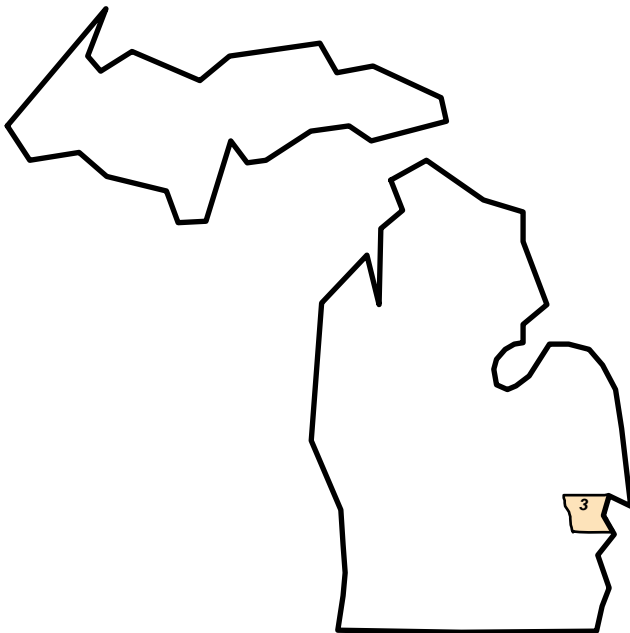


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M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3

PREFACE

August, 2011

This 16th M.A.H.A. District #3 Handbook is issued to all teams registered within the District.

The Handbook is intended as an aid in making the rules, regulations and procedures involved in amateur hockey easier to understand and follow. Included is information in the more common areas where questions arise. It is not intended to be all inclusive in that this District follows the rules, regulations and by-laws of both the Michigan Amateur Hockey Association and U.S.A. Hockey.

Order of Precedence of rulebooks (current editions):

- 1. U.S.A. Hockey Annual Guide & Playing Rules***
- 2. M.A.H.A. Annual Guide***
- 3. M.A.H.A. District #3 Handbook***

Each succeeding organization's rules can be more restrictive than the rules listed by the organizations above it. When researching a question, start with the District #3 Handbook and work up the list.

Please take the time to read and become familiar with the material in this handbook as well as the M.A.H.A. and U.S.A. Hockey Guides and Rules.

All of the above rules take precedence over the rules of any league in which your team may be participating. It is your responsibility to know and understand the rules of M.A.H.A. and U.S.A. Hockey. Do not rely on league personnel to answer M.A.H.A. and U.S.A. Hockey questions.

The District #3 Council is here to serve as volunteers to administrate and to assist all players, coaches, teams, associations, officials and parents within the District. Contact any Council member as the need arises.

Kim Durka
Kim Durka
District #3 Chairperson



M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3

ABOUT DISTRICT 3

- **MISSION STATEMENT**

- M.A.H.A. District #3 is the local governing body for the sport of ice hockey within the district boundaries as defined by the Michigan Amateur Hockey Association, an Affiliate of USA Hockey, Inc.
- As such, the mission is identical within the District, M.A.H.A. and USA Hockey: *To promote the growth of ice hockey in America and to provide the best possible experience for all participants by encouraging, developing, advancing and administering the sport.*

- **PURPOSE**

The purposes of the Michigan Amateur Hockey Association are:

- To develop and encourage sportsmanship between all players for the betterment of their physical and social well-being.
- To encourage and improve the standard of ice hockey within the State of Michigan.
- To affiliate with USA Hockey and other hockey associations.
- To conduct ice hockey tournaments and to select representatives for other tournaments.
- To do any and all acts desirable in the furtherance of the foregoing purposes.

- **DISTRICT #3 COUNCIL**

- The District Council works closely with the U.S.A. Hockey Associate Registrars and the District Referee-In-Chief in administering hockey within the District. A contact listing as well as the Council meeting schedule is shown on succeeding pages.
- In addition, District #3 meets with the other Districts within M.A.H.A., the M.A.H.A. Executive Board, and works on assigned statewide committees to discuss and develop concepts for the betterment of hockey throughout the State.



M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3

ABOUT DISTRICT #3

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PHONE</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
KIM DURKA	(586) 294-6747	22612 Garfield St. Clair Shores 48082	Chairperson/Director
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RAY KRAEMER	(586) 790-0962	35342 Blairmoor Clinton Twp. 48035	District Playoff Coordinator*

* non-voting

DISTRICT #3 REFEREE-IN-CHIEF

J.P. PARMENTIER

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USAH ASSOCIATE REGISTRARS

Each Associate Registrar covers registration for all hockey at each facility listed unless noted.

USAH Registrar, Brian Garves covers: Grosse Pte, McCann, Mt. Clemens Youth, St Clr Shrs, Ice Hawks

USAH Registrar, Dan Jaroshewich covers: Great Lakes, Rochester, Macomb, Oakland Jr. Grzzlies, All MSE Adults

USAH Registrar, Kathy Jaroshewich covers: Berkley, Hazel Park, Royal Oak, Troy, Honeybaked D3



M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3

DISTRICT MEETINGS SCHEDULE

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>
Monday	Aug. 1, 2011	Great Lakes Sports City	General Meeting
Wed.	Aug. 10, 2011	Enchantments by Crank's	Coaches Meeting
Monday	Sept. 12, 2011	Onyx - Rochester Ice Arena	General Meeting
Monday	Oct. 3, 2011	Royal Oak Senior Center	General Meeting
Monday	Oct. 17, 2011	Mt. Clemens Ice Arena	Districts Entries Review
Monday	Nov. 7, 2011	Troy Sports Center	General Meeting
Monday	Nov. 21, 2011	Great Lakes Sports City	District Exceptions Review & District Entries Review-JV
Monday	Dec. 5, 2011	Suburban Ice - Macomb	General Meeting
Monday	Dec. 19, 2011	Troy Sports Center	District Playoff Draw
Sunday	Jan. 8, 2012	St. Clair Shores Civic Arena 10:00 am – 6:00 pm	District Credentials Review
Monday	Jan. 9, 2012	Suburban Ice - Macomb	Rules Change Prop. Discussion
Monday	Jan. 23, 2012	Great Lakes Sports City	General Meeting
Monday	Feb. 20, 2012	Troy Sports Center	General Meeting
Monday	Mar. 5, 2012	Onyx - Rochester Ice Arena	General Meeting
Monday	Mar. 19, 2012	Birmingham Arena	General Meeting
Monday	Apr. 2, 2012	Royal Oak Senior Center	General Meeting
Monday	Apr. 16, 2012	Mt. Clemens Ice Arena	General Meeting
Monday	May 7, 2012	Troy Sports Center	Rules Change Prop. Discussion
Monday	June 4, 2012	Great Lakes Sports City	General Meeting

ALL MEETINGS BEGIN AT 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted above. Meetings are subject to change. Contact any Council member for verification of meetings. Additional meetings will be scheduled on an "as needed" basis.

