Playing Up Form 2023

Purpose

This form is for players aged 18 years or younger as at 31 December this year who wish to play in an Age Grade higher than their biological age would indicate, including to Senior Grades.

Player Details

Player Name			
Date of Birth		**Age at 31 December**	
Current Grade		**Proposed Higher Grade**	

Section 1 – Coaching Approval

We, the coaches of lower and higher age grades as per The Player's details preceding confirm the following:

1. We have assessed The Player's suitability to play in the higher Age Grade in accordance with the current Playing Up or Down Policy
2. The Player meets the criteria for Playing Up as set out in the current Playing Up or Down Policy
3. We have discussed the potential risks with The Player and their Legal Guardian(s), including but not limited to those set out in the Playing Up or Down Policy
4. No other player or team in either Age Grade is disadvantaged by this Playing Up request

We hereby give our approval for The Player to play in the nominated higher Age Grade

Coach	Name	Signature	Date
Current Grade			
Higher Grade			

Section 2 – Legal Guardian Approval

I/we confirm we are Legal Guardian(s) of the above named Player. We confirm that we have read and understood the current Playing Up or Down Policy, and believe that The Player meets the criteria in that Policy to play in the higher Age Grade. We understand that there are risks involved with Playing Up and confirm that we have discussed these risks with the Coaches and The Player, including but not limited to:

1. Increased risk of physical injury
2. Risk of exposure to situations, topics and language that may be considered inappropriate for The Players current age and/or emotional development.
3. Playing Up may turn out to be detrimental to The Players overall development as a hockey player

I/we further understand and acknowledge the following:

1. We accept the risks to The Player associated with Playing Up
2. We have discussed the risks with The Player and The Player understands and accepts these risks
3. There is a cost involved in Playing Up, and I/we agree to pay this cost
4. Our obligations under the IHA Parent Code of Behaviour and Ethics and the IHA Spectator Code of Behaviour and Ethics

5. Approval to Play Up is at the absolute discretion of the IHACT Board, and that this Approval may be revoked at any time for any reason the Board deems reasonable.

I/we believe that The Player is sufficiently skilled and is of sufficient physical, mental and emotional maturity to play in the higher Age Grade and hereby give my/our consent.

Name	Signature	Date

Section 3 – Player Statement

I acknowledge that I am The Player as described at the start of this form. I acknowledge that there are risks to my physical and metal health associated with Playing Up, that these risks have been explained to me and I understand these risks.

I request permission to Play Up as per the preceding details in accordance with the current Playing Up or Down Policy.

Name	Signature	Date

Section 4 – Junior Delegate Receipt and Interim Decision

Date Received		Interim Decision	APPROVED / REJECTED

This decision has been made in accordance with the current Playing Up or Down Policy. If approved, the player may participate in the higher Age Grade as of the Decision Date. If rejected, The Player must not change Age Grades until the decision is reviewed by the Ice Hockey ACT Board.

Name	Signature	Date

Section 5 – Ice Hockey ACT Board Approval

Date this Form tabled in Board Meeting	
Board Decision	APPROVED / REJECTED

This decision has been made in accordance with the current Playing Up or Down Policy. If approved, the player may participate in the higher Age Grade as of the Meeting Date. If rejected, The Player must not participate in any activities with the higher Age Grade.