

**BC LACROSSE ASSOCIATION
2024 PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE
BCLA SENIOR DIRECTORATE OPERATING POLICY**

Proposed by Darcy Dagan, North Shore Senior B, General Manager

DELETE REGULATION 5: PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – GENERAL 5.05 that reads

~~5.05 — Any Senior C player who plays up to Senior B or Senior A for more than five (5) games in a playing season will be ineligible for play in Senior C Provincial Championships. Goaltenders will be allowed eight (8) games before becoming ineligible for the Senior C Championships. Any Junior B Tier 1, Junior B Tier 2, Junior B Tier 3 or U17 player who plays up to Junior A, Senior A or Senior B, will be ineligible for play in the Senior C Provincial Championships if they play up more than five (5) games as a player, or eight (8) games as a goaltender. Any Senior B released player may play Senior C Lacrosse.~~

Rationale: This is a restrictive rule that doesn't really serve a purpose other than limit games played for players who want to play more lacrosse. Many players choose to play C for reasons that have little to do with their ability, but more to do with their personal situation (work, family, coaching etc). They still would like to be able to be called up without any worry of a games played rule or where they must "pick and choose" who they play up for, because of this rule. If allowing players who were deadline cuts from A or B to participate in C provincials, with no consideration for games played, the same should be allowed here.

The number of Jr players that would meet these rules criteria is minimal to non-existent, so not sure that needs to be in there either

Proposed by Tyson Craiggs, Ridge Meadows Minor Association, President

REGULATION 5: PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – GENERAL 5.09 currently reads:

5.09 A Junior player resident of a city, town, municipality, or boundaries set out in ratified league agreements, et cetera with no team entered for which they are eligible, shall be given the choice of the team for which they will play.

Having made a choice, such player shall remain a member of the team for which they have signed until properly released, ~~or until~~ the city, town, municipality, et cetera in which they live ~~operates~~ a team for which they ~~are eligible, when the said player shall have the choice of signing with the new team in their own city, town, municipality, et cetera or of remaining with the team for which they originally signed.~~

Amend REGULATION PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – GENERAL 5.09 that would read:

5.09 A Junior player **who is** resident of a city, town, municipality, or boundaries set out in ratified league agreements, et cetera with no team entered **in the league** for which they are eligible, **and who have not been drafted or traded**, shall be given the choice of the team for which they will play.

Having made a choice, such player shall remain a member of the team for which they have signed until properly released, **even if** the city, town, municipality, et cetera in which they live **begins operating** a team for which they would **otherwise be eligible. Residency is where you are primarily and normally live.**

Rationale: The way current policy sits, this will protect current Junior franchises from player movement or loss due to expansion or relocation in the Junior league.

Proposed by Tyson Craiggs, Ridge Meadows Minor Association, President

Add **NEW REGULATION 5: PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – GENERAL 5.10** that would read:

- 5.10 *A Junior player who is resident of a city, town, municipality, or boundaries set out in ratified league agreements, et cetera with no team entered in the league for which they are eligible, and who have been drafted or traded shall remain a member of the team who drafted them, or the team they were traded to, until properly released, even if the city, town, municipality, et cetera in which they live begins operating a team for which they would otherwise be eligible.*

Rationale: The way current policy sits, this will protect current Junior franchises from player movement or loss due to expansion or relocation in the Junior league.

Renumber all Regulations following if motion passes (up to and including 5.42)

Proposed by Tyson Craiggs, Ridge Meadows Minor Association, President

Add **NEW REGULATION 5: PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – GENERAL 5.11** that would read:

- 5.11 *A Junior player who is resident of a city, town, municipality, or boundaries set out in ratified league agreements, et cetera with no team entered in the league for which they are eligible, and who has been drafted, traded or signed as a free agent, shall remain a member of the team who drafted them, or the team they were traded to, or the team who they signed with as a free agent until properly released. Upon their release, the player must be signed by a team in accordance with the ratified league agreement of which they are a player.*

Rationale: The way current policy sits, this will protect current Junior franchises from player movement or loss due to expansion or relocation in the Junior league.

Renumber all Regulations following if motion passes (up to and including 5.42)