2011-2012 DISTRICT #3 PLAYOFFS:

All Divisions: January 30 - February 12, 2012



M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3

DISTRICT #3 BOUNDARIES

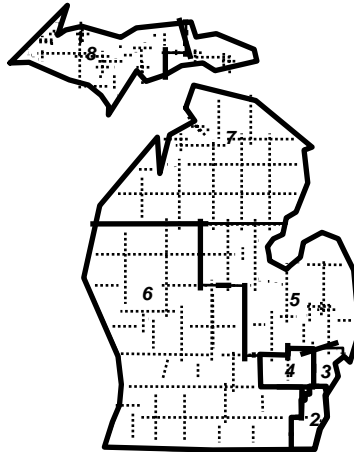
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District #3: All residents of Macomb County, and:

- those residents of Oakland County in cities / townships east of the north/south vertical line formed by Greenfield, Adams, Kern and Barr Roads from the Wayne County line to the Lapeer County line except residents of the city of Birmingham.
- residents of Harper Woods and all Grosse Pointes.

NOTES:

1. The vertical line formed by Greenfield, Adams, Kern and Barr roads does NOT follow the “jog” in Adams Road. example: The “vertical line” falls at the western border of Rochester Hills. All of Rochester Hills is in District #3.
2. The intent is to NOT split cities / communities between Districts. The “Listing of Cities” shown below lists the major communities within District #3. If a community is not shown, call MAHA for an answer. Do not assume that you know the answer.
3. There are NO Swing Districts. If a player lives outside of the District border, he/she is an out of District player. (Also reference current residency rules for players of divorced parents.)
4. A “mailing address” in a community different than where the player lives is NOT acceptable.



Listing of Major Communities Within District 3

ADDISON TWP.	GROSSE POINTE	MACOMB TWP	ROCHESTER HILLS
ARMADA	GROSSE PTE FARMS	MADISON HEIGHTS	ROMEO
BERKLEY	GROSSE PTE PARK	MEMPHIS	ROSEVILLE
BRUCE TWP.	GROSSE PTE SHORES	MT CLEMENS	ROYAL OAK
CENTER LINE	GROSSE PTE WOODS	NEW BALTIMORE	SAINT CLAIR SHORES
CHESTERFIELD TWP	HARPER WOODS	NEW HAVEN	SELFRIDGE ANGB
CLAWSON	HARRISON TWP	OAK PARK	SHELBY TOWNSHIP
CLINTON TWP	HAZEL PARK	OAKLAND TWP.	STERLING HEIGHTS
EASTPOINTE	HUNTINGTON WOODS	PLEASANT RIDGE	TROY
FERNDALE	LAKEVILLE	RAY TWP.	UTICA
FRASER	LENOX TWP	RICHMOND	WARREN
GOODISON	LEONARD	ROCHESTER	WASHINGTON TWP



M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3

REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

REGULAR SEASON REGISTRATION: YOUTH

REMEMBER: All coaches, managers and/or team officials shall have the sole responsibility for making sure that their team meets all requirements for its classification and meets all the criteria for eligibility for district and state playoffs.

- **ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION:**

- All participants are required to register on line at www.usahockey.com
- Every program in District #3 is Registered in CyberSport software.
- Rosters will be generated by computer.

- **THE FOLLOWING IS REQUIRED FOR CERTIFICATION OF ROSTERS:**

Team registration materials submitted to your D3 Registrar for certification must include the following documents:

- 1) **Roster** - Cybersport generated roster signed by all members listed. Use name as it appears on government issued birth certificate or passport (likewise, roster must be signed using this same name) Mite and younger need not sign; however coaches/manager must initial.
- 2) **Consent to Treat** – every player, coach, and manager¹
- 3) **Participant Code of Conduct** – every player, coach, and manager¹
- 4) **STAR Parental Code of Conduct** – every player – both parents need to sign this form¹
- 5) **Birth Certificate/Passport** – players only. For foreign born players consult D3 registrar. In addition, birth certificates/passports are not required if a “V” is listed on your roster when you get it from your subregistrar. These birth certificates/passports have already been verified. Any player without a “V” next to their name must present a birth certificate.
- 6) **IIHF Written Transfer** – required for non citizens. Consult D3 registrar
- 7) **Coaching Ethics Form** – all coaches¹ No paper coaches ethics form this year. It should appear on your background check. The only paper coaches ethics form that will be accepted is for student-coaches.
- 8) **Background Check Confirmation** – all coaches/managers go to www.maha.org to fill out and submit
- 9) **Waiver of Liability** – manager only. Can be printed from Cybersport ‘forms’ section.
- 10) **All families that are billeting players must complete a background check and screening.**
- 11) **A team must produce legal guardianship papers for any player under 18 years of age living in Michigan without a parent**

¹ Form Available on www.maha.org

Summary of documents required:

Players need:

- Consent to Treat
- Participant Code of Conduct
- STAR Parent
- Birth Certificate/passport
- IIHF (Written Transfer) for non citizens

Coaches/Managers need:

- Consent to Treat
- Participant Code of Conduct
- Background Check including Coaching Ethics Code
- Waiver of Liability (manager)



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REGISTRATION PROCEDURES (cont.)

REGISTRATION HIGHLIGHTS

General Information:

- All participants in Michigan are required to register online at www.usahockey.com
- Rosters are computer generated for the Fall/Winter Season.
- Name on roster must match name on proof of age document (eg: birth certificate, passport)
- Signatures on roster must match name on age document
- Registration fees are waived for 6 and under age players
- For players, youth and adults, the registration fee is paid only once and is good from September 1st through August 31 of the following year. (Good for the winter, spring, and summer season.)
- For coaches, the registration fee is paid only once.
If you coach more than one team and/or also are registered as a player, you do not pay again. Submit additional copies of your USA confirmation page to any additional teams you are joining.
- If you are USA Hockey registered as a referee, that membership does not transfer as registration for a player or coach.
- Once you are registered and have turned in a copy of your Registration Confirmation to your Association or Adult League, it is up to them to claim you as a player or coach in the USA registration system. USA Hockey no longer issues "Registration Cards". Your electronic registration confirmation form is your registration proof. Also, USA Hockey no longer issues "Coaching Cards".
- **Your insurance through USA Hockey is not valid if you are injured while participating in an event that is not USA Hockey sanctioned.**

