

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Minor Hockey Associations

FROM: Leigh Ann Ryder, Acting Chair Minor Council Executive Committee, Hockey NL

Tracey Hatcher, Chair, Female Council Executive Committee, Hockey NL

Cc: Hockey NL Minor Council Executive Committee

Hockey NL Female Council Executive Committee

DATE: February 13, 2024

RE: PROVINCIAL TOURNAMENT FEES 2023-2024

Host sites for Provincial Tournaments are determined by the Grading Committee based on factors including availability of ice time, accommodations, officials and the volunteers required, etc. We realize that different associations face different challenges when hosting a Provincial Tournament and continue to work to make the process as equitable and fair as possible for all associations.

We recognize that we need host associations, and we appreciate that it is a big undertaking to agree to host at any level. We also communicate to associations that hosting a Provincial Tournament is not intended to be a fundraiser. Instead, ice time rental and the cost of officials would be the expected revenue from team registration. Obviously, associations can organize internal fundraising during the tournament, which would be over and above this revenue.

One of the most significant areas of discrepancy is that of the cost of ice time and this is becoming a huge factor in associations' ability to host without incurring financial loss. Another additional cost for some associations results from the change in practice that will now require all Minor U18 tournaments to use a 4-person official system, meaning that all Minor U18 hosts will incur an additional cost. To ensure that all host sites can pay for ice time rental and the cost of officials, we are moving to a \$900.00 fee for ALL Provincial Tournaments in all divisions. Reimbursement to associations will reflect costs incurred to hosts and will be issued upon completion of Provincials.

Thank you for your continued support of Provincial Tournaments.

Yours in Hockey,

Leigh-Ann Ryder Acting Chair, Minor Council Executive Committee

Leigh-Ann Ryder

Tracey Hatcher Chair, Female Council Executive Committee