2-3-4-5, 5-4-3-2-1 etc

Regular Player Trades at end of draft are permitted if all parties agree and the Convener approves the trade. The trade must be a player of same age group (no Minor for Major trades and vice versa).

Team lists are final and will be distributed by Convener at completion of the draft.

Coaches are responsible for contacting their teams before the next weekend of hockey.

This draft process will not apply to pre-selected players for the purpose of tiered teams at any level.