

Amateur Hockey Association of Mt. Pleasant
Rules and Regulations
(Effective: September 2017)

I. Amateur Hockey Association of Mt. Pleasant (AHAMP)

A. AHAMP Affiliations

1. Amateur Hockey Association of the United States (USA Hockey)
2. Michigan Amateur Hockey Association (MAHA)

B. AHAMP Divisional Structure

The AHAMP Board of Directors shall determine the number of teams to be offered and each team's classification according to USA Hockey and MAHA.

1. AHAMP House - house teams are differentiated by age group divisions. House Division groups include: 8U (Mites), 10U (Squirts), 12U (Peewees), 14U (Bantams) and 18U (Midgets). All AHAMP House teams are subject to applicable MAHA and USA Hockey regulations.
2. House B Division - the B Division provides instruction related to the basic skills and rules of hockey through an organized schedule of practices and games at the all levels. Considerable emphasis is placed on good physical conditioning, the importance of team work, discipline, personal sacrifice, and a healthy respect for teammates, opponents, coaches and referees, although all players will be given the opportunity to play. Players shall share in equal playing time.
3. Travel Division - conventional travel teams are classified as either "A" or "AA".
 - a. "A" level teams are subject to player experience restrictions and age requirements.
 - b. "AA" level teams are not subject to player experience restrictions.
 - c. All AHAMP teams are subject to applicable MAHA and USA Hockey regulations.
 - d. AHAMP currently has no travel teams.
4. AHAMP Team Size –the AHAMP Board of Directors shall set minimum and maximum team sizes for each division, annually.
 - a. Minimum team sizes will be determined by financial parameters identified in the projected annual AHAMP operating budget.
 - b. A maximum team size of 20 players (including goaltenders) applies to all teams in all AHAMP divisions.
5. Travel Division – travel teams are composed of competitive players capable of representing AHAMP in statewide competition. Playing on a Travel Division team is a privilege, not a right. This privilege must be earned through physical and mental preparation. Readiness must be demonstrated during a tryout session. Although all travel team players will

be given the opportunity to play, game situations may dictate variable playing times among players.

C. AHAMP Divisional Orientation

AHAMP divisions are not independent units. Although specific rules may vary between divisions, all AHAMP divisions must comply with the rules and regulations established by the AHAMP Board of Directors. Every attempt will be made to ensure AHAMP rules and regulations are consistent with those of USA Hockey and MAHA.

D. AHAMP Divisional Organization

1. Division Representative – each AHAMP division may have a group coordinator, or group coordinators, recommended by the Registrar and ACE Coaches Coordinator and approved by the AHAMP Board of Directors. A Division Representative is responsible for implementation and adherence to the policies, rules and regulations as determined by the AHAMP Board of Directors. Division Representatives will only be used if a division has more than one team. At this time, no Division Representatives are required.
2. Head Coach – every AHAMP-sponsored team will have a head coach. A head coach will be recommended by the ACE Coaches Coordinator and approved by the AHAMP Board of Directors. A head coach is primarily responsible for team operations. The supervision of practice sessions, skill development, scheduling, competitive situations and rules compliance fall within the purview of the head coach. In addition, a head coach is responsible for implementation and adherence to the policies, rules and regulations as determined by the AHAMP Board of Directors.
3. Assistant Coach – an assistant coach is recommended by the head coach and approved by the ACE Coaches Coordinator. An assistant coach is expected to be supportive and responsible to the head coach. In addition, an assistant coach is responsible for implementation and adherence to the policies, rules and regulations as determined by the AHAMP Board of Directors.
4. Team Manager - each AHAMP-sponsored team shall have a team manager recommended by the head coach or division rep and approved by the ACE Coaches Coordinator. A team manager is responsible for implementation and adherence to the policies, rules and regulations as determined by the AHAMP Board of Directors.

II. AHAMP POSITION DESCRIPTIONS

DIVISION DIRECTORS:

A. Team Manager

A team manager's duties shall include, but not be limited to the following:

1. 8U through 14U division reps are members of the tournament committee and must assist with their home tournament.
2. Act as liaison between division coaches, parents and Board of Directors and attend regular scheduled Board Meetings for the purpose of reporting information pertaining to their division. If the team manager is not able to attend monthly Board Meetings, they must appoint someone from their team to attend in their place. Every team must have representation at every meeting.
 - a. If the team manager is a member of the board, they must assign a different team parent to attend to represent the team
 - b. The required board meetings are those falling in the months of September, October, November, December, January, and February.
 - c. The first time a team does not have a representative; they will receive a verbal warning.
 - d. For every meeting attended, the team will have \$100 allocated to their team account in AHAMP to be used towards tournament or ice expenses.
3. To perform other duties as assigned by the ACE Coaches Coordinator, AHAMP President, or the AHAMP Board of Directors.

