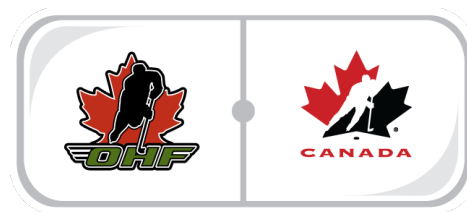


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To: OHF Directors, OHF Members, OHF Staff, OHF Senior Leadership Team, OHF Member Communication Staff
From: Phillip McKee – Executive Director
Date: December 19, 2024
Re: Tampering, Player Recruitment and Prohibited Advertising
Bulletin ID: 24-052

Notice to all Associations and Potential Team Officials for the 2025-2026 Season

Following the Ontario Hockey Federation's announcement regarding amendments to its Regulations and Playing Regulations as of December 17, 2024, this Bulletin serves to address significant changes related to Tampering and Prohibitive Advertising, effective immediately. For full details, refer to the [Official Press Release](#).

OHF Regulation H outlines parameters and actions that are included in Tampering as well as the timeframes associated with Prohibitive Advertising. Associations, Team Officials, and parents who book informal ice sessions, conducted by invitation only could fall under the guise of Regulation H. Any violations, if determined on the balance of probabilities, may result in sanction.

Associations must take responsibility for ensuring that their Team Officials focus solely on delivering high-quality programming to their current participants. Team Officials and parents should be reminded that engaging in activities perceived as recruiting players for the 2025-2026 season is strictly prohibited. Organizational culture and accountability begin with leadership; it is important that staff adhere to these regulations to maintain the integrity of the sport.

Bulletin 24-048 Interim Policy for Coach Selection Announcements for the 2025–2026 Season has been replaced by Playing Regulation H8. Any individuals already named as Team Officials for the 2025-2026 season must remain silent about their appointment until **February 15, 2025. Associations are encouraged to ensure compliance with this requirement to avoid any potential breaches of the Regulations and sanctions.**

Important Links

[OHF Playing Regulations](#) (Regulation H starts on page 23)
[OHF Player Movement Overview](#)
[OHF Player Movement: Frequently Asked Questions](#)