



Player Movement (U7 – U10) – Exceptional Status

Objective:

The North Bay Minor Hockey Association has had numerous players with the capability and talent to play in a higher division. As a practice, however, the NBMHA has encouraged players to grow and develop with players of their own age. An exceptional player in U7 – U10 may be allowed to move up a category provided the outlined criteria has been met and the appropriate procedure is followed. The only reason for allowing a player to move up within their own age category is to facilitate the development of that particular player, and not simply to provide the older club with additional players.

Applicability:

The following policy applies to all U7 (major) – U10 players under the jurisdiction of NBMH. Regardless of the number of requests reviewed to play up, NBMH will only allow one player to move up to a higher category.

Process:

Exceptional Status - U7 Major Players

NBMHA offers the opportunity for Major U7 players to try out for the U9 Tier 1 division if:

1. If Major U7 players are trying out, it is understood that your commitment is to the U9 Tier 1 Division (evaluations are not just for an extra skate)
2. U7 players can be released after the first evaluation. No refund will be granted.
3. Before Major U7 players can be eligible for a U9 Tier 1 team they would have to be rated in the top 10 skaters or the top goalie of that evaluation.
4. NOHA approval will be required for this movement after making the team.

Exceptional Status - U9 Major Players

NBMHA offer the opportunity for Major U9 players to try out for the U10AA Minor team if:

1. If Major U9 players are trying out it is understood that your commitment is to the U10 AA Minor team (evaluations are not just for an extra skate)
2. Major U9 players can be released after the first skate/evaluation. No refund will be granted.
3. Before Major U9 players can be eligible for the U10AA Minor team they have to be rated in the top 6 skaters or the top goalie of that evaluation.
4. NOHA approval will be required for this movement after making the team.

Exceptional Status - U10 Players

NBMHA offer the opportunity for U10 players to try out for the U11AA Major team if:

1. If Minors are trying out it is understood that your commitment is for this U11AA Major Team (evaluations are not just for an extra skate)
2. If you are trying out for the U11AA Major team, then you can't try out for the U10AA team at the same time.



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3. If the player is released on the last U11AA Major skate, there will be only one evaluation left to make the U10AA team.
4. Minors can be released after the first skate/evaluation. No refund will be granted.
5. Before Minor aged players can be eligible for the Major team they will have to be rated in the top 6 skaters or the top goalie of that evaluation.

To register your child for exceptional status, please send an email to NBMHA at nbminorhockey@outlook.com.

A player will only be charged one evaluation fee.