B. Head Coach

1. The appointment or removal of an AHAMP head coach is subject to ACE Coaches Coordinator and AHAMP Board of Director approval.
2. When possible, a head coach will be awarded the team of his/her choice. In the event of multiple applications for the same position, the ACE Coaches Coordinator shall consider the following un-weighted factors in determining a recommendation to the AHAMP Board of directors:
 - a. Seniority as a AHAMP Head Coach
 - b. Previous coaching performance in AHAMP
 - c. Experience as a coach in the age level under consideration
 - d. Experience as a coach at other age levels
 - e. Attendance at coaching clinics
 - f. Hockey knowledge
 - g. Level of Coaching Certification
 - h. Completion of Age Specific Module
3. The coach, if an AHAMP hockey parent, generally is assigned to the age level and team of his/her child. A coach has the option of having his/her child on the team he/she coaches.
4. All head coaches must be at least 21 years of age.
5. All head coaches are expected to be competent in skating, teaching techniques, competitive strategies, and hockey skills and possess the ability to communicate with parents, players and administrators.
6. All head coaches must complete the Coaching Education Program Online Age-Specific Requirements. This must be completed PRIOR to participating in any team activities and coaches cannot be added to a roster until completed.

- a. Complete the online age-specific module(s) for the age level of play you are coaching.
 - b. USA Hockey Requirements (Must be completed before participating in any team activities)
 - i. Register as a member of USA Hockey
 - ii. Complete the background screening Complete the USA Hockey Safe Sport Training (required every two years and cannot be added to a roster until completed).
 - c. Coaching Education Program Certification Clinic Requirements (Must be completed by Dec. 31)
 - i. Find, register and attend the required certification clinic. You can only attend one clinic per season and all coaches start at Level 1.
 - ii. NOTE: If a coach ends up on rostered team, AHAMP will reimburse certification fees up to \$200.00.
7. A head coach is responsible for adhering to all rules and regulations of AHAMP, MAHA, USA Hockey and all relevant affiliate organizations that apply to a divisional appointment. Rules compliance is an important responsibility for a head coach.
 8. All head coaches are to perform other duties as assigned by the AHAMP President, or the AHAMP Board of Directors.

C. Assistant Coach

1. The appointment or removal of an AHAMP assistant coach is subject to ACE Coaches Coordinator and Head Coach approval.
2. A head coach may exercise his/her discretion when recommending an assistant coach, however previous coaching experience, competency, and maturity and communication skills should receive consideration.
3. It is recommended that assistant coaches be over 18 years of age.
4. An assistant coach is responsible for adhering to all rules and regulations of AHAMP, MAHA, USA Hockey and all relevant affiliate organizations that apply to a divisional appointment. Rules compliance is an important responsibility for an assistant coach.
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6. To perform other duties as assigned by the ACE Coaches Coordinator or Head Coach.

D. Team Manager

1. The appointment or removal of an AHAMP team manager is subject to the Head Coach and the ACE Coaches Coordinator's approval.
2. A team manager must be over 18 years of age and be a responsible individual. The team manager will be responsible for locker room security, information dissemination, coordination of team activities, game and facility management, fund raising projects, and a variety of other assignments. In the case of multiple volunteers for a team manager assignment, previous AHAMP team manager experience, reliability, competency, maturity and communication skills will receive consideration.
3. A team manager is responsible for adhering to all rules and regulations of AHAMP, MAHA, and USA Hockey and all relevant affiliate organizations that apply to a divisional appointment.
4. All team managers must complete the SafeSport Training prior to taking the position and pass a background check.
5. To perform other duties as assigned by the Head Coach, ACE Coaches Coordinator, AHAMP President, or the AHAMP Board of Directors.