IMPORTANT DATES:

- **May 1st**
 - USA Hockey registrations for the upcoming season start.
- **August 15th**
 - YOUTH: Teams can sign players, but winter season roster cannot be certified until September 1st.
- **September 1st**
 - All teams can roster players.
- **November 15th**
 - YOUTH: Final date to submit Request for Exception, in writing, to the District Council for District and State Playoffs.
- **November 30th**
 - YOUTH: Last day for team initiated player releases.
- **December 31st**
 - Final date to add players to be eligible for District & State Playoffs (all indoor teams).
 - All coaches must have attained the required CEP level.
- **March 15th**
 - YOUTH: Teams can sign players, but post season roster cannot be certified until April 1st.
- **April 1st**
 - YOUTH: First day of post season roster certification.
- **April 30th**
 - End of winter season; unless a team disbands at an earlier date.
- **August 31st**
 - All USA Hockey registrations expire.



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REGISTRATION PROCEDURES (cont.)

PLAYER RELEASE

This Form is now available On Line at www.maha.org The distribution of the form is the responsibility of the Releasing Team, and distribution instructions can be found at the bottom of the form.

Michigan Amateur Hockey Association

PLAYER CONDITIONAL RELEASE FORM

The conditions of this release form are as follows:

1. The player being released is released from the team on which he/she is currently rostered.
2. The parent/guardian of the player being released is obligated to pay all fees as signed on _____ 20____ and has posted advance payment of \$_____.
3. The player being released has returned all property and equipment to _____ on _____ 20____.
4. The parent/guardian of the player being released is willing to submit his/her contract obligations to a court of competent jurisdiction to determine what is due to the Association/Club or Independent regarding the fees set out on _____ 20____.

TO BE FILLED OUT BY RELEASING TEAM: (Please Print)

Players Name _____ Date of Birth _____
 Player's Signature _____ Date _____
 Releasing Team _____ Team Number _____
 Number of games played at time of release (by) Team _____ Player _____
 Signature of Releasing Team Official _____ Date _____

TO BE FILLED OUT BY RELEASING ORGANIZATION: (Please Print)

Name of Releasing Organization _____ Date _____
 Signature of Releasing Organization Official _____ Title _____

I, _____ parents/guardian of _____

Please Print Parent/Guardian Name Please Print Players Name

have read and fully understand the conditions of this release.

_____ Date _____

(Signature of Parent/Guardian)

NEW TEAM: THIS SECTION FOR ASSOCIATE REGISTRAR'S USE-ONLY

Date _____ New Team _____

Time _____ District _____ New Team # _____

Signature of Associate Registrar _____ Team Class _____

Not Eligible to Play Until _____ Time _____

DISTRIBUTION: USA Hockey Registrar / Releasing Team Associate Registrar / New Team Associate Registrar / Releasing Team/Organization

- A player requesting a release must be granted that request if he/she is current on their fees as outlined in their association / team player contract. In absence of the contract a prorated amount must be determined based on participation at the point of the player's release. That prorated amount must be paid before the release will be granted. Any and all equipment belonging to the team must be returned prior to the release as well. The District Council has the authority to release a player who is refused a release by his/her team or Association.

Reference Affiliate Agreement:

- P. Payment policies shall be clearly outlined in an Affiliates Bylaws or Operating Rules. Policies for payments, late payment fees and injury credits should be spelled out. If an affiliate has a player contract that shall be noted as well. Player Contracts may not contain provisions for collecting fees in excess of the chart below.
 - After contract is signed but never participated in any activities with the affiliate \$300
 - After September 1st 25% of total yearly fee stated in player contract.
 - After October 1st 50% of total yearly fee stated in player contract.
 - After November 1st 75% of total yearly fee stated in player contract.
 - After December 1st 100% of total yearly fee stated in player contract.

WHEN A PLAYER LEAVES TO PLAY HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY, A PLAYER RELEASE FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED TO THE USAH ASSOCIATE REGISTRAR.



M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3

REGISTRATION PROCEDURES (cont.)

POST SEASON REGISTRATION: Youth & Girls

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:

Players need:

- Consent to Treat
- Participant Code of Conduct
- STAR Parent
- IIHF (Written Transfer) for non US citizens

Coaches/Managers need:

- Consent to Treat
- Participant Code of Conduct
- Birth Certificate/passport
- Background Check
- Waiver of Liability (manager)

→ The above documents need to be collected and retained by each team manager/coach. Proof of USA Hockey membership is required for roster certification which includes one of the following for each member of the team:

- 1) USA Hockey confirmation page
- 2) copy of previous certified roster

- During the Post Season, a player may be registered with and play on a maximum of two youth teams at a time. If a player, who is already rostered on two teams, decides to change teams during the Post Season, a player release form is required and the player cannot play with the new team for 72 hours after the new roster has been sealed by the Associate Registrar, unless the team he is leaving has ended its Post Season and there are no more scheduled practices, games, and/or scrimmages.
- All of the same documentation required for rostering in the Fall season is required to be collected and maintained by the Post Season team's manager. If the player's forms from the Fall season are available, they may be used for rostering in the Post Season, otherwise new forms will need to be completed.
- All Post Season teams must be rostered and cannot play any scrimmages or games prior to having the team roster sealed by the Associate Registrar.
- You must roster your winter team for Post Season league play.

ADULT DIVISION REGISTRATION

• ELECTRONIC PLAYER REGISTRATION

- MAHA requires OnLine Player Registration.

Go to www.usahockeyregistration.com for details. Each player will receive a confirming registration e-mail that can be given to each league that he/she plays in. See Online Registration Procedures at the end of this section.

• ELECTRONIC TEAM REGISTRATION

- Each Adult team in District #3 is electronically registered by the league / registrar.
- Rosters will be generated by computer.



M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3

REGISTRATION PROCEDURES (cont.)

