**Orillia Minor Hockey Tryout Camp Process**

**Rules**

1. There will be 5 tryouts between “A” and “AE”.
2. **All** players wanting to try out for a Representative Team **must attend the tryout camp according to their year of birth** (For e.g.: if a player is of Minor Peewee age they will attend the Minor Peewee “A”/”AE” tryout. If the player is of Major Peewee age they will attend the Major Peewee “A”/”AE” tryout. After the 3 tryouts are completed the players who were not offered a letter of commitment to the “A” team will then proceed to the remaining “AE” tryouts which will encompass both age groups.)
3. All players are guaranteed 2 tryouts.
4. After the second tryout a coach must hand each player a sealed envelope with a letter advising them to either return for the third tryout or direct them to the AE tryouts.
5. **All** players who attend Rep tryouts will be assigned to the team that best fits their skill set as determined at the tryouts. (A, AE or HL) (See tryout flow chart)
6. If a player refuses to sign a commitment letter for the specific team it will result in a release directly to OrilliaMHA house league. Extenuating circumstances will be referred to the Director of Rep for review.
7. Should there be an abundance of players registered to tryout for a specific division the tryout session will be divided into 2 tryout sessions. The minimum number of players where this will be determined is 34. The sessions are to be divided as evenly as possible.
8. The “AE” coach is expected to attend the first 3 tryouts in order to evaluate the players prior to them attending the “AE” tryout camp.
9. The Head Coach (Coach) **must** utilize the Orillia Minor Hockey Association Player Evaluation Form and follow the tryout criteria set out by the Board based on Hockey Canada Guidelines.
10. The criteria will be provided to the Coaches at a meeting prior to the commencement of tryouts.
11. The Coach must provide the list of evaluators being utilized prior to the commencement of tryouts for approval and to ensure proper procedure is followed (It is expected the Coach will ensure there are no conflicts in selecting their evaluators (For e.g.: A relative of a player that is trying out – this includes uncles, cousins, in laws, etc.). Coach must use the same evaluators at **all** tryouts.
12. Each team must roster minimum 13 skaters and 2 goalies unless granted an exception by the Orillia Minor Hockey Association (Board).
13. The final selection of the players in the Rep division is the responsibility of the Head Coach and their decision is final (with the exception of Novice, Atom and Peewee Tryout Camps). The Head Coach’s decision must be supported by the evaluations.
14. A player **may not** be cut from a Rep team once they have been selected and offered a Letter of Commitment.
15. All tryout forms must be **immediately** turned over to the Director of Rep upon completion of tryouts.
16. The Board will levy a tryout fee for all Rep teams, to be retained by the Board, a portion of this fee will be disbursed equally to the Teams for Team purposes at the end of the season and once all rep jerseys and/or equipment are returned.
17. The **Novice, Atom and Peewee** division tryout camps will follow the following process:

* A Selection Committee will be formed consisting of 3 non associated individuals who are selected, approved and paid by the Board in addition to the “A” and “AE” coaches
* The Selection Committee **must** utilize the Orillia Minor Hockey Player Evaluation Forms and follow the tryout criteria set out by the Board based on Hockey Canada Guidelines and
* The criteria will be provided to the Coaches at a meeting prior to the commencement of tryouts
* All tryout forms must be turned over to the Director of Rep upon completion of tryouts
* A Board member will be assigned to mediate/assist at each tryout for each division

1. The Director of Rep reserves the right to change the above tryout process based on extenuating circumstances and must be approved by the Board