



IMPORTANT MEMORANDUM

TO: All Minor Hockey Associations

FROM: Arnold Kelly, Minor Council Chair, Hockey NL

INFO: Minor Council Executive
Craig Tulk, Executive Director, Hockey NL

DATE: November 6, 2013

RE: **Novice Hockey**

The following is a reminder to all Minor Hockey Associations that when it comes to Novice hockey, there shall be no select teams until after Christmas for end of year tournaments. The emphasis for this age group is on skill development not games.

All tournaments are to be jamboree style, not select during the year, and only minimal tournaments are to be attended. It is not the intent of the branch to be sanctioning novice tournaments every weekend that have kids travelling at this age.

Again, all Minor Hockey Associations should monitor their Novice programs and ensure they are following these guidelines. If this becomes an issue we will not sanction the tournaments.

Stay home, learn the skills and play occasionally.

Yours in Hockey,

Arnold Kelly
Minor Council Chair,
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