

NMAHA "PLAY UP" APPLICATION



Parent Name _____

Player Name _____

Player Date of Birth _____

Age Division _____ "Play Up" Division _____

- Parents must write a letter to the Board explaining why they want their player to "play up."
- Parents must request an evaluation from the "gaining" coach. The evaluation can be done by a coach from the "gaining" team during a practice.
- Parent must request a letter of approval from the "losing" coach to be sent to the VP of Rec
- Parent must request a letter of approval from the "gaining" coach to be sent to the VP of Rec.
- Parents should notify the manager of both the "losing" and "gaining" teams as a courtesy.
- Parents must provide this completed application and their letter to the VP of Rec.

PLEASE NOTE:

A player must be evaluated to be within the top 10% of players within their appropriate age category and within the top 20% of registered players at the next age category. This is to maintain age category integrity, comply with USA Hockey insurance requirements and provide a safe developmental environment for both the individual player and the players of the both teams concerned.

Ideally, a panel comprised of a "losing team" coach, a "gaining team" coach and a neutral USA Hockey-certified coach will evaluate the player concerned – against both current age category and upper age category players in an effort to ensure playing up will not be detrimental to the safety or development of either the individual player or the respective team. Size and maturity level should be assessed, in addition to player skill and ability. The evaluators would provide a written summary of the basis for their decision concerning the "play up" application to the VP of Rec.

Once the application process has been completed and the parent and coaches' letters have been submitted to the VP of Rec, the VP of Rec will then submit the application package to the Board for approval. The decision of the Board will be conveyed to the parents and both coaches by the VP of Rec.