

## Waupun Hockey Association

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## Player move up request & Dual rostering Policy

Parents wishing to have their child move up a level must submit a letter to the WHA Executive Board of Directors prior to the first day of tryouts outlining the reasons for wanting their child to move up. The President and Hockey Director will discuss the request using the following criteria:

- Does a higher level team need player(s)?
- Does it make sense to the association based on the number of players?
- Does the higher level team coach want the additional player(s).
- Players should not be moved up unless it is necessary.

For 8U player move up request WHA will follow regulations below set by WAHA.

The USA Hockey American Development Model (ADM) supports small teams at the 10U Squirt Level. Under certain circumstances, associations may move players from 8U to 10U with the approval by regional directors and 8U section director.

- 1. Association needs skaters to fill a 14 player 10U roster to make a first, second or third team.
- 2. A need for goalie at 10U to be filled by an 8U goalie.
- 3. Other needs identified by association.
  - Per WAHA Eligibility and General Rules, 50% of players on an approved roster must be the age of the registered team. (WAHA Rules & Regulations, ARTICLE 1-REGISTRATION, ELIGIBILITY, GENERAL RULES, paragraph K)
  - NO 7 year old (i.e. two birth years under 10U) will be approved to play up to 10U.
  - Players moving up under category #1 must be placed on the lowest level team the association offers at the 10U level
  - For associations that wish to allow an exceptionally talented player to skate at the 10U level, the player must be ranked in the top 1/3 of the players on the top level team. Association must provide proof to region directors and 8U section director that the player did, in fact, rank in the top 1/3 of the skaters on the top team following team evaluation tryouts.
  - 8U Girls wanting to play on 10U Girls Team
  - WAHA Region Directors and 8U Section Director make all final approval decisions for ALL skaters playing up from 8U to 10U.
  - Players should not be moved up unless it is necessary.

## **Dual/Cross rostering**

WHA may dual/cross roster a player based on a need for numbers on a year by year basis to a higher level team. This will be decided by the board and players will be selected by coaches and approved by the hockey director. After the tryout process has been completed and players have been placed on their respective age level teams.



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Female players may dual/cross roster to a girls only team. However, WHA will remain as their primary team and they will not be permitted to miss the primary teams practices or games to attend events of the second team you are rostered with.

**Note:** The opinion of a lower level coach has no weight outside of his/her team players, as the player does not belong to a coach. Additionally, numbers are important at a higher level because of increased injuries and potential duration of a player being out.