



PETERBOROUGH GIRLS HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

POLICIES & PROCEDURES

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Non-Resident Policy (Former Import Policy)

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Non-resident or Import Policy

Policy Statement

The purpose of this policy is to recognize player loyalty within the PGHA, as well as to support a feeder system to maintain the association's growth and ensure that Peterborough players will be able to play hockey in their community at the highest level possible to suit their aspirations and skill level.

Non-Resident Definition

A non-resident player is defined as a non-resident of Peterborough as defined by Peterborough County, City of Kawartha Lakes or Haliburton County; with the exception being any player who has previously been considered a Legacy player (grandfathered) under our prior policy, or for a player that will be residing in the area prior to the start of the upcoming season.

Players who have never played for an OWA association and meet residency requirements will be considered residentially compliant players.

Resident status must be established using the following guidelines:

1. Resident of Peterborough County, City of Kawartha Lakes or Haliburton County
2. A player will be deemed to reside within these areas if:
 - a) Their parents are living together and are residing within such PGHA boundaries OR
 - b) Either of the player's parents (or court-appointed legal guardian) reside within such boundaries and the player attends school within the boundaries.

School attendance refers to the physical location the player in question attends school during the traditional academic year. The player must attend a school within the defined Peterborough boundaries. Additionally, said player must continue to attend the school within Peterborough boundaries while playing for the PGHA.



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Residence shall be established by providing one of the following mandatory documents:

1. Driver's License
2. Tax Bill
3. Homeowner or tenant records
4. Utility bills (i.e., gas, electric, water/sewer, phone, mobile phone, heating, waste disposal)
5. Insurance documents
6. Internet, cable or satellite records
7. Notary Public Affidavit in split residence circumstances, with split residence confirming the player resides within Peterborough more than 50% of the time (joint custody).

Note this can also be used as additional documentation in other family or custody orders.

Or

Supporting school documentation records, including school issued report cards. School Administration may be contacted to verify information.

Non-residency Status – the following applies to all non-resident with the PGHA

1st Year Non-resident:

This is a non-resident who has been selected to play for a PGHA Rep team for the first time and is counted toward that team's non-resident quota. This player is considered a non-resident player.

2nd Year Non-resident:

This is a non-resident who has been selected to play for the PGHA Rep team in their second consecutive year with PGHA, where they were a first-year non-resident the season prior. This player is considered a non-resident player and is counted toward that team's non-resident quota.

Legacy Non-resident:

This is a non-resident player who has:

- Been selected to play for a PGHA Rep team in their 3rd consecutive year (or more) with the PGHA, where they were at a minimum a 2nd year non-resident under in the season prior. This player will not count toward the non-resident quota.
- **Exception for the 2023/2024 season** - A non-resident player from the 2023/2024 season who was a 1st year non-resident will now be considered a legacy player for the 2024/2025 season and any season thereafter, provided they stay with the PGHA.

A legacy player is eligible to play on any level Rep team and is treated as a resident, provided they have remained a PGHA player for both preceding years and is in good standing.

If a legacy player chooses to leave the PGHA for another association, they must recommence the non-residency process from the beginning, starting with year-one status.



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Non-resident or Import quotas are as follows:

- U18 AA/A/BB/B - 3
- U15 AA/A/BB/B - 3
- U13 AA/A/BB/B - 3
- U11 AA/A/BB/B - 3
- U9 AA/A/BB/B - 3
- HL teams, U22 and Senior teams do not have any non-resident restrictions.

Exceptions can be requested to the VP of Rep and the President for consideration by the PGHA Executive.

Non-resident/Import Goalies

Non-resident goalies will be treated as non-residents and will count towards the total number of specified non-residents outlined above.