

INFORMATION BULLETIN

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TO: OMHA Member Associations

CC: OMHA Board; OMHA Convenors

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SUBJECT: Team Official Qualifications – 2020-2021 Season

As part of the Hockey Canada and OHF Return to Hockey Framework, qualification recommendations are included for Team Officials.

A chart detailing the qualification requirements that will be in place for OMHA Team Officials during the implementation of Return to Hockey during 2020-2021 is attached, and will be published and communicated through OMHA communications channels.

One key element of the requirements includes:

New for 2020-2021: All Team Officials (Coach, Trainer & Manager) are required to complete Hockey University – Planning a Safe Return to Hockey, available at no cost to the individual.

As the ability to deliver in-person qualification clinics has been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, the requirements for new Coaches with no previous training are summarized on the chart.

Coaches with expiring 'Certified' status have received communications with respect to the appropriate course of action to renew their Certifications, including Professional Development (PD) opportunities for those seeking to obtain PD points online. Coaches can complete these modules through their CAC 'Locker' profile and earn Professional Development (PD) points towards the renewal of their Certification. In addition to this, Coaches can also use the 'Self Report' function through their Locker profile to report Active Years of Coaching and Self-Directed Learning (read a book, watch a video etc.). A coach can receive 5 PD points (1/year) for being active as a coach and an additional 3 PD points for reporting self-directed learning.

Please do not hesitate to contact your Regional Director or the OMHA Office should you have any questions or require any additional support.

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