

Player Name: _____ Level: Atom PeeWee Bantam Midget (circle one)

Rep ‘Try Out’ Process & Player Commitment Agreement.

If you wish to play on a WVMHA Rep team, you must agree to abide by the Rep rules of conduct and meet the commitment expectations.

- **Rep Try Outs**

- All Players, Atom to Midget, have the opportunity to try out for Rep A. The Association Coaching Coordinator may re-assign a player to a C Team at anytime during the tryouts, without there being a requirement for game play assessment, if in his/her sole opinion, the player is not suitable to play at the Rep level.
- Players who did not indicate on their registration form that they want to try out for a Rep Team and wish to do so, must obtain permission from the Coaching Coordinator prior to the conclusion of the first round of try outs.
- Except with approval from the Coaching Coordinator, any player failing to attend all scheduled ice times for try-outs or who registers late without valid reason, is not eligible for Rep selection.
- Registered players attending Junior or Major Midget tryouts are exempted from attending tryouts where a scheduling conflict occurs by giving written notice to the Coaching Coordinator prior to September 1.
- Players that miss two or more tryout sessions due to injury and or sickness require a “Doctor’s note” to be eligible to continue the tryout process.
- Selection of initial Rep team rosters will be determined by October 15 with allowance for returning Junior or Major Midget players if applicable.
- Selection to a Rep Team does not guarantee a position on the Rep Team for the season. A player may be moved to another team within the ‘Player Movement Policies’.

- **Complaints or Objections of Team Placements:**

- Parents or players with questions or concerns regarding player placement must wait 24 hours before contacting the Division Coordinator. The Division Coordinator in consultation with the Association Head Coach and the Coaching Coordinator shall respond in writing within 24 hours. If the issue is not resolved, an appeal may be filed in writing to the Ombudsman. Should a further on ice review be required, it will take place on the team the player has been moved to.

- **Team Selection:**

Rep team players will be selected based on commitment to play Rep hockey, ability and fitness. Attendance of all team activities is a requirement for acceptance to Rep team play and missing a team activity for another sport is grounds for automatically being moved to house. (see table below)

Required Participation	Atom	PeeWee	Bantam	Midget
Required Game Attendance	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Required Practice Attendance	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Required skills clinics	Yes	Yes	Yes	Recommended
Required goalie clinics	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Dryland Training	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

- Selection will be made over several on-ice sessions by a WVMHA designated group of evaluators.
- Where appropriate, WVMHA may contract for external expertise to assist in the evaluation process.
- Once teams are selected players may still be transferred to other teams (including movements up and down) in accordance with the Associations ‘Player Movement Policy’.
- Only two goalies will be selected per team. Registering as a goalie does not automatically result in being able to play as a goalie.
- Provided a player has registered by due date with the Association but is trying out with a Junior or Major Midget Team, if the player is released from that team after making the roster, they are automatically eligible to return to WVMHA as a Rep player on or before November 15. Where the team roster cannot accommodate the returning player without causing a player movement, the team Head Coach with approval from the Coaching Coordinator will make the decision as to which player(s) shall be moved in order to accommodate the returning player. This may require movements on several teams and if the returning player is a goalie, could cause a goalie to lose their position as goalie in WVMHA. In this case, the Association would make every reasonable effort to assist them in temporarily transferring to another Association that may have an opening for a goalie.

- **Rep Team formation criteria:**

The number of 'Rep Teams' at each level will be decided by the Board of WVMHA based on the number of registrants who meet the requirements for 'Rep' play.

- Rep A teams will be comprised of the 'best qualified' registrants.
- Rep B teams shall only be created if there are sufficient registrants not playing A to meet the minimum team size and the skills, commitment and fitness of the registrants wanting to play B are of such a level as to allow the team to be likely to play competitively.

- **Player Movement:**

- Rep to House:

- Selection to a Rep team doesn't guarantee a position on that team for the season. Players who:
 - Fail to meet their 'commitment' obligations may be moved down at the sole discretion of the coach at any time prior to the PCAHA deadline for player movements of January 10th.
 - Are not meeting the skill level requirements may be moved down as follows:
 - Any player on or before October 15 at the sole discretion of the coach.
 - A maximum of a further 3 players after October 15 but on or before December 15 at the sole discretion of the coach.
 - Any player after December 15 but on or before January 10, with the approval of the Coaching Coordinator.
- Released players from Major Midget or Junior Teams
 - Some movements may be required as late as November 15 to accommodate players and goalies that have been released from Junior or Major Midget Teams.

- **Skills Development:**

The objective of West Vancouver Minor Hockey Association is to provide opportunities for all registered players to improve their hockey proficiency through skill development. Participation in this program is mandatory for all Rep goalies and Atom, PeeWee and Bantam skaters:

- **Equal Ice:**

WVMHA expects all of its players to compete at their highest level and to the best of their ability with an obvious dedication to improving their hockey skills and technique. This requires, a great deal of effort, a commitment to teamwork, and a love for the game. WVMHA recognizes a players contribution in terms of extra training done outside the scheduled team sessions, i.e. Treadmill/power skating, movement training, etc. Players may be rewarded for work done in these areas as well as for showing added enthusiasm, leadership, and unselfishness

In Rep hockey, ice time shall be at the sole discretion of the team coach in the interest of the team. Fair consideration is given by coaches to players:

- Skill level,
- Attendance (Lateness and/or absenteeism) of scheduled team sessions which include: games, practices, team meetings, skills sessions and off-ice training. Periodic absence due to academic schoolwork or unavoidable job requirements will be understood but absences due to social or other sports activities are not acceptable.
- Respect for fair play codes of conduct – the values of which are expected to be upheld.
- Behavior in support of the overall goals and objectives of the association, or, display of qualities that go beyond what is expected, and
- Ability to physically or mentally cope with the amount of on ice time.

