



TAHA Registrars:

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Please share this communication with your association leadership and Hockey Directors. The TAHA Guidebook may be referenced at: <https://www.tahahockey.org/guidebook/rulebook>.

With new travel and house seasons on the horizon, we wish to clarify the process regarding out-of-community ("OOC") waivers and 8U/Mite play-ups.

TAHA has formed an OOC Committee to review all OOC waiver and 8U play-up requests. The OOC Committee intends to meet weekly (mid-week) leading up to and throughout the respective tryout processes to review such requests. Applicants may expect response communication from the OOC late in the week thereafter.

OOC Waivers

Pursuant to the TAHA Guidebook, all **House/Rec and Tier II** rosters must be "community-based". **The 'residency' expectation for all such players is that the domicile or permanent residence of the player's family – as a unit – is the address from which the family will file their income tax.**

For purposes of an in-season House/Rec or Tier II roster, the **parent** (or legal guardian) of any player seeking an OOC waiver must contact, and submit the required documentation directly to, the appropriate TAHA Section President.

Note that in the case of tryouts, an OOC waiver must be obtained **PRIOR** to the player attending an OOC tryout or signing a player contract.

All requests must include the following completed 2023-24 documentation, as may be applicable. Said documentation may be found on the TAHA website under the "Players" tab:

- TAHA players –
 - OOC Waiver Request Form
- Out of Affiliate players –
 - OOC Waiver Request Form
 - Part 1 - Member Association Release
 - Part 2 - Inter-Affiliate Acknowledgement

Upon receipt of the required documentation, the Section President may verify with the player's local association (or USAH affiliate, as the case may be) that either the player attended tryouts and got cut, or that there is no age division, or level option, for them locally. In the case of a move-in, the Section President may request certain documentation evidencing and/or supporting the Player's relocation.

All OOC waivers, once granted, are specific to the team/roster as set forth in the above-referenced detailed request process and expire at the end of the 2023-24 season.

8U/Mite Play-ups

The name of any 8U/Mite Major player* to be rostered on a 10U roster (pursuant to TAHA's Mite Policy) must be submitted, in writing, to the appropriate Section President (per above) for approval.

*An 8U/Mite Major player is a second year Mite as defined by USAH age classification.

OOC Committee

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