



JUNIOR A & JUNIOR B DEVELOPMENT FEE POLICY

1.00 Policy and Term

The policy is effective June 1 and is to be reviewed annually. The Junior A and Junior B Development Policy pertains to BC Hockey Junior Teams.

2.00 Development Fees

2.01 Development Fee Schedule

There shall be no fee payable for releases from Minor Hockey. The following development fee schedule will apply to all releases from Junior B to Junior A:

Date of Release	Fee
Up to midnight of the day prior to Junior A league start (See NOTE 1)	\$300
Day of Junior A league start to midnight October 21	\$400
October 22 to midnight December 1	\$750
December 2 to midnight December 31 (See NOTE 2)	\$1000
January 1 to midnight January 10 (See NOTE 2)	\$1500

NOTE 1: Applies only to players registered with the Junior B team at January 10 of previous season

NOTE 2: A player released to Junior A during these dates will result in the return of a card to the Junior B team releasing the player

NOTE 3: No fee will be paid for a player who has been released to Junior A in the current season and who subsequently returns to Junior B prior to midnight October 10.

2.02 Maximum Number of Releases per Team - Development Fee Schedule

No Junior B team shall be required to release more than two (2) players to BC Hockey Junior A teams in accordance with the fees set out in the Development Fee Schedule, after September 15:

- a) This limit applies only to players signed with the Junior B team for the current season as of September 15 or thereafter.
- b) A Junior B team, having released two (2) players after September 15 in accordance with section 2.02 a) of this policy, shall be entitled to a release fee of \$500 over and above the amount set out in the Development Fee Schedule for any subsequent player release through the balance of the season.





3.00 Player Release Process

3.01 Contact with Players: There shall be no contact with players signed to Junior B teams in the current season without the written permission of the Junior B team to which the player is signed

3.02 Signing of Players: Junior A teams will notify Junior B teams of their intent to sign a player via the HCR. Upon notification, the appropriate release fee will be due automatically as set out in the table above, and will be invoiced through the BC Hockey office. Payments to Junior B teams will be disbursed on the 30th of each month, August to January inclusive.

4.00 Player Return to Junior B

The following will apply to players released from a Junior B team to a Junior A team under this policy, who subsequently return to Junior B:

4.01 Return to Previous Junior B Team: Players so released from a British Columbia Hockey League (BCHL), Canadian Junior Hockey League (CJHL) or Canadian Hockey League (CHL) team shall return to the BC Hockey Junior B team with which the player last registered and played. This stipulation shall remain in place from the time of the player's release from the higher category team for a period not to exceed seven (7) days.

- a) During this seven (7) day period, NO other Junior B team is to have contact with the player.
- b) After this seven (7) day period has expired, a player who has not agreed to report to his former Junior B team may register with any Junior B team. Should that player register with another team, c) would apply.
- c) A team registering a player resulting from section b) of this provision will result in an automatic release fee of \$10,000 or a mutually agreed upon amount between the teams or amount determined reasonable by the league commissioner/president. The amount is to be administered under the parameters of this policy payable by the new registering Junior B team to the previous Junior B team that player last registered and played with.

4.02 Development Fees – Players Returning to Junior B: A player who has been released to Junior A with an appropriate development fee paid and who returns to Junior B after October 10 of the current season shall not require the payment of a development fee by the Junior B team.

4.03 Maximum Development Fee per Player: Players released multiple times from Junior B to Junior A under this policy will be subject to the following:

- a) Fees previously paid by a Junior A team in accordance with section 2.00 of this policy will be deducted from the current fee owing for the player (Note:





previously paid fees include all fees paid for the player by any other BC Hockey Junior A team)

- b) The maximum amount of fees paid by one or more Junior A team(s) for any one player over the course of that player's career shall not total more than \$1,500.
- c) No further development fee will be paid under this agreement for any player upon that player's participation in 30 games with a BC Hockey Junior A team(s).

5.00 Suspensions

Players under suspension by BC Hockey at the time of their release from a Junior B team to a Junior A team must serve the suspension with the Junior A team.

6.00 Dispute Resolution Process

The BC Hockey Chair of the Board shall deal with any dispute or appeal stemming from any part of this Agreement, with input from the BC Hockey Branch Junior Coordinator.

