



# Gloucester - Cumberland Girls Hockey Association

## Policy Directive

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### Policy Directive #2

#### **HOCKEY-PLAYER ON ICE HELPERS - HOCKEY CANADA PLAYER VOLUNTEERS**

An individual who volunteers in an association must be:

- A Hockey Canada registered player of a minor hockey association or junior hockey league, or
- A Hockey Canada on-ice official between the ages of 16-20.
- This ensures that insurance coverage has been secured.

2. He/she may only be a demonstrator/helper and is not to provide instruction. He/she may not participate in any activities with the players such as scrimmages or drills.

3. **The individual must be at minimum one age division higher than the team they are volunteering with.** (e.g. a Bantam-aged player may help at the Pee wee level). He/she is not permitted to volunteer as an on-ice helper with a team at the same or higher age division.

4. The individual must wear, at a minimum, a CSA certified helmet and facial protection (as required by their level of hockey), and a BNQ certified neck guard (as required by their level of hockey) as well as hockey gloves and skates. Although this is minimum requirement, the home association/league may mandate full equipment.

5. An individual who is not a registered team official on their roster, and is an on-ice helper, and who is 16 years of age or older **MUST** complete the Speak Out!/Respect in Sport Certificate(coaches/Hockey Canada activity leaders version) on-line e-learning program. All team staff, and On-Ice Helpers age 18 and over, also require a Police Vulnerable Sector Check and a completed OWHHA Criminal Offence Declaration.

Teams must notify the GCGH Risk Manager [riskdirector@gcgh.ca](mailto:riskdirector@gcgh.ca) prior to those players being **ICE-HELPERS. They should provide:**

- Proof of Hockey Canada Registration
- That they have met the certification requirements; and if 18 or over – that a Police Vulnerable Sector Check and a completed OWHHA Criminal Offence Declaration has been done and provided.

6. “On-Ice Helper” is neither a qualification nor a designation to be used in the Initiation Program or higher levels. Rather, it is limited to those under age 20 who wish to give something back to the game, perhaps become involved in coaching or obtain high school volunteer credit hours.