

Hockey Calgary

Operations Manual

Section:CommunitySub-Section:Registration

PLAYER ACCELERATION

Players must register within their proper category as described in *Rules and Regulations 1 – Ages for Competition*. Those players wishing to register for a category older than their age as of December 31 of the current playing season must meet the following criteria, as outlined in *Community 5 – Player Acceleration*.

Community 5 – Player Acceleration "Underage players must be ranked in the top half of the top team in the higher age category into which they are moving at the sole discretion of the resident Association. Underage players in Bantam and Midget must be ranked in the top half of the AAA team representing the quadrant in which he/she resides and is qualified to play. Deviation from this policy for purposes of completing rosters for teams where player numbers are restricted must be approved by Hockey Calgary. Player acceleration is not recommended. Four year olds playing in Timbits (Initiation) is permitted at the discretion of the Member Association".

Once a player has satisfied the requirement described above, he may register on the top team in the higher age category without further approval from Hockey Calgary.

If player acceleration is for the purpose of balancing rosters, a written request must be sent to Hockey Calgary providing the names of the players to be accelerated and the age category they are being accelerated to. Approval will only be granted to complete the roster of the bottom team in the higher age category. Acceleration of goaltenders will be considered to any team in a higher age category at the discretion of Hockey Calgary.

This policy applies to all levels of hockey in Calgary for the age categories of Atom through Junior. Player Acceleration from Timbits Flames to Novice is not permitted for any reason.