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**Policies & Procedures  
of the  
Vancouver Thunderbird  
Minor Hockey Association**

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**EXTRA-ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES**

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**1. Spring and Summer Hockey**

- 1.1. VTMHA will not accept responsibility for players, teams or coaches participating in spring or summer hockey programs or events.
- 1.2. VTMHA may promote information on programs operated by Association partners and/or sponsors that are not in conflict with any Association operated programs.
- 1.3. VTMHA shall not sponsor or sanction any spring or summer hockey teams.
- 1.4. In the event that persons associated with the VTMHA participate on spring or summer hockey teams operated by organizations other than the VTMHA, neither they nor anyone on their behalf shall:
  - a) represent themselves as being associated with the VTMHA, or
  - b) seek ice rental rates based on their association with the VTMHA.
- 1.5. The VTMHA shall not permit persons participating in spring or summer hockey programs operated by organizations other than VTMHA to use VTMHA equipment including goalie gear and VTMHA branded hockey jerseys. A non-VTMHA spring or summer team may not have a dress code where clothing displaying the VTMHA logo is used.

**2. BC Hockey High Performance Program**

- 2.1. Players and on-ice officials registered with the VTMHA who are selected for BC Hockey's High Performance Program and who participate in the Program shall receive an allowance covering the full registration cost for participating in the Program.

**3. Provincial Playoffs**

- 3.1. The VTMHA shall pay the registration fee for a team that participates in a provincial playoff.
- 3.2. The VTMHA shall subsidize the transportation and accommodation costs of the players, coaches, manager and trainer of a team which has qualified for provincial playoffs provided that:
  - a) no subsidy shall be provided for playoffs that are less than 200 kilometres from Vancouver unless travel by ferry is required in which case the team shall be eligible for a subsidy regardless of the distance to the tournament location;
  - b) the maximum subsidy shall be \$4,000 or 75% of the transportation and accommodation costs calculated in accordance with Sections 3.3 and 3.4 of this policy, whichever is the lesser; and
  - c) teams are expected to use their best efforts to minimize the costs to the VTMHA pursuant to this policy.

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- 3.3. The transportation subsidy shall be an amount calculated in accordance with Section 3.2 and based on the following principles:
- a) if a bus is used to transport the team, the cost of the bus, provided that if a bus is used, no amount shall be allowed for a private vehicle;
  - b) if private vehicles are used the amount allowed for travel shall be calculated at \$0.50 per kilometre between Vancouver and the tournament location, and the number of vehicles eligible for that amount shall be determined on the basis that each vehicle carries the maximum number of persons for which it is designed; and
  - c) if the trip includes travel on a ferry, the cost of the ferry for the team and for the bus or private vehicles in accordance with Sections 3.3 (a) and (b).
- 3.4. The accommodation subsidy shall be an amount calculated in accordance with Section 3.2 and based on the following principles:
- a) if the team is accommodated in a hotel or motel, the reasonable cost of that accommodation based on two persons to a room or, where feasible, three persons to a room;
  - b) if any person is accommodated in the private home of a non-relative or friend, an amount equal to \$20 per night per person; and
  - c) the subsidy will be paid for the minimum number of nights required to participate in the tournament.
- 3.5. To establish a fund (the "Playoff Travel Fund") out of which the provincial playoff subsidy shall be paid, there shall be assessed against each rep player, to be paid at the time the rep fee is paid, the amount of \$5. The Playoff Travel Fund shall be administered as a separate account of the VTMHA and shall not be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Directors of the VTMHA otherwise directs. In the event that in any year the Playoff Travel Fund is insufficient to provide a full subsidy in accordance with this policy, the shortfall shall be made up out of the general revenues of the VTMHA.