III. PLAYER EVALUATIONS – HOUSE DIVISION

A. Player Evaluations – House B Division

To ensure a fair and equal distribution of talent within the AHAMP House B Division, the following guidelines will be followed:

1. All players will be evaluated in a standardized testing program conducted by the divisional head coaches, division rep and ACE Coaches Coordinator. Each player will be given a score on selected criteria. Scores will range from a low of 1 point through to a high score of 4 points.
2. Players shall be classified into four groups based upon age and hockey playing experience as follows:
 - a. Second year age player with playing experience.
 - b. First year age player with playing experience.
 - c. Second year age player without previous experience.
 - d. First year age player without previous experience.
3. The House B Head Coaches will meet with the ACE Coaches Coordinator and team coaches at a predetermined time and place for the purpose of drafting divisional teams. The ACE Coaches Coordinator shall set the meeting and be responsible for applying all relevant drafting guidelines.

4. Draft Procedures:
 - a. The Draft is of the OPEN TYPE.
 - b. The ACE Coaches Coordinator shall determine the order of selection for the draft through a drawing of lots by the head coaches.
 - c. After each round the order for the next round will change.
 - d. Goalie Draft is decided before Regular Draft.
- B. Draft Procedure Exceptions – House B Division
 1. A divisional head coach may protect one player in the same division in which he/she will coach.
 2. For transportation reasons or regarding Siblings: The skaters will be placed on the same team when a written request is submitted by the family a minimum of two weeks before the draft. These requests may or may not be honored based on the Association's draft rules, but all requests must be administered on a consistent basis.
 3. In the event of a request for Siblings to be placed on the same team: Siblings will be ranked with all skaters before draft begins. The coach that is first to pick a sibling in the Draft will automatically have all other siblings placed on their team. The remaining coach(s) will get the first pick(s) at the subsequent sibling's skill level(s). Ride share skaters will be treated as siblings for ranking and draft purposes.

IV. PLAYER TRYOUTS AND SELECTION– TRAVEL DIVISION

- A. Player Tryouts – Travel Division
 1. The AHAMP Board of Directors may establish travel teams 8U through 18U divisions, with “A” or “AA” classification subject to the following stipulations:
 - a. There must be at least 12 AHAMP players qualified and interested in the travel team.
 - b. There must be a sponsor for each travel team.
 2. The AHAMP travel division program is designed for players who are highly skilled hockey players and desire the challenge of a competitive program. Players will be selected on the basis of ability, potential and personal attributes based on performance history and an annual tryout procedure.
 3. AHAMP Travel Team Player rosters shall consist primarily from players from the local area.
 4. Travel Team Rosters
 - a. Any coach submitting a roster to the AHAMP Travel Director shall ensure that the roster is in compliance with the rules and regulations of AHAMP and its affiliate organizations. Rosters that are found to be in non-compliance shall be rejected.
 - b. Rejection will result in the team being restructured under the supervision of the AHAMP House Commissioner and Registrar.
- B. Player Registration/Tryouts – Travel Division – Division “AA”

1. Players must register at the first tryout session. This registration process shall consist of completing standard AHAMP and USA Hockey player registration forms and providing payment of a tryout fee.
2. Open tryouts for each travel team shall be announced in advance and conducted according to an approved procedure. No player shall be eliminated until he/she has participated in at least one tryout session.
3. Any player not selected by an "AA" coach during the "AA" tryout process may try out for a non-AHAMP "A" team.
4. An "AA" team coach may select any player trying out including first year players, but shall give preference to a second-year player when first and second year players are of comparable ability.
5. All travel team head coaches are required to develop and maintain a confidential evaluation record for all participants in a tryout session.

V. GENERAL AHAMP RULES

A. Ice Time Allocations

1. The AHAMP Ice Scheduler makes all team ice time assignments.
 - a. All teams are allocated a designated number of ice hours based on team size and ice availability.
 - b. All B Division teams should average one practice session and one game per week.
2. The breakdown of practice ice time and games is as follows:
 - a. 8U
 - i. Practices
 1. 40 practices on half ice or 20 practice hours
 - ii. Games
 1. No minimum is guaranteed.
 - b. 10U
 - i. Practices
 1. 40 practices on half ice or 20 practice hours
 - ii. Games
 1. 12 home league games and 12 non-league games
 - c. 12U
 - i. Practices
 1. 40 practices on half ice or 20 practice hours
 - ii. Games
 1. 12 home league games and 12 non-league games
 - d. 14U
 - i. Practices
 1. 40 practices including one full sheet practice per week or 28 hours of practice ice
 - ii. Games
 1. 12 home league games and 12 non-league games
 - e. 18U
 - i. Practices

