

13, 14 and 15 Year Old Officials QUADRANT-BASED REGISTRATION AND ASSIGNING PROGRAM

1. Who does this apply to?

These changes apply to all officials who are 13, 14 and 15 years old who plan on refereeing at the U9 and U11 levels (formerly Novice and Atom hockey).

2. What is changing?

You will now register and be assigned hockey on the basis of the **arenas you want to be assigned to**, rather than the minor hockey association you live in.

Please note that this year, **each quadrant will have a registration cap of between 150 - 175 officials.** We encourage all officials to sign up for their quadrant clinic as early as possible as numbers will be capped.

3. How do I know which quadrant to pick?

Pick the quadrant that has the **greatest number of arenas** you are willing to skate at. The preliminary list of arenas can be found in Schedule "A". When clinics are posted later in the summer, please refer to the updated list in case there are any changes.

4. What will happen when I register for a quadrant?

You will take a clinic with other officials from your area. After the clinic is completed, a profile will be created in our assigning system that has these arenas pre-populated for your quadrant.

The Quadrants were created on the basis of total number of U9 and U11 games at each arena to help ensure there is a fair distribution across each quadrant.

5. Why are you capping registrations?

We have heard feedback from our stakeholders that many officials were registering but did not receive any games. To help ensure each official receives a minimum number of games, we are capping registrations based on the total number of games available each season.

6. What other benefits will this new system bring to officials?

In addition to providing our assignors with a clear roster of officials to assign, it will allow our Grassroots team to track officials and ensure that our roster receives mentorship and coaching during the season.

Our officials will also have more ability to accept assignments in their quadrant, increasing their likelihood of getting and receiving assignments.

7. Is there anything I can do to receive more hockey?

Updating your availability regularly is critical. Please update the assigning system to have as much availability at as many arenas as possible to help ensure you receive a maximum number of assignments.

8. Will my Minor Hockey Association be responsible for the officials moving forward?

No, Central Region Referee Association will have full responsibility for registration, assigning and mentoring of our officials. There will no longer be any application process or filtering process done by any Minor Hockey Association.

Central Region will continue to hold clinics in each quadrant until the registration caps are met.



NW – 17 arenas	NE – 18 Arenas	SW – 16 Arenas	SE – 13 Arenas
Winsport A, B, C, D	Ness 1, 2**	<mark>7 Chiefs 1, 2</mark>	Cardel Rec 1, 2, 3, 4**
Bowness**	Ernie Star	Southland 1, 2	Frank McCool**
<mark>Brentwood</mark>	Stew Hendry / Henry	Flames Community	<mark>Lake Bonavista</mark> **
FDB/Norma Bush	Viney	Blue, Red, Gold**	Trico 1, 2**
Crowchild 1, 2**	Vivo 1, 2	Optimist / George Blunden**	ECTAS 1, 2
<mark>Crowfoot</mark>	Village Square 1, 2	Rose Kohn / Jimmie	Great Plains 1, 2
Rocky Ridge	Thorncliffe	Condon	Jack Setters
West Hillhurst	Hockey Hub	Stu Peppard	Seton 1, 2
<mark>Shouldice</mark>	Max Bell 1, 2**	Oakridge	
	Murray Copot	<mark>Acadia</mark>	
	Mt Pleasant	Westside Rec	
	Huntington Hills**	Springbank 1, 2**	
		Edge 1,2	

Arenas with >30 U9 and/or U11 games in 2022 – 2023 season.

**Main hub for U9/U11

Under the Community Assigning program, some communities had zero U9 assignments. The distribution of assignments per community can be summarized as follows:

	U9	U11	Total
Min	0	52	81
Max	181	267	448
Average	89	119	208

Under the quadrant system, the distribution of available assignments is much more equitably per the statistics below:

	U9	U11	Total
NW	283	360	643
NE	231	391	622
SW	269	368	637
SE	322	380	702

	U9	U11	Total
Min	231	360	622
Max	322	391	702
Average	276.25	374.75	651



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9. Who are the Quadrant Assignors for this Season?

Northeast – Karin Kronen (kkronen@czrc.ab.ca)

Southeast - Yvonne Neufeld (<u>yneufeld@czrc.ab.ca</u>)

Southwest - Rosemary Parker (rparker@czrc.ab.ca)

Grassroots Mentorship – Alida Tanney (<u>atanney@czrc.ab.ca)*</u>

*Alida's role will be to help coordinate our grassroots team and help ensure that our officials receive support throughout the season.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Quadrant Assignor for the quadrant you will be working with.