• ONLINE PLAYER/COACH REGISTRATION SPECIFIC INFORMATION

- MAHA requires that all registrations be completed online at www.usahockey.com. Each player/coach will receive a confirming registration e-mail that must be given to the team league that he/she plays on.
- **Please note:** *You must be at least 18 years old to complete online registration. A parent or legal guardian must register any players younger than 18 years old.*
- Go to www.usahockeyregistration.com
 - Pay online with Visa or Mastercard
 - Credit or debit cards accepted
 - Make sure cardholder's name is typed exactly as it appears on the card
 - Enter credit card number with no dashes or spaces
 - Verify that person completing registration is at least 18 years old
 - Click box to agree that you understand that USA Hockey has a **no refund** policy.
 - Select member type to begin (Ice Player/Coaches of participating programs)
 - Verify age (You must be 18 years old to continue registration)
 - Enter personal information of the participant being registered:
 - Please make sure to use the participant's legal name as it appears on their birth certificate.
 - **An email address is required for confirmation.**
 - The confirmation page will be e-mailed to the e-mail address provided during registration or you can print the page immediately after registering.
 - Accept waiver of liability by checking the "I agree" box and enter your initials in the space provided.
- *****At this point, you can register someone else or you can continue to checkout*****

Note: Your insurance through USA Hockey is not valid if you are injured while participating in an event that is not USA Hockey sanctioned.

• REGISTRATION FEES: ALL DIVISIONS

- **Each PLAYER: \$35.00* (USA Hockey & Affiliate)**
- **Each COACH: \$35.00 (USA Hockey & Affiliate)**
- * IMR fees are waived for 6 and under age players.
- Note: For **Players & Coaches**, Youth or Adults, the \$35 (IMR fee) is paid only once and is good from September 1st through August 31 of the following year. (Good for the winter, spring, summer season.) Pay \$35 only once per season.

• POST SEASON REGISTRATION FEES: ALL DIVISIONS

- **Each PLAYER: \$00.00 (if they were registered for the regular season)**
- **New PLAYER: \$35.00* (or new Coach)**



MAHA DISTRICT #3

REGISTRATION PROCEDURES (cont.)

Background Screening: WHO MUST BE SCREENED

MAHA requires that **any adult** (18 years and older) that is associated with a youth team must submit a background check. Each Coach and Manager must complete the MAHA Background Check in order to get rostered.

Any locker room parents need to also complete the form, although this is not needed for rostering and these forms do not need to be turned into the Registrars or MAHA.

Go to MAHA.org and click on “Forms and Info.” Click on “Background Check.” Complete the form.

The Coaching Ethics portion must be completed on-line. No paper Coaching Ethics forms will be accepted.

Note the “YOUR position” area. It is imperative that you check the appropriate box. If you are a coach, you need to check a coach box so that you will be directed to the Coaching Ethics portion.

Your e-mail receipt will indicate whether you have completed the Background Check portion and the Coaching Ethics portion.

If you fail to check the YOUR position coach box and do not have both on your e-mail receipt, you will need to go back into the MAHA website and redo the certification. If the system does not allow you to go back and redo the certification, then you will need to contact the MAHA VP of Appeals to have your prior entry deleted and then you will need to recertify.

The general rule is that if a person has the occasion to interact with any youth member of a team, a Background Check Form must be completed. This includes Coaches, Managers, Team Helpers, Association Boards Members, MAHA Board Members, etc. who may be alone with players. Error on the side of caution. **PROTECT YOUR PLAYERS.**

Locker Room Monitoring Requirements

At least two responsible adults (MAHA Background Check form completed) must be present and directly monitoring the locker room during all team events to assure that only participants – coaches and players – approved team personnel, and family members are permitted in the locker room and to supervise the conduct in the locker room.

Any individual meetings with a minor participant and a coach in a locker room shall require a responsible adult be with the coach.

This is to protect:

The players from any non-team persons

The players from any inappropriate conduct from other players

The coaches from any allegations of inappropriate conduct

Cell phones are not allowed in any locker room.



M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3

TEAM CLASSIFICATIONS

M.A.H.A. DIVISION AGES - REQUIREMENTS

1. AGE CLASSIFICATIONS:

For **2011-2012 Regular Season:**

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	
Adult-eighteen (18) or older at date of registration & play		
Junior-twenty (20) or under as of December 31, 2008		
Youth-eighteen (18 or under)	1993 & 1994	Midget 17-18
Youth-sixteen (16 or under)	1995 & 1996	Midget 15-16
Youth-fourteen (14 or under)	1997	Bantam
Youth-thirteen (13 or under)	1998	Bantam
Youth-twelve (12 or under)	1999	Pee Wee
Youth-eleven (11 or under)	2000	Pee Wee
Youth-ten (10 or under)	2001	Squirt
Youth-nine (9 or under)	2002	Squirt
Youth-eight (8 or under)	2003	Mite
Youth-six (6 or under)	2005 & later	MiniMite
USA Hockey Initiation Program (any age)		
Women's – eighteen (18) and older		
Girls - nineteen (19) or under (born during or after 1992)		
Girls - sixteen (16) or under (born during or after 1995)		
Girls – fourteen (14) or under (born during or after 1997)		
Girls - twelve (12) or under (born during or after 1999)		
Girls - ten (10) or under (born during or after 2001)		
Girls – eight (8) or under (born during or after 2003)		

2. YOUTH DIVISION CLASSIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

"AAA" (Squirt thru Midget)	No limitation on out of district players.
"AA" (Mite thru Midget)	Maximum of three (3) out of district players.
"A" (Squirt thru Bantam "Travel")	Maximum of three (3) out of district players. No second year players (players in their last year of eligibility) allowed.
"A" (Midget 15/16 "Travel")	Maximum of three (3) out of district players. No (17& up) players allowed in this division classification
"BB" (17/18) and under "House"	Maximum of six (6) out of district players. No limit on the number of (17) year old players.
"B" (Mite thru Bantam House)	Maximum of three (3) out of district players. Governed by Sliding Scale shown below.
"B" (Midget 15/16 and under "House")	Maximum of six (6) out of district players. No (17 & up) players allowed in this division classification

Sliding Scale: (for "B" Divisions. Not required for Midgets)

# of players on team:	20 19 18 17 16 15 14 13 12 11 10
Maximum # of 2nd yr. players:	13 12 11 10 10 9 9 8 8 7 6

3. GAME COUNT LIMITATIONS:

"AAA", "AA", "A", JV/HS: (excl Mites)	(75) games per season (excluding USA National Championship).
MIDGET "B" & "BB":	(40) games maximum prior to February 1 (excluding District playoffs).
BANTAM, PEE WEE, SQUIRT "B":	(35) games maximum prior to February 1 (excluding District playoffs).
MITE: ('B' & 'AA' teams)	(40) games maximum per season. This total may include a maximum of four (4) tournaments. (Note: the entire Silverstick counts as one tournament.)
All GIRLS	(75) games per season (8 <u and lower = (40) games per season).



M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3

REQUIREMENTS FOR COACHING

NOTE: USA HOCKEY HAS CHANGED THE COACHING CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE 2011-2012 SEASON AND BEYOND. GO TO www.maha.org, coaching tab TO REVIEW THE NEW REQUIREMENTS.