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 - ii. Games
 1. 12 home league games and 12 non-league games
 3. If additional ice time is required for postseason (regional and/or national or league) playoffs and associated practices, AHAMP will provide ice time to the appropriate team at no cost to the team.
- B. Travel teams
1. Allocated ice time for practices and games as appropriate.
 2. Any additional ice time, for any reason, will be charged to the appropriate team(s) at cost.
 1. Coaches requesting additional ice time(s) should contact the appropriate AHAMP Ice Scheduler
- C. All AHAMP coaches are expected to observe divisional schedules.
1. If, for any reason, a team is late in starting a game or practice session, they are responsible for ensuring that they finish on time. This ice time courtesy rule applies to all divisions and all teams.
 2. NOTE: The ***I.C.E.*** arena is a CURFEW RINK.
- D. Special Ice Time Rules
1. Special ice time rules will govern games involving overtime periods, such as Playoff Games and Championship Games.
- E. Player Financial Obligations
1. All players must have completed their financial obligations to AHAMP prior to **DECEMBER 20TH**. This date applies only to members on monthly payments. If one yearly payment is made, the payment must be received in full prior to the first practice of the season. If monthly payments are requested, they must be setup and paid online.
 2. Players/parents may arrange for a special payment schedule through written request to the Registrar. The Registrar must approve all special requests by October 1st. No other member of the AHAMP Board of Directors/Executive Committee is authorized to initiate or authorize a special arrangement.
 3. Any player not completing his/her financial obligation by the deadline will not be permitted to continue with the program until all outstanding fees are paid. In the event that any player has outstanding balance at the end of a season, that amount and the fees for next, upcoming season must be paid in full prior to the player being able to again register with AHAMP.
 4. AHAMP will charge a \$25.00 fee for any Non-Sufficient Funds check.
 5. Fees are not transferable or refundable. Special circumstances may apply with Board approval once the Registrar has received a written request from the parents/guardians.

VI. PLAYING RULES AND REGULATIONS

A. Affiliate Rules

1. The Amateur Hockey Association of America (USA Hockey) Rules shall prevail, except as modified herein.
2. AHAMP teams shall be registered with the Michigan Amateur Hockey Association (MAHA) and shall abide by all MAHA rules.
3. AHAMP Travel Division teams shall also abide by all league rules in which the travel team is registered.

B. AHAMP Playing Rules

The rules defined in the following articles are in addition to those defined by USA Hockey, MAHA, and any other affiliated hockey leagues.

1. Timeout Rule
 - a. There will be no timeouts permitted in AHAMP House B or travel division games at CURFEW RINKS. The USA Hockey rule allowing for a one-minute timeout will not be allowed.
2. Equal Playing Time Rule – House
 - a. All players listed to play similar positions during a house game, barring injury, shall be given approximately an equal amount of playing time in all league games. Discrimination based upon a player's ability is prohibited.
 - b. No AHAMP House Division player shall skate two (2) consecutive shifts unless a team has less than ten skaters available at a specific time during a game.
 - c. No player shall remain on the bench in excess of two (2) consecutive shifts unless a team has more than fifteen skaters available during a specific game. A shift shall be defined as any change of skaters.
3. Time of Periods – HOUSE and TRAVEL
 - a. There shall be a timed three (3) minute warm up prior to the start of each AHAMP game. Time shall commence at the start of the official scheduled ice time.
 - b. House and Travel games shall follow the league rules. Games are limited by the amount of time allotted on the curfew clock.
 - c. If it appears that the last period of a game will exceed the allotted game ice time, the last period will be conducted with running time (not stop time).
 - d. If a game ends prior to its allotted ice time, the teams may remain on the ice and use the remaining time for a practice session.

C. Division Guidelines

1. 8U Level Guidelines
 - a. 8U players will have a concentrated program of skill development; principally involving skating instruction and hockey fundamentals. Game play will be limited.
 - b. The scoreboard clock shall be set with 2 minutes on the clock and allowed to expire automatically. The horn will sound indicating a line change regardless of game condition. Each game shall consist of as many 2-minute shifts as time allows. The clock will be stopped with any stoppage of play.

- c. Any player who wishes to play goalie will have the option experience the position in either practice or a game. It is highly recommended that all players be put into the goalie position at least once a season.
- 2. Learn to Play Guidelines
 - a. The fees for Learn to Play will be reviewed and adjusted annually.
 - b. AHAMP shall provide all necessary equipment for this division. This equipment shall be signed out by parents and will be returned or a \$50 fee will be assessed to the family and they will not be allowed to sign up for another session without payment or return of equipment.
 - c. This division shall have an age cap of 10 years old. Players who are older will need to join a house team to continue playing.
 - d. Players who have completed 4 sessions of Learn to Play shall be highly encouraged to move to the 8U or appropriate age level.

