

## Glossary of Terms

These definitions are taken from Hockey Canada's Articles, Bylaws and Regulations for 2006-07, section A. Definitions. The full document can be found on the Hockey Canada website at: <http://www.hockeycanada.ca/6/7/5/4/index1.shtml>.

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For the purpose of all Hockey Canada Articles, By-Laws, Regulations, Rules and Policies unless otherwise defined in a specific regulation, the following words, terms and expressions are defined as follows in alphabetical order:

1. "Affiliate Player" ("AP") - refers to those players from club teams, affiliated teams, or specially affiliated players when such player(s) are participating with a higher Division/category team.
2. "Amateur" - An amateur hockey player is one who is not participating in organized professional hockey.
3. "Category" - has the meaning assigned by B.4, 5 and 6. [*Where the Divisions listed in B.1 (senior, junior, juvenile, midget, bantam, peewee, atom, novice, initiation) and other Divisions created under B.2 (major, minor) are further divided, such subdivisions shall be known as categories: AAA, AA, A and B. (In Junior Male Hockey, the categories are as follows: Major Junior, Junior A, Junior B and Junior C.)*]
4. "Club" - has the meaning assigned by E.20 (a). [*A club is defined as a local Minor Hockey Association operated and controlled by a duly elected Executive or Board of Directors, the members of which shall designate from among themselves, the persons referred to in E.4. (President; Secretary; and two (2) persons that the President and Secretary may designate as signing Officers for the purpose of release of a player.)*]
5. "Club Team" - has the meaning assigned by E.21 (b). [*A team operating within a club, shall be known as a "Club Team".*]
6. "Division" - means the classes of hockey being operated within this Association. These are as follows: Senior, Junior, Juvenile, Midget, Bantam, Pee Wee, Atom, Novice, Initiation and the Divisions created under B.2. [*major, minor*].
7. "Exhibition Game"- a game which is not part of the regular season, tournament, or play-off schedule.
8. "Geographic-Subdivision" has the meaning assigned by F.6. [*A geographic sub-division includes a city, a town, a municipality, a police village, a rural area or a zone as established from time to time by a Branch within its own jurisdiction.*]
9. "Goalkeeper(s)" and "Goaltender(s)" - means all players other than skaters.
10. "Home Branch"- means where a player resided and was last registered to play Minor hockey prior to registering to play Junior hockey.
11. "Horizontal Chain(s) of Teams" - means a group of club teams registered in a same Division but in different categories.
12. "House League" - House League Hockey is defined as a community oriented Minor hockey program structured to provide development and competition at the recreational level.

13. "Minor Hockey" - only includes the following Divisions: Juvenile, Midget, Bantam, Pee Wee, Atom, Novice, Initiation and the Divisions created under B.2. [*major, minor*].
14. "Permanent Affiliate" - A player who registers on a lower category team for the express purpose of affiliating on a full time basis to the higher category team.
15. "Player(s)" - means goaltenders and skaters.
16. "Region" – means the geographic territory comprised of one (1) or more Hockey Canada Branches.
  - a. "Atlantic Region" – means the grouping of the following Hockey Canada Branches: HPEI, HNS, HNB and HNL.
  - b. "Ontario Region" – means the grouping of the following Hockey Canada Branches: ODHA, OHF, and HNO.
  - c. "Pacific Region" – means the grouping of the following Hockey Canada Branches: Hockey Alberta, BCAHA, and Hockey North.
  - d. "Quebec Region" – means the Hockey Quebec Branch.
  - e. "Western Region" – means the grouping of the following Hockey Canada Branches: Hockey Manitoba and SHA.
17. "Release" - means the unconditional discharge of a player from team or club membership.
18. "Skater(s)" - means all players other than goalkeepers.
19. "Team" - has the meaning assigned by E.1. [*Definition of "teams" for registration purposes: a group of team officials, at least one of whom must be a coach, with all coaches meeting Branch certification and Speak Out requirements, and one of whom must be qualified in the Hockey Canada Safety Program (HTCP in Ontario), and a group of not less than fifteen (15) registered players, at least two (2) of whom must be goaltenders, who are qualified in one (1) Division and category under Hockey Canada regulations governing age, and other regulations up to the maximum number provided by Hockey Canada regulations.*]
20. "Team Official(s)" - means all or any of the persons involved in the management of a team or club, which includes: the coach; manager; safety person/trainer; equipment manager; team physician; President and other members of the Executive and/or Board of Directors of a team or club.
21. "Tournament"- A schedule of games played among three (3) or more teams, which follows an inter-locking schedule and leads to an eventual winner.
22. "Vertical Chain(s) of Teams" - means a group of club teams registered in the same category but in different Divisions.

The above definitions are an integral part of Hockey Canada's Regulations.