**NEW COACHING REQUIREMENTS +
COACHING PROGRAM ENHANCEMENTS
USA HOCKEY/MICHIGAN AMATEUR HOCKEY
EFFECTIVE 2011-12 SEASON**



NEW COACHING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS – PROGRESSIVE

All Coaches must have current certification – Education Level and Age Specific
Education is progressive – maximum of one clinic per year/season, blend experience and training
Keyed to ADM – must have training focused on age group being coached
Level 1 and Level 2 expire after 1 year, Level 3 good for two years, Level 4 and 5 do not expire.
Except for Tier 1 and Tier 1 Bantam/Midget coaches – progression may take up to 9 years. (see over)
Tier 1 and Tier 2 Bantam/Midget coaches must take Level 4 in fourth season of coaching.

NEW COACHING EDUCATION WITH ADM – AGE SPECIFIC/ONLINE

Age-group-specific training modules developed for 8U, 10U, 12U, etc. (*Disabled component-2012*)
Age-group-specific training will be tracked along with CEP Level, but does not expire.
Delivered Online – for consistency and accuracy. Each is 5-7 hours of training.
Cost is minimal - \$10.00/each
Must be a member of USA Hockey to take online training.
All coaches, even Level 4 and Level 5, must complete Age Specific training.

Level 3 Renewal (online) Program refined to two separate programs, Renewal-1 and Renewal-2.
NO other programs qualify for Level 3 renewal (consistency)

CLINIC DELIVERY SYSTEM

Manuals and Clinic Content revised to align with ADM recommendations
Instructors trained to understand and deliver program consistently, nation-wide.
Fee Structure simplified – Level 1, Level 2, Level 3 are all \$40.00
Most clinic materials will be made available electronically (Manuals, etc.)

CREDENTIALING

New coaches credentials will only be Online at www.usahockey.com (No coaching cards)
Credentials Display will include Level(s) taken, expiration, and Age Specific module credits
Coaches will be responsible for checking accuracy, and providing evidence of level for tournaments.

The Michigan Coaching Education Program will make further recommendations on credentials as we move into the 2011-12 season. Associations, District Councils and MAHA Leadership will be kept updated as the online system is completed in September. Refer to MAHA web site for current information.



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REQUIREMENTS FOR COACHING (cont.)

- **WINTER SEASON**

- By December 31 of the current playing season, youth team coaches must hold Coaching Education Program (CEP) certification ratings as listed in the MAHA Annual Guide and on the MAHA web site: www.maha.org
- This season, coaches are required to have their required certification level and are also required to take an age specific module on line for the age group(s) that they are coaching.
- For a schedule of clinics and/or to register for a coaching clinic go to usahockey.com, coaches section.

- **PROOF OF COMPLIANCE**

- Compliance with the certification requirements must be shown at all games. This can be done by presenting your Coaching Certification as shown on your team roster or certificate of completion certificate.
- Prior to a review of team credentials in January, a new roster can be printed. This roster will show the level of CEP completion to date and the completed age specific module(s).

- **POST SEASON**

- Coaches must attain the level shown in the above scale by December 31 of the current playing season.

- **FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE RULE**

- If the coach/team personnel fails to obtain the appropriate USA Hockey/MAHA CEP certification level by December 31 of the current playing season, they shall be removed from that team roster and thus be unable to participate in any coaching activities with that team for the remainder of the season.

- **COACH'S RESPONSIBILITY**

- It is the responsibility of each coach to become familiar with the requirements for obtaining and maintaining the proper level of coaching certification by December 31st.

- **COACHES SIGNING GAME SCORESHEET**

Evidence of Level (applies to all team personnel on the bench during a game)

- a. Prior to the start of the game, all coaches (Head and Assistant) present, from each team, are required to sign the designated area of the scoresheet in order to verify the accuracy of the playing roster, as it appears on the scoresheet, for that game. In addition, all coaches (Head and Assistant) must include their USA Hockey Coaching Education Program (CEP) number, their CEP level (1-Initiation, 2-Associate, 3-Intermediate, 4-Advanced, 5-Master), and the year their CEP level was attained. The CEP level, and year attained shall be printed legibly next to the signature of each coach. The Scorekeeper shall be responsible to make sure both teams have filled in the CEP information and signed the scoresheet prior to the game. Failure of any of the bench personnel to cooperate can lead to a suspension by the appropriate District Council of not longer than 90 days.
- b. A team manager who is not registered as a coach may not participate in on ice activities or be on the bench during games.



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REQUIREMENTS FOR ASSOCIATIONS, CLUBS & INDEPENDENT TEAMS

MAHA Rule I B. Definition of an Association

1. To be an Association within MAHA, all Associations must receive approval and recognition from the affected District Council and MAHA Executive Board. An association must meet all the requirements of the MAHA Affiliate Agreement and execute the agreement with MAHA prior to their recognition as an association.
2. On an Annual basis, all Associations must resubmit their By-Laws to their respective District Chairperson by August 1st each year and receive approval by the District Council on any revisions. If the Association By-laws have not changed since the previous season, the Association need only submit an Affiliate Agreement completed and signed as well as a letter stating that their By Laws are the same as approved the previous season. This and a list of all Officers of the Association, including the Coaching Director, with names, addresses, phone number and e mail addresses would satisfy the requirements.
3. An Association must allow open registration to all geographic residents within the Association's local boundaries.
4. An Association must have a demographic large enough to support it.
The Association shall have:
 - a. An USA Hockey approved Skills Development Program with a minimum of 6 players the first year and a minimum of 15 players by the third year of existence and continue to support its existence to nurture the game of youth hockey.
 - b. A house program with a minimum of three drafted B teams. Only Association based B/BB teams are eligible for leagues, invitational tournaments, District and State Playoffs play.
 - c. An Association may also form teams in other MAHA age/division Classifications.
 - d. The Association must demonstrate to the District Council that the Association has sufficient ice contracted for each team / program that is age appropriate for its players.
5. All new associations will operate under a three-year probationary period. If prior to the end of the three-year period the association does not meet all the requirements and follow all MAHA rules and regulations their affiliation can be revoked.

MAHA Rule I B. Definition of a Club Team or Independent Team

A Club Team or Independent Team is a team in which its members are selected to participate and have no association affiliation. These teams are limited to participation only in an A, Tier 2 (AA), Tier 1 (AAA), Girls and high school classifications and must conform to the rules for their respective division / classification. JV Club or Varsity Club Teams must honor the geographic boundaries of selection of players to their respective school.

