

EASTMAN CONSTITUTION
EASTMAN MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
GENERAL BY-LAWS
(Amended: Aug 2008)

That where this constitution is inconsistent with the Constitution, By-laws and Regulations of the Hockey Canada and Hockey Manitoba, the Hockey Manitoba and Hockey Canada Constitution, By-laws and Regulations shall prevail.

WHEREAS the Manitoba Amateur Hockey Association (hereinafter referred to as the Hockey Manitoba), has divided the Province of Manitoba into specific regions for the purpose of governing minor hockey activities within such regions:

NOW THEREFORE be it enacted:

1. Name

This Organization shall be called EASTMAN MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION (hereinafter referred to as EASTMAN).

2. Region

The area know as Eastman Region (hereinafter referred to as REGION) over which Eastman shall have jurisdiction, is that portion of Manitoba as shall be determined and defined by Hockey Manitoba.

3. Objectives

The objectives of Eastman shall be to encourage and promote minor hockey throughout the region. Eastman shall also administer, regulate and govern all aspects of minor hockey within the region in accordance with the Hockey Manitoba Regulations or any other powers bestowed on it by Hockey Manitoba.

4. Members

Members of Eastman shall be all minor hockey organizations, within the Region, that have formed its own local association to operate a minor hockey system (the Eastman AAA Midget Hockey Team will be considered as an association).

5. Officers

The officers of Eastman shall be: Director, Vice Director, Treasurer, Secretary, Referee-In-Chief, Vice Director – Female, Development Coordinator, and Website Administrator shall be elected by the members at the Eastman Annual General Meeting. The Registrar shall be nominated by Eastman to be appointed to this position by Hockey Manitoba. The Secretary is appointed by the Director. All officers' positions shall be filled at each and every General Meeting. In the event of any one of these positions, except that of Director, becoming vacant between Annual General Meetings, the remaining officers may appoint someone to fill such vacancy until the next General Meeting. Should the position of Director become vacant between Annual General Meetings, the Vice Director shall assume the position and responsibilities of Director and a new Vice Director may be appointed by the remaining officers.

I) DIRECTOR:

The Director shall be the Rural Minor Director for Eastman, and shall speak and vote on behalf of Eastman at all meetings of Hockey Manitoba that may be attended by the Director. The Director shall preside at all meetings of Eastman and shall be a member of each and every committee that is formed by Eastman. The Director shall rule on all suspensions incurred in accordance with the Hockey Manitoba Suspension Guidelines.

II) VICE DIRECTOR:

The Vice Director shall, in the absence of the Director, have all the powers and perform all the duties of the Director. He shall also perform all such other duties as may be asked of him by Eastman.

III) SECRETARY:

The Secretary shall record proceedings of all meetings of Eastman and keep such minutes in a book kept for such purpose. The Secretary, at the direction of the Director shall send out Notices of Meeting, Minutes and other records to all members. The Secretary shall perform such other duties as may be required by Eastman.

IV) REFEREE-IN-CHIEF:

The Referee-In-Chief shall be responsible for the training, education and development of referees in the Region. He shall deal with all matters relating to officials, including the implementation of regular evaluation of all officials. He shall also perform other duties as may be required of him by Eastman.

V) TREASURER:

The Treasurer shall receive all monies and make all payments as required and keep proper records of all transaction. He shall also perform such other duties as may be required of the person by Eastman.

VI) DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR:

The Development Coordinator shall be responsible for all regional development programs and overseeing all regional player, coaches and parent training in addition to performing all such duties as may be asked of him by Eastman.

VII) VICE DIRECTOR – FEMALE:

The Vice Director – Female shall be responsible for the education, development and promotion of female hockey in the Region. He will also be the Eastman's representative to the Female Congress at all their meetings. He shall also perform other duties as may be required of the person by Eastman.

VIII) WEBSITE ADMINISTRATOR:

The Website Administrator shall be responsible for maintaining the regional website in addition to performing all such other duties as may be asked of him by Eastman.

6. Meetings

Eastman shall hold three (3) General Meetings as outlined below:

1. ***Annual Meeting:*** The Annual Meeting shall be held in April of each year, prior to the Hockey Manitoba Annual General Meeting, at a location to be determined at the Semi-Annual Meeting. The purpose of the Annual General Meeting shall be to review the previous hockey season, review reports that may be received, review the financial report, elect officers for the coming year and deal with any other matters that may be brought before the meeting.
2. ***Fall Meeting:*** The Fall General Meeting shall be held in early September of each year, at a location to be determined at the Annual General Meeting. The purpose shall be to review changes made by the Hockey Manitoba at their Annual General Meeting, review dates for Referee and Coaching Clinics, review local association list and deal with any other matters that may be brought before the meeting.
3. ***Semi-Annual Meeting:*** The Semi-Annual Meeting shall be held in early January of the year at such location as is determined at the Fall General Meeting. The purpose of this meeting shall be to review any reports received, update the local association contact list, determine the eligibility of teams for division of play for the Hockey Manitoba Rural Playdowns, set dates for tournaments and completion of play for such Playdowns and to deal with any other matters that may be brought before the meeting.

All minor hockey associations over which Eastman has jurisdiction are required to have at least one (1) delegate attend each of the three (3) or more Eastman General Meetings. A fine of \$100.00 shall be assessed to each association for each meeting where the association fails to be represented by at least one (1) delegate. In an event that an association is assessed such fine, but fails to pay the same, Eastman shall not issue or approve player registrations or accept teams entries for Regional Provincial Playdowns, from that association until such time as any and all fines levied have been paid.

7. Voting

Every local minor hockey association that is duly organized as an association and has one or more hockey teams playing minor hockey within the region, whether part of an organized league or not, shall be entitled to vote on all matters that may be brought before all general meetings held by Eastman. Each minor hockey association shall be entitled to one vote only, regardless of the number of players registered with their association. All officers of Eastman shall be entitled to vote on all matters that may be brought before all general meetings.

8. Committees

Eastman may establish various committees to perform such duties and functions as may be required by the members. All committees shall report to the membership as required at any of its General Meetings, or Special General Meetings called for that purpose.