

Registration Costs for the 2020 Season

Our registration costs for Novice and above will be set at \$415 per player, which was what the registration had previously been set at for this season for Novice & Atom, Girls and Juvenile. This rate was set to reflect the ice time usage of these groups. The Pee wee/Bantam/Midget age group will see a reduction in their fees to reflect the fact that their ice usage has been reduced in accordance with the OHF guidelines, and they will now be using the same amount of ice per week as every other team in this upcoming season. There will also be a cost of \$25/novice and above players for a practice jersey with a number and Central Perth Predators logo so that we can divide our age groups into teams that will play in house only. The practice jersey will be yours to keep once the season ends.

All current registration cheques for Novice age level and above will be destroyed. A new cheque will need to be issued for the registration cost of \$415 plus the \$25 jersey costs (\$440). Please do not reissue a fundraising or lottery cheque as these are still valid. If you sent an e-transfer it will be adjusted accordingly and you may need to add the \$25 jersey cost to your payment. You may drop your cheque off to our registrar (Elesha Buchanan, 150 Brock Street Monkton) or send an e-transfer to treasurer@centralperthminorhockey.ca. All Payment is due no later than September 30th, 2020.

Your registration dollars go to cover the many costs of providing hockey, most of which have not changed significantly over last year. There is a mandatory insurance fee of \$43.20 per player + the same fee for every bench staff on a roster. Ice rental is far and away our most significant costs. Our ice usage is going down only slightly this year because of the requirements of Stage 3B for hockey, while our registration numbers and registration fees have gone down much more. In terms of a 24 week season, each team will use approximately 48 hours of ice. At an approximate cost of \$150/hour of ice, each player, on teams of 10, will see an ice cost per player of \$720. We also have WOAA team fees, the website, coaches courses, equipment and supplies, and referees to pay for. We have eliminated the gate fees for this season, which takes a further \$22,000 out of revenue for this year. Our referee fees will be reduced, but at this point it is unclear how much they will be reduced. Because of the significant costs that are still being incurred, with reduced revenue, we are keeping the fundraising in place, with plans to do our fundraising in covid safe ways. We also still require a significant number of volunteers to make the organization run, so the volunteer levy will still be in place. To put it into perspective, with registration fees of \$415/year, each icetime per player costs less than \$10.

We are very lucky that Elma-Logan Minor Hockey and Milverton Minor Hockey left us in a good financial position upon amalgamation. We will be using some of those reserves this year in order to keep our registration costs at the current levels, with a significant one-time deficit expected. In order to come out the other side of this extraordinary year, we all need to work together to continue to sell the lottery tickets, the fundraising items, and to volunteer with our kid's teams.

There is no doubt that hockey this year will not look the same as it has in the past, and hopefully will only last a year before we can get back to "normal". We have worked very hard in the past years to provide a good hockey experience at a reasonable cost - especially compared to playing costs in some of our neighbouring centres. We are the Predators, and together we can have a great year. Go Preds Go!

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