Club Teams or Independent Teams must:

1. Receive approval and recognition from the affected District Council and MAHA Executive Board. Each Team must meet all the requirements of the MAHA Affiliate Agreement and execute the agreement with MAHA prior to their recognition as a Club Team or Independent Team.
2. On an Annual basis, all Club or Independent Teams must re-submit their By-Laws to their respective District Council(s) by August 1st each year and receive approval by the District Council on any revisions. If the Club Teams or Independent Teams By-laws have not changed since the previous season, the Association need only submit an Affiliate Agreement completed and signed as well as a letter stating that their By Laws are the same as approved the previous season. This and a list of all Officers of the Association, including the Coaching Director, with names, addresses, phone number and e- mail addresses would satisfy the requirements.
3. A Club Team or Independent Team must have a demographic large enough to support it.
3. Have sufficient ice contracted and demonstrate that ice times are age appropriate for its players.
4. Be in compliance with all MAHA rules to be eligible for District and State playoffs.
5. All new Independents will operate under a three-year probationary period. If prior to the end of the three-year period the team does not meet all the requirements and follow all MAHA rules and regulations their affiliation can be revoked.



M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3

HOCKEY ASSOCIATIONS DRAFTS

- **ASSOCIATION 'B/BB' LEAGUE DRAFTS**

- Association 'B/BB' league drafts must comply with M.A.H.A. rules paragraphs VI, M, 4, 5 & 6.
 - Note that all players registered for the draft must be placed on a team.
 - Associations may end their pre-draft registration process when the number of registrants exceeds the limits of ice available. An Association waiting list can be created. However, no player from an Association "waiting list" can be placed on a team until all players in the draft pool of players have been drafted to a team.
 - **The main point of the draft is to insure balance among the 'B/BB' League recreation teams.** Selective choosing of which players will be on the list of registered players in the draft is not acceptable. Pre-Draft selection of which players will be on which team is not acceptable. Protecting more than the allowed (1) player per team is not acceptable.

- **DRAFT RULES SUBMISSION**

- All Associations must submit a copy of their draft rules to the District Chairperson by September 1st of each season (or a minimum of two weeks before the draft). The rules will be reviewed and approved or denied by the District Council.

- **CONDUCTING THE DRAFT**

- The District Chairperson is to be notified of the dates and times of all association drafts. This information is required a minimum of two weeks in advance of the draft.
- A member(s) of the District Council will be assigned to, and must be in attendance at, all drafts; this includes being in the room during selection of players.



M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3

DISTRICT / STATE PLAYOFFS

2011-2012 District #3 Playoffs: Jan. 30 - Feb. 12, 2012

- **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Teams will only be eligible for the division/classification for which the team is properly registered. (See Team Classification section)

- **REQUESTS FOR EXCEPTION**

- **Exception requests for teams, players or coaches must be submitted in writing to the District #3 Chairman by November 15th.** The District Council will act to recommend or deny the exception request. The request will be forwarded to the respective M.A.H.A. State Playoff Committee for their action at the December meeting of that committee. Response from that committee (approval or denial) is final. **No exception requests will be reviewed that are submitted past the deadline.**

- **ENTRY INTO DISTRICT #3 PLAYOFFS**

- Each Association and Independent (Non-Association) team must notify the District #3 Council in writing of their intent to enter the playoffs by **November 1st.**
- Entries will be accepted based on the following criteria:

YOUTH DIVISIONS:

- Each Association will be permitted to enter (1) team for each of the thirteen “house & travel” division classifications and one additional team for a division classification with (10) or more teams.
- Non-Association based teams collectively may enter only (1) representative team for each of the “travel” division classifications to the District 3 playoffs and one additional team for a division classification with (10) or more teams. A “play in” round will be conducted if necessary.

ADULT DIVISIONS:

- Each League within the District will be permitted entries based on the number of teams within the league.

- **DISTRICT DRAW**

- A position draw for the District #3 Youth Division Playoffs will be held at the last scheduled meeting in the month of December. (See meeting schedule.)
- **One representative from each Association Board and Independent Team must be present at the meeting. No representation, no draw.**

- **DISTRICT PLAYOFF CREDENTIALS REVIEW**

- A review of all paperwork required for the District playoffs will be conducted two weeks prior to the start of the playoffs. (See meeting schedule.)
- If it is determined at the credentials review that a player / coach has not sat a game misconduct(s), that person shall sit the next game of his/her team and the first game(s) of the District 3 playoffs.

- **GIRLS DUAL REGISTRATION EXCEPTION**

- If a girl registers and plays for a Youth Division team, she can apply to play two tournaments with a Girls team during the season. All of the rules as stated in the MAHA Annual Guide under paragraph II., O., 3. must be followed.

- **ADULT MEN'S DIVISION REQUIREMENTS**

- In the Adult Men's District Playoffs, a player may play on only one team entered in these playoffs. A player can be registered with and play for multiple teams for league play but must select only one of these teams to play for in the Districts.



M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

The following circumstances deal with the most common disciplinary actions that have come before our District # 3 Council in recent years. These are not inclusive and you should refer to Section XVI of the M.A.H.A. Annual Guide for the complete list.

- **PLAYERS, TEAM OFFICIALS, LEAGUES, OR OTHERS (EXCEPT REFEREES) : ALL DIVISIONS**
 1. **It is the responsibility of the Head Coach to review the game scoresheet, after signature by the game officials, for any game misconduct or match penalties. The Head Coach is responsible to take any necessary action based on the scoresheet review. (If the Head Coach is not at the game, the acting Head Coach is responsible.)**
 2. All Match penalties must be reported by the Head Coach (team staff member in his absence) as follows:
 - **The coach must report the penalty within (24) hours following the incident by phone to the District Council Chairperson in the District where the team is registered. If the District Chairperson is unavailable, it shall be reported to another District Council Director in the proper District.**
 - Violation of this rule may result in additional suspension of the offending player / team official.
 3. A player or team official receiving a Match Penalty is automatically suspended from **all** amateur hockey activities until a hearing is heard by the District Council.
 4. A coach or manager, upon the findings of the District Council, who knowingly allowed the participation of an ineligible player or coach in any game shall be automatically suspended for not less than one year.
 5. A player or coach, upon the findings of the District Council, who knowingly participated in a game as an ineligible player or coach, shall be suspended for not less than thirty (30) days.
 6. The head coach of a team participating in a unsanctioned tournament is subject to a suspension of one year.
 7. If, as the result of a hearing, the allegation of deliberate assault on a game official (referee, linesman, official scorekeepers, game timekeepers, penalty timekeepers, goal judges, statisticians, and public address announcers) is sustained , the player or team official shall be suspended for a minimum period of one (1) year, followed by probation for a period to be determined by the District Council. This is a mandatory USA Hockey rule.
 8. If a manager, coach or registered member of a team is put out of a game, he or she is automatically suspended for the next game(s) already on the teams' schedule.
 9. When a player is ejected for receiving a second major penalty in a game, he or she shall be suspended for the next two games.



