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POLICY

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Age Grade & Eligibility Policy

This NZIHA policy outlines the criteria for participant eligibility within age grades at all NZIHA hosted or sanctioned events.

This policy incorporates all age grades, and is based on the age grades set out in the NZIHA Inline Hockey Rulebook.

1. All players in National, Regional or other competition sanctioned by the NZIHA shall be registered as NZIHA player members.
2. Age Grades are determined as;

Under 10 years

Under 14 years

Under 18 years

Junior Women -(Under 16 years)

Senior

Masters - (30 years and over)

Under 12 years

Under 16 years

Under 20 years

Women

Premier

Veterans - (40 years and over)

3. During the playing season women can play for an additional year in each of the U10, U12, U14, U16, U18, & U20 grades in NZIHA sanctioned events excluding NZIHA Inter Regional Championships.
4. Ages to be determined as at the 1st of January of each year.
5. New Zealand Championships will be held each calendar year. It is recommended that competition dates are notified at least six months prior where possible.
6. The NZIHA shall have the right to restrict the number of teams in any division if it considers the entry too large to properly conduct a championship.
7. All New Zealand Championships and National Leagues will come within the control of the NZIHA and permits must be applied for in writing, and submitted by the due date advised by NZIHA.
8. In the course of a competition year a Player member may only play in teams representing the Club that first registers them in that competition year.
9. Notwithstanding Clause 8 in the course of a competition year, a player may transfer and play for another Club providing the transfer process is followed and agreement is given by NZIHA. The transfer shall not be effective until the NZIHA has been advised in writing, consultation has taken place if deemed necessary and a decision has been advised by the NZIHA.
10. Players of other nationalities may play in major New Zealand Competitions with NZ Club Teams, however they must have resided in NZ for at least 28 days, or have the prior approval from the NZIHA Executive. *This will be waived if the player has arrived in New Zealand and is registered with a club and NZIHA prior the final date of registrations.* In any one team there

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shall be no more than three (3) players who are not primarily living in New Zealand and are not of NZ nationality. If in doubt the club should seek clarification and a ruling from NZIHA on individual cases.

11. All team officials with teams entered into NZIHA sanctioned competition shall be registered with the NZIHA.
12. Any player who is currently a registered member of the NZIHA as a player may be eligible for New Zealand Representative teams in their age grade subject to the selection process and international sanctioning authority and its eligibility criteria.
13. Clubs wishing to host a club event and apply for sanctioning may request a dispensation to offer age grades not listed in this policy when submitting to NZIHA.

Unless otherwise stipulated by an Annual General Meeting of the NZIHA, the competition year shall commence on the 1st January each year, and conclude on the 31st December.

International Competition

The age eligibility will be determined by the international sanctioning authority, in all international competition participation regardless of hosting within New Zealand or in another country.

Policy Application

1. This policy is to be applied in all NZIHA competitions, any NZIHA sanctioned event or tournament.
2. NZIHA Executive shall advise affiliated clubs at the beginning of each year which grades will be contested for New Zealand National Championships.
3. Players attending an NZIHA hosted or sanctioned competition may be required to provide proof of their age through the production of a photo driver's licence, passport or birth certificate.

Request for Policy Dispensation

1. Any changes to the administration of this policy by any club affiliated to NZIHA must be requested, in writing, to the NZIHA Executive.
2. This request must clearly outline the reasons for the submission.
3. Any decision to move away from this policy will be decided by the NZIHA Executive who may consult with affiliated clubs and / or NZIHA sub-committees.
4. All outcomes of these decisions will be advised, in writing, through the NZIHA Executive.

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