- **Team First, Speak Out and Zero Tolerance Policies:**

- All players must make a personal commitment to the principles of Fair Play Respect and Integrity and are required to sign the appropriate Team First contract and give a copy to their Team Manger.
- WVMHA fully adopts the Speak Out program of zero tolerance of harassment and abuse in hockey both on and off the ice. **Players involved in bullying, abuse or harassment will be suspended.**
- WVMHA will enforce a zero tolerance policy for the use of Controlled Drugs and Substances / Alcohol. Zero tolerance means that behavior contrary to that above will not be tolerated.

I understand the 'Rep' selection process and if I am selected to play on a 'Rep' team, I agree to meet the requirements and expectations for playing on that team. I understand that if I fail to meet those requirements and expectations, I may receive less ice time, be moved to a house team or be suspended.

Player Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Rep Goalie Selection Process.

These are designed to ensure that objective and standardized assessment is utilized in the placement of WVMHA 'house' and 'Rep' goalies. Only qualified goalie coaches will be used to assess skills.

General policies relating to goalies;

- Rep teams shall have a maximum of 2 goalies but may carry one goalie if only one goalie qualifies as a 'Rep' goalie
- Registration as a goalie does not guarantee a position in WVMHA as a goalie.
- Equal ice entitlement is consistent with the general policy of WVMHA.
- All Rep goalies must attend the goalie skills clinics.

Rep Goalie Selection policies;

- Goalies are only eligible to play Rep if they have attended try-outs. A skills qualified goalie who has not attended try outs may be asked to play Rep in his/her division on the lowest level Rep team in the event that there are insufficient goalies who have attended try outs to meet the minimum requirements of 1 goalie per team.
- Selection to be made only after receiving an objective Report from qualified goalie coaches as to the current skill level of a goalie and their likely development during the season. The assessment and team placement to be based on an assessment that recognizes all aspects of goal tending including:
 - Statistics and performance including: save percentage.
 - Athletic Ability including: conditioning, strength, agility and quickness.
 - Goal tending technique including: general ability, positional play, technique, vocalization to team.
 - Attitude and coachability for prior and current year including: commitment, attendance, mental strength, drive to improve, team player.
- The team coaches and the Association Head Coach shall not override the objective skill level Report of the goalie but can modify the goalies seniority based on their knowledge of the goalies historical effort, attitude and commitment. Any such modification to seniority shall be subject to approval by the Goalie Coordinator .
- Age will not be a factor in goalie selection unless after additional skills testing, it is still deemed that the two goalies are equally skilled. Where age does become a factor, the older goalie will be given priority.
- Where two or more goalies are competing for the same placement and where there is no clear difference in skill level, the qualified goalie coach will provide input on the relative skill level of the goalies in game situations.

Rep Goalie Selection Process;

- Initial movements from Rep to House may be made after the 1st skills session and will be based on an assessment that a goalie has not yet attained the skills required to play Rep at their division level. Game play is not required.
- Final 'Rep' teams selection shall be based on the following:
 - To minimize the time taken to finalize the selection process, 50% of the available positions at each division will be automatically filled by the top scoring goalies in the skills testing sessions. Game play is not required to secure these placements. If there are two Rep teams, the top scoring goalie shall automatically be placed on the A team. The second goalie is guaranteed a position on a Rep team but placement on A or B shall be determined only after the remaining goalies have been assessed in game play.
 - If the number of remaining goalies exceeds the number of available slots, the remaining goalies shall each play 1, three period game after which placement between 'A' and 'B' teams and movement to 'C' shall be decided.
 - Should further assessment still be required, in no event shall placement be delayed beyond October 31.
- Where there is a possibility of an eligible goalie returning from either Junior or Major Midget roster, the lowest ranked Rep goalie will be assigned to a House team but be 'affiliated' with, and play with the Rep team. If the eligible goalie does not return by January 10, then the 'affiliated' goalie will be formally carded to the Rep team.
- **Reassessment of Rep selections.**
 - All reassessments of goalies to be carried out by qualified goalie coaches and movement to take place only with approval of the Goalie Coordinator and Coaching Coordinator.
- **Injured Goalies who cannot complete the Rep try out process:**
 - Goalies who registered but are injured either before the try out process commences or during the tryout process such that it is impractical for them to be properly evaluated and who have a medical certificate to confirm the injury, may be evaluated at the goalie clinics when they are fit. If the goalie coaches feel that they are of Rep caliber, then prior to November 1, the goalie may, with the approval of the Goalie Coordinator and Coaching Coordinator, be evaluated for a Rep team.