



## RINGETTE ONTARIO

### TEAM VIABILITY & U12 TEAM FORMATION

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#### TEAM VIABILITY

While recognizing that player skill levels are to be considered when determining teams, it is understood that the needs of the association to ice a viable team supersedes the needs of an individual player. A viable team is considered to be ten (10) skaters plus a goalie for U14 Divisions and below and fifteen (15) skaters plus a goalie at U16 and U19 Divisions. Associations may choose to register a team with fewer players than the determined viable number.

#### 1.1 PARTICIPANT RIGHTS IN SELECTION

- 1.1.1 Selection criteria must be established by the body having the right to do so.
- 1.1.2 Selection criteria must be clear, concise, and, where discretion is avoidable, it must be confined.
- 1.1.3 Participants must be protected from bias.
- 1.1.4 There must be an opportunity for Appeal.

For the purposes of this policy, Participant is defined as: “anyone who pays a registration fee and participates at competitive events sponsored by Ringette Ontario”.

#### 1.2 U12 TEAM FORMATION

Associations be permitted preliminary U12P team formations during the spring, where up to eight (8) skaters and one (1) goaltender can be offered per team.

For Associations that will be hosting 2 teams at U12P, they are permitted to offer up to eight (8) skaters and one (1) goaltender spots for their Tier 1 team and then up to another eight (8) skaters and one (1) goaltender spot for a second U12P team without determination of which team they will be assigned to until final tryouts in the fall. Absolutely no team activities are permitted during the summer. Teams will be finalized during a last round of tryouts in the fall with Team Roster finalized by September 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Note:** Holding tryouts in the spring is optional for each Association and any Association is permitted to start and complete the full tryout process in the fall.