



Nova Elite Hockey Development Association		Team Policies & Procedures
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Purpose:

The Nova Major Hockey Team must present a consistent look on and off the ice in accordance with the rules & regulations of the Nova Scotia U15 Major Hockey League. In support of this mandate, the Association will provide hockey players with the necessary equipment and apparel to participate in each competitive program as outlined in the following policy. This policy in no way supersedes the requirements of Hockey Canada or Hockey Nova Scotia with respect to required equipment.

Policy:

- All equipment is the property of the Nova Major Hockey Team and is to be used solely for the purpose of competing as a representative of the hockey team. **It is *not* to be used for any purpose other than team games and practices.**
- Each player is responsible for lost or stolen items.
- Equipment and apparel will be issued after the final roster has been completed and submitted to the Nova Scotia U15 Major Hockey League and Hockey Nova Scotia for player registration purposes.
- Equipment – New team members will be issued one helmet and mask and one set of gloves which they will retain until they graduate from the program or upon leaving the team. The players are responsible for these items throughout their membership on the hockey team. Graduating players will be permitted to keep these items. Any items that need to be replaced over the course of the player's tenure with the hockey team are the responsibility of the player. The Nova Major Hockey Team will ensure that any equipment that the player is required to purchase can be done through the team at the team price. Any player who leaves the team prior to completing one year of eligibility is required to return all equipment.
- Goalie Equipment – New team members will be issued one goalie mask which they will retain until they graduate from the program or upon leaving the team. The players are responsible for this item throughout their membership on the hockey team. Graduating players will be permitted to keep this item. Any items that need to be replaced over the course of the player's tenure with the hockey team are the responsibility of the player. The Nova Major Hockey Team will ensure that any equipment that the player is required to purchase can be done through the team at the team price. Any goalie that leaves the team prior to completing one year of eligibility is required to return all equipment.
- Uniform – At the beginning of each season a player will be issued a home jersey & pair of socks, an away jersey & pair of socks, and a pair of pant shells. Players are responsible for necessary care and cleaning of the uniform throughout the season so that they are presentable at games. The jerseys must also be reasonably clean and in



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proper repair. Game jerseys are to be worn only for games and not for practice. To have a consistent look, each player's name tags must have the same presentation style for the entire team. Therefore, to ensure this consistency, name tags will be provided each year for new players. Player name tags will be placed above the numbers (across the shoulders) while sponsorship tags will appear under the numbers. Name tags will be white background with black on white jerseys, and black background with white lettering on black jerseys. Jerseys are not to be tucked into hockey pants; sponsor tags on the jersey must be visible. Home and away jerseys, pant shells, and socks **must** be returned to the hockey team at the end of the season. If any item is not returned to the hockey team at the end of the season, then the player will be invoiced for the replacement cost of the item.

- Practice jersey – At the beginning of each season a player will be issued a practice jersey to be worn at all practices. Players are responsible for necessary care of the practice jersey throughout the course of the season. The practice jerseys **must** be returned to the hockey team at the end of the season.
- Training Suit – New team members will be issued one training suit which they will retain until they graduate from the program or upon leaving the team. The players are responsible for these items throughout their membership on the hockey team. Graduating players will be permitted to keep these items. Any items that need to be replaced over the course of the player's tenure with the hockey team are the responsibility of the player. The Nova Major Hockey Team will ensure that any suit that the player is required to purchase can be done through the team at the team price. Any player who leaves the team prior to completing one year of eligibility is required to return the suit.
- Any player, with less than one year of eligibility, quitting the hockey team prior to the end of the season is responsible for returning all items issued within seven (7) days of the date he/she quit the team. All items issued must be returned to the General Manager to confirm all items are returned. If the equipment is not returned, then the player will forfeit any registration reimbursement that he/she may be eligible for. If the cost of the equipment exceeds the amount of eligible reimbursement of registration fees, then the player will be invoiced the difference on behalf of the team.