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JERSEYS AND EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED BY THE VTMHA

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1. Introduction

- 1.1. The VTMHA supplies jerseys to every player.
- 1.2. The VTMHA provides goalie equipment to goalies in the H1 to H4 divisions.
- 1.3. Equipment loaned to players is for their own use only in connection with their participation on VTMHA teams and must be maintained in a way that ensures its continued use.

2. Goalie Equipment

- 2.1. Goalie equipment is provided in the H1 to H4 divisions to encourage players to try out for this position and assist in defraying the expenses of this costly yet critical position on all of our teams.
- 2.2. The VTMHA does not offer goalie equipment to goalies in Atom divisions and above. They are required to purchase their own gear.
- 2.3. Goaltending equipment will be issued to the coach or manager of each team in the H1 to H4 divisions. Responsibility for the care and security of such equipment remains with the coach or manager, who shall ensure that the gear is available when required.
- 2.4. All goaltending equipment is to be used during games and practices only and is not to be used for street or basement hockey. Use of goaltending equipment other than on the ice during VTMHA sponsored games or practices is not permitted.

3. Regulations Regarding VTMHA Jerseys

- 3.1. Jerseys supplied to teams are to be worn for games only. VTMHA jerseys are not to be worn in practices. This rule does not apply to players in the H1 and Intro to Hockey programs.
- 3.2. During the hockey season, a player is required to maintain and keep clean the VTMHA jersey issued to that player.
- 3.3. Each team manager is required to ensure that VTMHA jerseys are crested with “STOP” signs prior to tiering / balancing round play.
- 3.4. Heat pressed decals or patches may not be applied to VTMHA jerseys. If a heat pressed decal or patch is applied to a VTMHA jersey, and the jersey has to be repaired or replaced, the cost of such repair or replacement will be charged to the family of the player to whom the jersey is issued.
- 3.5. Sewn-on decals or patches may be applied to VTMHA jerseys only with the permission of the Vice President, Administration, except for “C” and “A” patches or player name

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bars, which may be applied to VTMHA jerseys without such permission, but must be removed before jerseys are returned at the end of each season.

- 3.6. Official team jerseys provided to teams are to be worn for all games except where the coloured jerseys are in conflict with those of a visiting team. Rep teams are assigned home and away jerseys with white being the home colour and blue the away colour. In games and tournaments played within the boundaries of the PCAHA, players must wear the jerseys that are issued by the VTMHA.
- 3.7. With prior approval of the Board of Directors, in games and tournaments played outside the PCAHA, teams may wear an alternate jersey if it conforms to the designated colour schemes of the VTMHA and shows at least one logo of the VTMHA on either the front or shoulder of the jersey.
- 3.8. The VTMHA may authorize the creation of a third jersey for rep teams using some alternative combination of VTMHA colours which teams may purchase and wear for games.
- 3.9. The Equipment Manager shall keep an inventory of the equipment and shall be responsible for the purchase and maintenance of all equipment. No person is permitted to purchase and/or rent equipment on behalf of the VTMHA without prior written authorization from the Equipment Manager.

4. Return of Jerseys and Equipment to VTMHA

- 4.1. The coach of a team is responsible for ensuring that all equipment is gathered at the end of the season and returned to the Equipment Manager.
- 4.2. Unless alternate arrangements have been made with the Equipment Manager, evaluation jerseys shall be returned to the Equipment Manager prior to carding.
- 4.3. If a player moves from one team to another during the course of the season, the return of the jersey originally assigned to the player remains the responsibility of the original team coach / manager. Before a player moves to another team, the player is to turn in the jersey. At the beginning of the season, when player movement occurs quite frequently, it may be best to keep the jerseys in the possession of the team coach/manager until the team roster is finalized.
- 4.4. All equipment assigned to a team for use during the course of the season remains the property of the VTMHA. VTMHA equipment, including pucks, cones and medical kits, is to be returned at the end of the season.
- 4.5. A deposit will be collected at the time of registration as a security deposit for the jersey. The deposit cheque will be destroyed at the end of the season if the jersey is returned in good condition.