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DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS (cont.)

10. The head coach (or acting head coach) of any team accumulating fifteen (15) or more penalties during the same game, will automatically be suspended for the next game his / her team plays. (USA HOCKEY - 404 misconduct penalties)
11. A player or coach who receives a game misconduct penalty will be suspended for one game. Upon receipt of a game misconduct, the player or coach must immediately proceed to the locker room and either: 1) remain in the locker room for the balance of the game, or 2) dress and leave the arena premises.
12. Any youth player who receives five (5) penalties during the same game, shall receive a game misconduct penalty. Any adult player who receives five (5) penalties during the same game, shall receive a game ejection penalty with no further penalties imposed. Suspension to be determined by the subsequent game misconduct rule - (USA HOCKEY - 404 misconduct penalties).
13. Conduct Detrimental to Hockey: Any other conduct that is not in the best interest of promoting the mission and purposes of amateur hockey, and that is brought to the attention of the District Council, will be investigated. A subsequent hearing, with potential suspension, will be conducted if warranted by the facts. (Reference M.A.H.A. Annual Guide: section XVII, suspensions.)

- **ADDITIONAL RULES: ADULT TEAMS & PLAYERS**

- If a player or team official receives a match penalty and the penalty is upheld at the District hearing, that player or team official will be assessed a “**Charity Fine**” as follows:
 - MATCH: \$60
 - This fine must be paid prior to again participating in a game.
 - The designated recipient of the fine will be the legitimate charity of choice of the offending party.
 - A money order, made out to the charity, is to be sent to the District #3 Chairperson. The fine payment will be recorded and the check forwarded to the charity.
 - If a player participates on more than one team, Game Misconducts are to be served with the team for which the player received the penalty.
 - If a player receives a Match penalty, he/she is suspended from all teams until a hearing is conducted. (See #1 through #13 above, which also apply to Adult players.)



M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3

TOURNAMENTS

• TOURNAMENT SANCTIONS

- All invitational and independent tournaments held in Michigan must secure a Sanction and Sanction Number from the M.A.H.A. President and USA Hockey Affiliate Registrar for Michigan before any tournament fees may be collected. To apply for a sanction, go to www.maha.org and complete the sanction form and pay the required fees.
- This may be accomplished by filing a copy of the rules and regulations for the event, along with the appropriate fee and tournament information with the USA Hockey Affiliate Registrar for Michigan. The tournament rules must comply with all USA Hockey Playing Rules and all MAHA Rules. No deviation from these rules is acceptable.
- If your team is planning to participate in a tournament, it is your responsibility to insure that the tournament has been sanctioned prior to playing your first game. Each tournament is to post a copy of the sanction at the tournament site headquarters.

• CONDUCTING TOURNAMENTS

- All tournament games must be scheduled following the requirements as specified with the MAHA Annual Guide, Section VIII. Highlights of these rules include:
- The number of games played by any player or team on one day shall not be more than two (2). There is no exception to this rule
 - Games shall be scheduled with a minimum of four (4) hours between the finish of the first game and the start of the second game.
 - Games shall be scheduled with a minimum of twelve (12) hours between games played on consecutive days.
 - No Youth Classification games may be scheduled to begin later than 10:30 pm or before 6:00 am.
- Tournament playing rules and tiebreaker rules are to be distributed to all entered teams prior to the start of the tournament.
- It is recommended that each tournament have an official knowledgeable in tiebreaker rules on site at the appropriate time. Tournament rules are not to be changed after start of play.
- Tournaments shall not request player birth certificates. The official sealed team roster shall be used to denote the players' birth dates.

• CANADIAN TOURNAMENT APPLICATION

- Any team planning to compete in Canadian Tournaments must complete the Canadian Tournament application form (for each tournament entered). Go to www.maha.org, complete the form and make payment of \$10.00 for each tournament.



M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3

DISTRICT #3 ELECTIONS

- **ELECTION OF DISTRICT DIRECTORS**

- Term of office for all Directors is three years.
- The next election will be conducted in February, 2014.
 - Written and/or verbal nominations will be accepted at the last scheduled District meeting in January, 2014 (see meeting schedule).
 - The MAHA Secretary will conduct the election.
 - A ballot will be mailed to the Head Coach of each registered team within the District. (one vote per team).
 - Votes are certified and the results published by the MAHA Secretary.
 - Newly elected Directors take office following the conclusion of the M.A.H.A. annual meeting in July.



M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3

SITUATIONS & COMMON QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

- *Do I have to become an expert in all of the rules in order to coach and/or play hockey?*
 - No, but you should read and become familiar with them. Ignorance of the rules is not an excuse for failure to abide by them. Every effort is made to distribute the rules to the staff of each team within the District. It is your responsibility to make the rules known to each of your players and staff.
 - MAHA and USA Hockey rules take precedence over league rules. Do not apply league rules to a MAHA/USA Hockey situation. If you have a MAHA question, call anyone on your District Council. If you have a league question call your league. The response “_____ from my league said that _____” is not an acceptable reason for not following the MAHA rules.
- *My player (or coach) received a Game Misconduct penalty. Does he/she have to sit out?*
 - M.A.H.A. rules state that the player (coach) sits out the next game of your team that is already on your schedule. You are not allowed to schedule an additional game after the penalty has been assessed and have the player sit that game. Many leagues specify that: if a player gets a game misconduct penalty in a league game, he/she sits the next league game. The player will get “double-dipped” if the team’s next game is not a league game. He/she sits the very next game for M.A.H.A. and the next league game for the league.
 - The same applies to District Playoffs. If a player receives a game misconduct in a District Playoff game, he / she will sit the next District playoff game, and, the first game after the game misconduct, if that game is not a District Playoff game.
 - Note that in the Adult Division, a player or coach receiving a game misconduct penalty(s) sits out with the team with which the penalty was incurred.
- *What happens at a disciplinary action hearing?*
 - If a player or coach receives a match penalty, a hearing is conducted to determine the length of the suspension; “zero to life”. (See Disciplinary Actions section.)
 - At the hearing both the suspended individual and the reporting referee testify as to the facts of the case. Additional personnel, who have direct relevant information to the incident may also attend and testify. A decision is made by the District Council, normally directly after the hearing conclusion.
 - If suspended, the player or team official has the right to appeal to the M.A.H.A. Appeals Committee. (See the M.A.H.A. and U.S.A. Hockey Annual Guides for procedures.)
 - All hearings are tape recorded so that the facts of the case can be reviewed by the M.A.H.A. / USA Appeals Committee, if necessary.
- *How can I get the M.A.H.A. rules changed?*
 - MAHA members may submit a rule change proposal in writing to the Chairperson of the M.A.H.A. Rules Committee. (See www.maha.org for the form.) Each proposed change must be submitted electronically to the MAHA Rules Committee Chairperson no later than Dec. 15th. The rules change proposal form is on www.maha.org. The MAHA Rules Committee will review each proposed change and make a recommendation to all of the M.A.H.A voting members at the M.A.H.A. Winter Meeting. If a proposed changes receives a majority of the votes cast at that meeting, it is sent forward for final approval / denial at the M.A.H.A. Summer Meeting in July.
- *When does the Regular Season end and Post Season begin?*
 - The regular season runs from September 1st through April 30th. Post season runs from April 1st through August 31. However, before April 30, you must obtain written permission from the regular season coach to approach the player for your post season team unless the player’s regular season team has disbanded prior to April 30.



