

SMHA CONCESSION APPLICATIONS 2023-2024

REQUIRED TEMPLATE FOR APPLICATIONS BY ZONES OR INTERLOCK MHA'S

IMPORTANT:

- Concessions will be heard at Program Committee Meetings only and not directly to the SMHA Board;
- All concession applications must be submitted per this SMHA application template;
- All concession applications must be approved by the Zone or interlock MHA's Board of Directors **prior to** being submitted to SMHA;
- **Deadline for submission of written (by email) Concession applications (to go below OR above the approved grid) is September 5th to SMHA Executive Director- applies to SMHA zones and interlock associations;**
- SMHA Age Division Chairs will schedule their committee meetings to be conducted between September 6 – 17, 2023. Concession applications will be reviewed at these meetings;
- SMHA Age Division Chairs will present any concession requests coming from their meetings to SMHA Board meeting on September 18, 2023;
- Process does not apply to female hockey;

COMPONENTS OF THE CONCESSION APPLICATION TO SMHA

1. Cover Letter / Email:

General information summarizing the concession being requested by the zone or the interlock MHA that must include the following:

- date that the Board of Directors of the Zone or Interlock MHA approved the request to go forward to SMHA;
- the age division being requested to have a concession;
- whether the request is to go below or above the approved grid;
- specification of the applicable approved grid that the zone should be following and what grid format is being requested via the concession process; Example:

5-team U13 grid requires a 2-2-1 grid and our zone is applying for a concession to have a 2-1-2 grid;

- provide the Zone's / MHA's rationale for making the concession request;
- provide who will be the main contact for the zone / interlock MHA and who will be attending the Age Division Committee meeting for the zone / MHA;

2. STEP 1 Criteria Submission

- provide a summary sentence / paragraph on the % of first year players that are registered with the zone / MHA – a minimum of 60% is required to proceed;
 - provide a summary sentence / paragraph on the % of players that played below the Tier 1 level the previous year; a minimum of 60% is required to proceed;
 - for U15 and U18 concessions, provide a summary sentence on the number of players that have voluntarily opted into the C (no body checking) level and whose numbers do not count towards player totals for the purpose of the concession application;
 - provide a spread sheet that clearly lists the name, birthdate and the level played the previous season of each registered player;
- Note: - Please sort the list of players by birth year; For players new to SMHA hockey, please indicate their previous MHA and level played or record as New to Hockey if they have not played before;

3. STEP 2 Criteria Submission

- provide a complete summary of standings from the previous two seasons of the Zone's / MHA's teams in the age group for which the concession is being applied for;
- provide a complete summary of standings from the previous two seasons for the age group moving into the age group for which a concession is being applied for;
- Example:** *if a U13 concession is being applied for, provide standings for the previous two seasons of U13 as well as the previous two seasons in U11;*
- for U9 age concession requests, please be sure to indicate which players are New to hockey;

4. Submitting the Concession Application

Please submit the entire written concession application by September 5, 2023 to SMHA Executive Director, Kelly Boes, at kellyboes@sasktel.net