



Affiliated Players (AP) Local League and Travel

WNMHA fully supports the proper use of AP Movement to maximize development opportunities for players and to help ensure that an adequate number of players are available for all teams. To AP is a privilege and this privilege can be revoked by the WNMHA or the AP's coach. AP's must participate in their primary team activities which includes games and practices before any affiliated team activities. This can be easily verified by coaches and should this rule not be followed the AP privileges will be revoked. The AP's base category team to which the AP is rostered must always be their number one priority. Should both coaches agree there are times an AP may miss a practice to attend a game. Communication between coaches is always key to the success of the AP program. Teams should only roster AP's who they are prepared to use in games and such players should be regularly invited to practice and play from time to time with the team to which they are rostered as AP's. As a courtesy, the Head Coach requesting the use of an affiliated player, should inform the player's regular coach prior to every game that an AP is required.

Travel Teams:

OMHA Affiliation Rules will be followed by all travel teams. Communication between coaches will only lead to success of the program.

Local League Teams:

The Alternate Player (AP) program is for development and to supplement your roster when regular team members are going to be absent. When using an AP they must be identified on the game sheet as an AP. This can be set up once you add the player to your team on the game sheet and will save automatically for every game after. AP players are only to be used when a team has less than 10 skaters for a game. Ideally you should be substituting the missing player with a like skilled player not just bringing up stronger players to "stack" your team. WNMHA understands that many times it is a last-minute decision with player availability however in the spirit of fair play we must use the AP system for what it's meant for which is development of players that show the ability to compete at a higher level and to supplement player absence. A player can only be AP'd to one team and can only be used once the paperwork is completed which can be found on the WNMHA website.

MD players are only eligible to AP to travel teams.

If the AP's current pathway dictates ice restrictions (half ice ect) then that AP must abide by those restrictions when AP'ing to an older age group which in some cases may mean waiting until certain dates to participate in full ice game.