

RINGETTE ONTARIO NEWS

G&T SPRING EDITION Season Updates 2018

AA DIVISIONS:

- All U14AA, U16AA and U19AA teams must submit by July 10th a list of 6 tournaments that they would like to attend, ranked in order of preference. Teams must include tournaments from at least 4 different Regions. All teams must indicate the total number of in and out of region tournaments that they wish to attend. This is a preference and not a guarantee. To be eligible to attend Provincials, teams are required to attend a minimum of 4 ORA sanctioned events and 2 of those tournaments must be out of the home Region.
- All 18+AA teams must submit by July 10th a list of 6 tournaments that they would like to attend, ranked in order of preference. Teams must include tournaments from at least 3 different Regions. All teams must indicate the total number of in and out of region tournaments that they wish to attend. This is a preference and not a guarantee. To be eligible to attend Provincials, teams are required to attend a minimum of 4 ORA sanctioned events and 1 of those tournaments must be out of the home Region.
- The winning percentage for the AA ranking will be based on the number of scheduled ranking games played. If a team withdraws from a ranking game, then that team will receive “0” points for the game and the opposing team will receive “2” points and a score of 1-0. Percentages will be used for final rankings.
- Any team that has played at the 18+AA level (formerly known as the 18+A Jacks) the previous season must have G&T approval to reseed to 18+A.

2018-2019 PROVINCIAL DATES

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS – WATERLOO – MARCH 7-10, 2019.

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS – WEST FERRIS – MARCH 14-17, 2019.

U12 PROVINCIAL EVENT – GUELPH – MARCH 21-24, 2019.

A DIVISIONS

- All U14A, U16A, U19A, 18+A and 18+U teams must submit by July 10th a list of 6 tournaments that they would like to attend, ranked in order of preference. Teams must include tournaments from at least four different regions and a minimum of two tournaments must be prior to December 1st. The top four tournament selections must include two options from out of Region. All teams must indicate the total number of in and out of region tournaments that they wish to attend as well as how many they would prefer to attend prior to December 1st (preference not guarantee). To be eligible to attend Provincials, teams are required to attend a minimum of four ORA sanctioned events at the appropriate level. Every U14A through 18+A team must attend a minimum of one tournament by the end of the first weekend in December.
- As requested by the Membership, the Provincial G&T Committee will be putting more emphasis on maximizing team exposure at tournaments and as a result, teams could be asked to reconsider their tournament selections to assist with this priority. The majority of these requests will be made between July 10th and 25th with the possibility of a few more to be made the weekend of July 28th-29th.

NEW THIS YEAR: a modification to the A Provincial Level Team Ranking Formula

- a maximum of 2 points can be achieved between two Provincial “A” opponents regardless of the number of times they play each other
- one win each: teams get 1 point each, 2 wins and 1 loss equate to 1.33 and .67 points
- winning percent is based upon the total number of opponents
- only round robin games will count towards rankings

U12 DIVISION:

- All teams must submit by September 17th a list of 5 tournaments that they would like to attend, ranked in order of preference. Teams must indicate the total number of in and out of region tournaments they wish to attend (preference not guarantee). To be eligible to attend the Provincial Event, all U12 Provincial teams are required to attend a minimum of two ORA sanctioned events at the appropriate level one of which must be out of region and a maximum of 5 including the U12 Provincial Event. Teams need to do their best to attend one tournament by November 20th and a second by January 15th.

ALL PROVINCIAL LEVEL TEAMS:

- Tournaments and ranking games will be assigned to the U14AA, U16AA, U19AA and 18+AA teams at the July SCM, tournaments to the U14A, U16A, U19A, 18+A and 18+U teams at the July SCM and tournaments to the U12's during a conference call the week of September 21st. Failure to provide this information as requested will result in the teams being assigned to tournaments as fits the requirements of the G&T Committee.

SANCTIONED EVENTS

INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT WITHDRAWAL DATES:

- Does not apply to Provincial level teams that have been assigned to tournaments as per the selections they submit regardless whether they intend to attend provincials or not. Upon assignment to tournaments, teams are to complete the registration process for each tournament that they have been assigned to. Once a team has been assigned to a tournament, they cannot be denied acceptance into the tournament and they cannot withdraw from the tournament without approval by the Provincial G&T Committee in the case of extenuating circumstances.

SUBSTITUTIONS:

- All substitutions must be approved by the appropriate person as indicated on the TRF Adjustment Form prior to the player stepping on the ice to participate as a substitute. Teams arriving at tournaments without approval for substitutions will not be permitted to use the substitute until approved. Substitution rules are available in section 3.5.7 of the G&T section of the Operating Manual available on the ORA website. It is the responsibility of every head coach to ensure that these rules are followed when using a substitute.

NEW THIS YEAR:

- teams may carry up to four (4) substitute players in total per tournament. The maximum number of lateral players permitted as part of the (4) substitutes will be two (2)
- the exemption for goal tenders substituting will be removed and goal tenders will follow the same substitution rules as other players in the age category
- all requests for substitutions must be made at least 48 hours prior to the official beginning of the tournament. Requests made with less than 48 hours or during the tournament will only be granted for medical or extenuating circumstances.

ADDING PLAYERS TO TRF AFTER NOVEMBER 15TH:

- When players are added to provincial level teams after November 15th, G&T Committee approval is required.

EVENTS:

- There will not be any over time during round robin games at any of the Provincial Events.
- In a division with less than 8 teams, the top three teams will advance to the medal round: Bronze medal game – 3rd ranked versus 2nd. Gold medal game – 1st versus winner of Bronze medal game.
- A Provincial Level Divisions: there is an option to add one more team to the lowest tier of any division if there is only one team being excluded from participating.

- U12 Provincial Event: this event will include up to 10 U12 Regional teams. All Regional teams wishing to attend must register via the on-line intent to proceed registration form by November 20, 2017. In early December, up to ten teams will be randomly drawn during a G&T conference call.
- Provincial teams will be required to provide contact information to be used throughout the year including the booking of rooms at Provincial Events and for receiving information regarding these events by the end of June. The form for tournament selection will be circulated to the coaches shortly after the tournaments have been sanctioned.

NEW THIS YEAR:

- Associations withdrawing from the Provincial Events after the withdrawal deadline: December 15th of the current season shall be fined \$1000 in addition to Administrative and Team Entry fees which are non-refundable.

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