

## Policy 16. Tournaments

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Dorchester Minor Hockey Association teams from U9 and up (formerly Novice and up) shall be permitted to enter into and be granted travel permits for up four (4) jamborees/ tournaments per season (including International Silverstick Qualifier tournaments). Participation in the International Silverstick tournament will be considered an exception and in addition to the four tournament limit, thus allowing a qualifying team to participate in up to five tournaments. U5 and U6 age groups may attend a maximum of two jamborees per year. U7 and U8 age groups may attend a maximum of three jamborees per year.

Coaches are encouraged to pick tournaments early and in advance of the regular season scheduling. Coaches must provide tournament dates as soon as possible to the applicable league representative and ice scheduler, and must be added to the team calendar on the DMHA website, to avoid scheduling conflicts. Coaches who seek to enter tournaments after league scheduling has occurred shall ensure that the tournament does not require the cancelling or re-scheduling of any of the team's league or other pre-scheduled games.

Coaches wishing to reschedule regular season games due to pre-existing tournament commitments must contact the appropriate DMHA league representative and ensure that rescheduling the games are a priority. Cancelled games must be rescheduled by the applicable date selected by the appropriate league each year. Failure to do so will result in a fine to the

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DMHA will pay the tournament entry fee for the OMHA Championships. DMHA will purchase a banner for any team who wins an OMHA Championship or is an OMHA finalist (36x30). Such banners shall be displayed at the arena as permitted by arena rules

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Coaches are responsible for obtaining all necessary travel permits and documents necessary for tournament entry and for doing so in a timely manner. Travel permits are available from OMHA through the DMHA secretary, and must be requested sufficiently (at least two weeks) in advance of the proposed tournament to allow for the request to be processed. The team requesting the travel permit is responsible for any fee associated with it at the time of request. No travel permit will be requested by the secretary unless and until payment is made to DMHA. DMHA assumes no responsibility for any delays or other issues caused by the failure of a team to abide by this policy.

Teams will not be permitted to play against, practice with or participate in any form with teams not insured under the OHF insurance policies or teams not sanctioned by Hockey Canada. For proposed international tournaments, teams must comply with all OMHA and/or Hockey Canada provisions.

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