



CCM RISING STARS PROGRAM

(for 2nd year male Pee wee Players born in 2003)



GENERAL INFORMATION 2015-2016 SEASON

A. TEAM FORMATION

1. In order for a region to participate in the Rising Stars program, it must have at least a minimum of two 12-year-old (2nd year Pee wee) teams per region.
2. The region shall determine the formation of the teams. They may be formed by a geographical division within the region, or by a method determined by the region and approved by Hockey Manitoba.
3. Regions shall put in place a player selection process that will provide the opportunity for a second-year Pee wee aged player who so desires the opportunity to be placed on a Rising Stars team in their region.
4. Teams should not be formed as 'A' and 'B' teams, but to develop the skills of the individuals on teams as equal as possible.
5. It is strongly recommended that parents of eligible players should not be involved in the selection process.
6. With monthly skills sessions occurring, regions will have a good indication as to the interest and potential team from their regions.

B. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

1. The Rising Stars teams will be made up of second-year Pee wee aged players who reside in the region in the current season. Players may move between regions if near the boundary with agreement of the two Directors.
2. Team's roster cannot comprise of more than one (1) goaltender and seven (7) skaters who are registered on a Pee wee 'AA' team.
3. A player properly registered in the region may be added to a team's roster, as a permanent replacement if one of the original players is injured. Once replaced, that player is ineligible for further play on the team.
4. Only female players currently playing on a male team are eligible to participate in the Rising Stars Tournament.

C. TEAM SIZE

The Rising Stars teams will be made up of a maximum of seventeen (17) players, consisting of two (2) goaltenders, six (6) defensemen, and nine (9) forwards (15 skaters).

D. COACH REQUIREMENTS

1. The region shall select the coaching staff. It is preferable that the head coach of each team have a Development 1 (Intermediate) Level certificate, however, the region may opt for a head coach that has a Coach Level certificate.
2. All participating coaches must have a minimum of Coach Level and Respect in Sport.
3. Each team must roster a certified Safety person.
4. Parents of players are ineligible to be the **head coach** on the staff and it is recommended to the regions that if possible, parents should not be included in the bench personnel.

E. REGISTRATIONS

Regional team roster will be approved by the Regional Director in conjunction with the zone registrar.

F. REGULATIONS

1. Regions shall notify Hockey Manitoba in writing of their intent to ice teams no later than March 1st of the 2015-2016 hockey season.
2. Exhibition games cannot commence until the Provincial Peewee tournaments are completed.
3. Teams shall be permitted to play a maximum of three (3) exhibition games in the weeks prior to the tournament. These exhibition games may only be against other teams that are in this Player Development Program.
4. All players must be properly rostered on a "Rising Stars" team roster and the roster be approved by the Regional Director in conjunction with the zone registrar prior to the team's first game. Any blank roster will be sufficient; please note on the roster the program and team name (i.e. Parkland West).
5. Teams shall not roster more than 17 players of which a minimum of 2 shall be goaltenders. Teams are not permitted affiliate players. Teams can only dress a maximum of 15 skaters and 2 goaltenders (17 players) per game. Please note that the Athlete Development Committee encourages every region to fill out their rosters if players are interested in getting involved.
6. Team operation is the responsibility of the region. Any team failing to comply with the Rising Stars regulations may find the region suspended from the program for a minimum of one year.

G. AWARDS

SINCE THIS IS A DEVELOPMENT TOURNAMENT, AWARDS FOR ON-ICE PERFORMANCE WILL BE NOT APPROVED!