VII. PLAYER REQUEST FOR AGE GROUP TRANSFER

- A. Age Group Transfer Requests Procedure:
 - 1. Any player who desires to play in a division above his/her appropriate age division shall file a written request, signed by a parent or guardian, with the AHAMP President. The request should contain a rational for the requested transfer.
 - 2. Transfer requests must be filed prior to the player draft in any division before drafts begin.
- B. Transfer Procedures
 - 1. The President and ACE Coaches Coordinator shall poll a player's previous Coach to determine whether or not the player possesses skills of such a preponderance nature to match the requested age division transfer.
 - a. The player must demonstrate skills in which place him/her in the top one-half of the division in which he/she will move into.
 - b. There must be a need for the additional player in the upper level.
 - c. The division in which the player is leaving cannot be affected by his/her leaving that division.
 - 2. Even if a player meets all the criteria, it **does not** guarantee that a player will be allowed by the AHAMP Board to play up.
- C. Move up requests must be received to the AHAMP Board by September 30th for consideration. After reviewing the recommendation of the President and ACE Coaches Coordinator, the Board will vote on if the player is allowed to move up.

VIII. AHAMP RULES OF CONDUCT

- A. Sportsmanship Behavior

1. Good sportsmanship behavior is required of all AHAMP players, coaches, parents, and spectators. All AHAMP, MAHA, and USA Hockey rules (except those specifically modified) will be strictly enforced.
2. An AHAMP coach is responsible for team conduct, safety, and well-being. Parents and players are responsible for obeying all applicable rules and policies.

B. Code of Conduct

1. An AHAMP coach, manager or player who fails to conduct him/herself properly on or off the ice may be issued minor, misconduct, game misconduct, or match penalties from game official. The AHAMP Disciplinary Committee including probation or suspension may also levy further sanctions.
 - a. Examples of improper conduct:
 - i. Threatening or derogatory remarks
 - ii. Abusive or obscene gestures or actions
 - iii. Failure to proceed directly to the penalty box (when issued a penalty)
 - iv. Failure of the coach to keep his/her players under control
 - b. Improper conduct by parents or spectators may result in a request to vacate the ice arena.
2. Coaches, assistant coaches, managers, players, and parents are not permitted to smoke or chew tobacco on the bench, on the ice, or in the locker room before, during or after practice sessions or games. Ice arenas are designated non-smoking areas. This policy is to be strictly observed.
3. Drinking of intoxicants or the consumption of illegal substances by a player, coach, or manager while engaged in an AHAMP-sponsored practice or game will result in serious disciplinary action.
4. When the ice is being resurfaced between skating sessions, no coach, manager or player shall step on the ice until after the resurfacing machine has left the ice surface and the door to the machine storage area has been closed.
5. Players are not allowed on the ice until the doors are closed properly and a coach or official is present on the ice.
6. These rules apply to both games and practices.

C. Additional Team Rules

1. A coach may establish additional (more stringent) rules upon agreement of the AHAMP ACE Coaches Coordinator and/or the Board of Directors. It is the coach's responsibility to inform players of all approved rules. These rules **MUST** be submitted for review before they are presented to the team.
2. A coach may suspend a player for inappropriate behavior.
 - a. The AHAMP Board may agree with the coach's actions and support the decision, take additional action or mediate a solution to the problem.

3. Any player/parent concerns with coaches' actions may be addressed in writing by using the Code of Conduct Violation Report to the ACE Coaches Coordinator and, if necessary, the AHAMP Board.

D. Serious Injury Procedures

1. In the event of a serious injury, a player returning to his/her team must present a physician's release prior to being allowed to practice or compete. An example of a serious injury shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - a. Head injury: fractures, concussions
 - b. Orthopedic injuries: fractures, sprains
 - c. Lacerations
 - d. Any injury or illness requiring a physician's care
2. This rule applies to all AHAMP players regardless of how or where the injury occurred.

