

### 3. Eligible Team Members Policy

#### 3.1. Affiliated Players

- 3.1.1. The maximum number of **players**\* dressed and listed on a Game Report shall be:
- a) When using no affiliates - 18 players
  - b) When using affiliate(s) as skater(s) only - 12 players
  - c) When using affiliate skater(s) plus an affiliate goalie - 13 players
  - d) When only using an affiliate goalie - 18 players
  - e) In all scenarios there can be a maximum of five (5) affiliate players
- \*NOTE: "**players**" includes goalies, skaters and affiliates.
- 3.1.2. The number of Affiliate Players used by a team may not exceed the original team roster size.
- 3.1.3. An Affiliate Player may only play for another team within their association:
- a) As a Call Up in accordance with the RNS Player Call Up Matrix (see Appendices); or
  - b) When calling up is not possible, as a Call Across from another team of the same age category and division within the same association.
- 3.1.4. When Affiliate Players are used as a Call Across under rule 3.1.3.b) no player can be used more than once until all interested players on the team that is being called from have been cycled through.
- 3.1.5. Requests for exceptions to rule 3.1.3. will only be considered by the League Committee in order for a goalie to be permitted to play as an affiliate for a team that is not within the goalie's home association.
- 3.1.6. After December 31, once a player has been called up three times, that player is no longer eligible to be called up again that season, unless by special permission from CRRL and RNS (Provincial's eligibility). This is waived in the case of a goalie at U14 and above.

#### 3.2. Eligible Players

- 3.2.1. All players must be registered in good standing with a CRRL Member Association.
- 3.2.2. Member Associations shall be responsible for ensuring that all players are of the correct age for the division they are playing in and reside within the proper boundaries, subject to 3.2.3. Any improper use of an affiliate or out of boundary player constitutes an ineligible player and may be dealt with under the Discipline Review Policy.

- 3.2.3. Non-contested player releases from one Member Association to another accepting Member Association will be considered eligible players by CRRL.
- 3.2.4. At the request of a Member Association a player may be eligible to play down one age division if the placement has been recommended by two minimum CSI certified coaches and the movement is approved by the League Committee prior to September 30.
- 3.2.5. A head coach who plays an ineligible player will:
  - a) Be immediately suspended until their case has been dealt with under the Discipline Complaints Policy.
  - b) Forfeit all games involving an ineligible player in favor of the opposing team and be subject to a fine. The official score for a forfeit shall be posted as 3-0.

### 3.3. Eligible Coaching Staff

- 3.3.1. All bench staff (head coaches, assistant coaches, trainers, managers) must meet the certification requirements as set by Ringette Nova Scotia and Ringette Canada.
- 3.3.2. Teams must have a minimum of one fully qualified female coach (18 years or older) on the bench.
- 3.3.3. In order to be eligible all bench staff must complete the [National Coaching Certification Program \(NCCP\) Safe Sport Training module](#) prior to participating in any CRRL exhibition or league play.

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