



# Michigan Amateur Hockey Association

## PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

2021-2022  
Late -02

SUBJECT: **Revise Bylaw 11**

☒ MAHA

☐ USA

☐ CHANGE

☐ NEW RULE

RULE NO. **Bylaw 11**

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### Current Rule Reads:

#### **BYLAW 11: AMENDMENTS**

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- D. For Bylaw and Rules and Regulations amendments, adoption shall require a two-thirds majority vote of the Board Members voting at the Summer meeting.
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**Revise As Follows:**

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**Effective Date of Rule:** 7/10/22

**Reason For Change:** Align with changes to USA Hockey Bylaws. Allows more time for implementation once changes are made

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Submitted by: **George Atkinson**

District Director:

Rules Committee Action:

MAHA Directors Action:

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2021-2022  
Late - 03

SUBJECT: Youth Tier 1 Out of State Requirements

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Current Rule Reads:

#### IV. Youth Age & Division Classifications

##### A. Tier I Category and AAA Division Teams.

5. To qualify as a Tier I Organization the following criteria must be followed:

c. Tier I organizations are limited to ten (10) non-Michigan players per organization at the 12U (Pee Wee) age level through 16U Midget Minor age level (age 11–16) with no more than six (6) non-Michigan players on any one team. 18U (Midget Major) (age 17-18) teams shall be allowed no more than 6 (six) non-Michigan players on any one team

Revise As Follows:

c. Tier I organizations are limited in the number of non-Michigan players per organization.

a. Tier I teams will be allowed the following number of out of state players that live outside 100 miles of either the Taylor Sportsplex or Wings West in Kalamazoo, based on Google maps point to point distance.

i. Non-US Citizens and US Citizens living in Canada will also fall into this category.

ii. Tier I organizations are restricted to only two players that are non-US citizens. These players are considered in your out of state count.

iii. Tier 1 Organizations are limited to the following:

1. 10U Tier I – No Out of State Players
2. 11U Tier I – No Out of State Players
3. 12U Tier I – No Out of State Players
4. 13U Tier I – No Out of State Players
5. 14U Tier I – One Out of State Players
6. 15O Tier I – Two Out of State Players
7. 16O Tier I – Three Out of State Players
8. 18U Tier I – Nine Out of State Players - Combination totaling 9 players, including out of state, Ohio/Indiana, commuter US Citizens and non-US citizens

b. Beginning at the 14U age category, players who are 14 years old or older as defined by USAH age classifications.

i. Must live within 100 miles of either the Taylor Sportsplex or Wings West in Kalamazoo (point to point as determined by the same MAHA system used to calculate Tier II closest rink).

ii. Teams will be allowed the following number of Ohio, and Indiana players providing they meet the requirements above. These players will not count

against the number of players allocated to out-of-state players, but shall be limited as follows.

1. 14U Tier I – One Players
  2. 15O Tier I – Two Players
  3. 16O Tier I – Three Players
  4. 18U Tier I-Combination totaling 9 players, including out of state, Ohio/Indiana, commuter US Citizens and non-US citizens
- iii. At the 16O level a team may increase either their out of state player number or their Ohio/Indiana player's number to four. If they increase one of these categories to four, then the corresponding category must be reduced to two. Under no circumstance may the total between the two categories be more than six.
- c. The head coach of a team that is found in violation of the Tier I out of state rule will be suspended for the remainder of the current season and the following season.
- d. All players that stay with a billet family are required to register with USA with their actual home address. No billet parent addresses.

**Effective Date of Rule: 7/10/22**

**Reason For Change:** Put into effect the Pilot Program that has been operating for 3 years that increased the number of Out of State Players for Tier 1 Organizations.

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