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SITUATIONS & COMMON QUESTIONS & ANSWERS (continued)

- *Tampering With Rostered Players - What is legal / illegal?*
 - No coach, manager, or other team official, connected with a registered team may directly or indirectly entice, influence or contact a player registered on another registered team without the written approval of the coach or manager of that team. (Potential one year suspension.)
 - Reports of possible violation of this rule must be submitted in writing to the District Chairperson.
 - As post season nears, many teams desire to contact players on other teams to play for them during Post season. **Do not contact the player without first contacting the coach or manager. Get their permission in writing.**
 - A player's first obligation is to his / her regular season team; until that team disbands.
 - Ethically, it is wrong to have the player lose concentration on his winter team, typically during the team's league playoffs, because a spring league coach is trying to form a team. You want your players to complete their season with you; respect the interests and goals of other teams as well.
- *Who handles complaints about officiating?*
 - All complaints / compliments about officiating should be handled through the District #3 Referee-In-Chief. The best way is to put the facts (not emotions) in writing, with copies to the M.A.H.A. Referees Committee and the U.S.A. Hockey Referee-In-Chief for Michigan. Their e-mail addresses are in the M.A.H.A. Annual Guide.
- *How do I get awards patches for my players?*
 - Contact the Sub-Registrar for your Association. (Independents, contact the Registrar for your Club.)
- *How do I report an injury sustained by one of my players or team officials?*
 - **ALL TEAMS: PLAYER / COACH EXCESS MEDICAL or CATASTROPHIC INJURY:**
 - Immediately telephone these cases to:
Grant Helms (989) 631-4507 - USA Hockey Risk Mgr. for Mich.
 - Provide the following information when leaving a message:
 - Name of Injured Person; Age; Date & Time of Accident; Team Name
 - Name of Hospital & City where person was taken for treatment
 - Type & Extent of Injuries sustained
 - Name & Phone Number (both Home & Work) of person making the report
- *What is a USA Insurance covered event?*
 - A competition, game or event which is sponsored or sanctioned by USA Hockey and includes pre-competition activities and practice sessions which are authorized, organized, and supervised by the coach or other adult designated by the coach to supervise and coordinate such activities. "Father/Son games" are NOT sanctioned events.
 - M.A.H.A. & USA Hockey require that all teams schedule registered referees for all scrimmages and games. Games and scrimmages that do not have a registered referee are not sanctioned.
- *Who is an insured person?*
 - A registered player, coach or referee. The coverage also extends to volunteers of USA Hockey while acting within the scope of their responsibilities on behalf of USA Hockey.
- *Do we have insurance coverage for games played in Canada during the Post Season?*
 - No, there is no reciprocal agreement with Canada for Post Season play.



M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3

HIGHLIGHTS OF MAHA RULES CHANGES - July, 2011

MAHA RULE CHANGE HIGHLIGHTS:

(See MAHA Annual Guide or www.maha.org)

- Once the USA Hockey Associate Registrar approves a player's birth certificate as being valid, a symbol will be added to the Cybersport team roster. The birth certificate will no longer be required for any team credentials verifications.
- Girl's division classification names updated. (no change to the rules, just the division names.) Girl's teams will now be rostered as Tier 1, Tier 2 and Recreational.
- The MAHA Pilot Program for goalies in HOUSE divisions has now become a rule.
Goalies will be allowed to participate on more than one HOUSE team within an Association if:
 - At the draft, there are not enough goalies to draft one per team
 - Or, there is a serious injury to the only goalie on a team
 - Or, the only goalie on the team is lost to a high school teamRefer to the MAHA Annual Guide for specific requirements.
- All Youth players in the 8< & 6< classifications must participate in cross ice / half ice practices and games.
Exceptions for the 2011-2012 season only:
 - An 8< Mite AA team is allowed (if requirements are followed)
 - Full ice mite B teams are allowed (if requirements are followed)Refer to the MAHA Annual Guide for specific requirements.
- To be eligible for the State Playoffs, a team must play at least (20) games in its classification before the earliest of February 1st or before the regularly scheduled first game of Districts.



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HIGHLIGHTS OF MAHA RULES CHANGES - July, 2011

USA HOCKEY RULE CHANGE HIGHLIGHTS:

- USA HOCKEY COACHING CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE 2011-2012 SEASON AND BEYOND have been revised. This was noted last season and has been on the MAHA web site a year in advance. Refer to the MAHA Annual Guide or go to www.maha.org, coaching tab.
- Full Body Checking has been moved up to the Bantam age classification. Body contact has been moved back into Mites and Squirts.
- If a player removes his or his opponents helmet during an altercation, a Match Penalty is to be assessed. This applies to both Youth and Adult Divisions.
- Delayed "Tag Up" offsides is now legal for the Bantam and Midget divisions.
- Fighting: First fight is a game misconduct. Second fight for a player during the same season is a (3) game suspension. Third fighting penalty in the same season assessed to a player will be a match penalty. In all cases, the fighting will be "tallied by recording the fights by a player on his team. The "tally" starts over if the player is participating on a different team.

Team Travel Banners - Championship Banners

Team Vehicle Decals - Dasher Board Ads

Complete Arena Sign Packages



Real Estate Signs

Vinyl Graphics

Parking Lots

2011-2012 M.A.H.A. DISTRICT #3 COUNCIL

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