

Affiliation Usage Procedure ALL CATEGORIES

- Head Coach of higher-level **MUST** contact the Head Coach of the affiliate's regular team to obtain permission to use their player as an affiliate for all Practices and Games
 - The affiliate player is **NOT** to be contacted directly until permission is obtained from their Head Coach
 - In the event the Head Coach or Manager of the lower-level team cannot be reached, and the matter is time sensitive, the Association should be contacted.
- While the affiliates regular team's Head Coach must provide permission to the higher-level team, coaches **should** give permission in most cases unless there is a direct conflict with a scheduled activity with the affiliates regular team. Even in situations where there is a direct conflict, Hockey Calgary encourages coaches to give their players an opportunity to play at a higher level. In situations like this, coaches can then affiliate a player to replace their own player, giving 2 players an opportunity to play at a higher level.
- Hockey Calgary may suspend the use of affiliates should a team not comply with the above procedures.

Community/Female Specific Affiliation Rules

- Teams are permitted to use affiliation for any Exhibition, Tournament, League, or Playoff game sanctioned by Hockey Calgary and for any Provincial Championship game to return the team to their **original roster size**.
 - Example: A team has 14 skaters and two (2) goaltenders registered to their Official Team Roster for a maximum of 16 players. Should two (2) skaters be unavailable due to sickness or injury, the team would be permitted to use two (2) affiliates to bring their roster size back up to the original 14 skaters and two (2) goaltenders.
 - Exception: In the event a team's original roster size is less than twelve (12) registered skaters (excluding goaltenders), teams are permitted to use affiliation for any League, Playoff or Provincial Championship game to bring their roster up to a maximum of twelve (12) skaters (excluding goaltenders).
 - Exception: In the event a team's roster falls below twelve (12) registered skaters (excluding goaltenders) due to suspensions, teams are permitted to use affiliation to return their roster size to a maximum of twelve (12) skaters (excluding goaltenders)
- Affiliated players will NOT be permitted to replace suspended Players.
- Teams may affiliate a maximum of 4 players for any Hockey Calgary Seeding Round, League, or Playoff game. Permission from the requesting team's Age Category Governor is required to exceed the maximum.
- U13, U15, and U18 teams with only one (1) designated goaltender may exceed their roster size by one (1) in order to have a back-up goaltender listed on the official game report. The back-up goaltender must be an affiliated player and designated as a goaltender in the Hockey Canada Registry. This will not count towards the maximum of ten (10) games unless the affiliated player is called into action.
- Teams without a designated goaltender may exceed their roster size by one in order to have an affiliate goaltender. Teams cannot affiliate past their original roster size if a registered player to that team is playing as a goaltender
 - Ex. U11 teams with 15 skaters and 1 Hybrid Goalie are permitted to dress all 15 skaters and their Hybrid Goalie as a skater while still affiliating a goaltender. If the Hybrid Goalie is playing in the game as a goaltender, the team can only dress 15 skaters.

Elite (Co-ed and Female) Specific Affiliation Rules

- Affiliated players are permitted to replace suspended Players.

Maximums

- A player of a team of lower division or category may play a maximum of ten (10) games. If the player's registered team completes its regular season and playoffs before the player's affiliated team, the player may thereafter affiliate an unlimited number of times.
- An affiliated U9 player may play a maximum of five (5) games with their affiliated team in the current hockey season.
- Exhibition and Tournament games do not count in the total for the use of affiliates.