IX. MANDATORY EQUIPMENT

A. Mandatory Equipment

1. AHAMP coaches and team managers are responsible for ensuring all players wear all mandatory hockey equipment. A bench minor maybe assessed or a misconduct penalty may be imposed after a warning to any player (or players) for improper equipment. The same player, in the same game, shall impose a game misconduct penalty for a second offense.
2. The following equipment is required for all AHAMP players:
 - a. Helmet and approved face mask
 - b. Coaches on ice must wear helmet at all times
 - c. Hockey gloves
 - d. Hockey pants with pads
 - e. Shoulder pads
 - f. Shin guards
 - g. Supporter with cup (boys) or pelvic protector (girls)
 - h. Elbow pads
 - i. Internal mouth guard (mouth piece) DOES NOT need to be attached – Peewee and above
 - j. Protective safety lens (where appropriate)
 - k. Full coverage throat protector (neck guard) – Peewee and above
 - l. Hockey sticks must have the butt-end of the handle properly covered with tape or rubber-end cap. Aluminum sticks must have a wooden plug.
3. Equipment is available through AHAMP
 - a. Information on what is available for each level can be found in the Equipment Rental Information form. A signed form is required for any equipment borrowed. At this time no rental deposit is required.
4. In addition to the above-required equipment, a goalie must also wear an approved fully protective facemask and helmet with throat shield.

B. Equipment Condition

1. Parents and players have the obligation to ensure that all equipment is in satisfactory condition and properly sized. No equipment should be customized and/or modified since tampering tends to reduce equipment performance, as warranted by the manufacturer.
2. A player is expected to wear his/her official AHAMP jersey to be eligible to participate in a AHAMP game or official team function.

C. AHAMP Uniforms

1. House B Team Players
 - a. AHAMP will provide:
 - i. Goalie equipment will be provided by AHAMP, with certain restrictions.
 - b. Player will provide:
 - i. Hockey pants – short pants or short shells are the official game uniform. Long pants or long shells are not allowed.
 - ii. A helmet with facemask and mouthpiece.
 - iii. Helmets may be of any color
 - iv. Hockey gloves
 - v. All other required equipment

X. DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

- A. The Disciplinary Committee consists of the AHAMP President, Vice-President, Secretary, Director whose players are involved and the Division Representative or his/her designee. The Vice President runs this committee. This standing committee convenes as necessary to review and act upon rules violation or other incidents brought to the attention of the ACE Coaches Coordinator or President.
- B. Complaints or infractions of AHAMP rules and regulations will be investigated and reviewed by the Disciplinary Committee only when submitted in writing through the Code of Conduct Violation form to the ACE Coaches Coordinator, President or Board.
- C. After due notice, the Disciplinary Committee may hold special meetings prior to imposing additional penalties beyond those mandated by the AHAMP Bylaws, MAHA, or USA Hockey for specific rule violations.
- D. Decisions of the Disciplinary Committee shall be final, subject only to written appeal and review by the full AHAMP Board of Directors at its next meeting or a special meeting.
 1. No protest will be accepted or considered if it is based upon a matter of play involving only the accuracy of the referees' judgment. At any time of the decision in question and before play resumes, the coach or manager must inform the official that the game is being played under protest. Written protests must be submitted to the ACE Coaches Coordinator or President within 48 hours of the printed starting time of the game protested, plus a \$10.00 protest fee which will be refunded if the protest is upheld. The Board of Directors will render a Decision.
 2. Player Suspensions – the right of appeal is available to any person who has been issued a suspension.

3. Game appeals – an AHAMP game may be appealed for any reason other than a referee's decision.

XI. ANNUAL FUNDRAISING

- A. To help ensure the growth of the Association beyond player fees, the Association has elected to hold an annual raffle. The raffle is held in accordance with Michigan and Federal laws.
 1. Each player from 8U to 18U will be given 10 raffle tickets to sell at \$10 each. The money for these tickets is collected up front and players keep the funds for any tickets sold. They may choose to not sell any tickets and write their own name on the tickets
 2. Per Michigan law, every ticket must be returned or have a form completed for any lost tickets.
 3. Winners shall be contacted prior to the information being released. Winners may elect to not have their name released.
- B. Funds from the raffle have been divided in third. The funds have been allocated into the following funds:
 1. Scholarship Fund
 - a. These funds will be divided into 10 \$200 scholarships to be dispersed following the Scholarship Program Rules
 2. Equipment Fund
 - a. These funds will be held to use towards the purchase of new equipment for AHAMP. This can be equipment to outfit players or to improve on or off ice training.
 3. General Fund
 - a. These funds to be used in the manner the board sees fit. Some applications have been giving back to teams to use towards tournament fees and ice time or for getting new jerseys for the organization.
- C. The proceeds from the raffle may be held for another purpose by vote of the Board of Directors. Teams should not plan these funds for tournament and other purposes on an annual basis.