



## WEST END HOCKEY LEAGUE GOALTENDER POLICY



The objectives of the WEHL Goaltender Policy are;

- To ensure that every team has a maximum of one full-time goalie at any time.
- To lay out clearly the process for goalie allocation and the responsibilities of all involved, and
- To ensure that players expressing a real interest in playing goalie will be considered seriously and all efforts will be made to accommodate them where possible.

The WEHL Goaltender Policy has several key elements;

- There is a maximum of one full-time goalie assigned per team.
- Priority is given to the placement of full-time goalies. Only after the allocation of full-time goalies is decided by the convenor, will part-time goalies be considered for assignment.
- The sharing of goalie duties can occur only where one or more part-time goalies are placed on a team with no full-time goalie.

**In order to be considered as a full-time or part-time goalie, the player must clearly indicate that they want to be a full-time or part-time goalie at the time of registration.**

It is important to understand that players indicating an interest in playing goalie do not automatically get a position as a goalie. Also, WEHL reserves the right to keep a player from playing goalie for safety reasons.

In situations where there are too many goalies (full-time and/or part-time), all efforts will be made by the convenor to find extra positions in other BMHL member associations, or if need be, in other ODHA associations.

### ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

**Convenor and Vice President (Junior or Senior):** The convenor, along with their VP, will decide on the allocation of full-time and part-time goalies to a division. This may be done with the consultation of coaches for that division and will depend on the particular situation (too many or too few goalies).

**Parents and players:** It is the responsibility of the player and the parent(s) to ensure the player is registered properly and all information is correct. Part time goalies need to understand that there is no guarantee from one year to the next that a position will be available for them as goalie.

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### ALLOCATION PROCESS

As with players, goalies will be evaluated as thoroughly as possible. This includes:

- Reviewing their past history (where and at what level they played)
- Assessment methods (to be determined by the convenor and approved by the WEHL executive at the start of each season)
- The player's expectations to be a full or part-time goalie.

From this information, a goalie will be assessed and allocated accordingly.

### RECOURSE

Players who are not satisfied with their allocation can write the Vice President of the division (VP Junior for Novice and Atom) or VP Senior (for Pee wee to Midget) within seven days of team allocation. The request will be reviewed by the VP of the Division and if required, the WEHL Executive will be consulted. The VP of the Division will make a ruling and the ruling will stand.