

Shuswap Ringette Association

Advancement Policy

- I. **Players MUST register in the age division dictated by their date of birth.**
 - A. Parents will be reminded on registration form in bold italics to remind them that they are to register their child in the proper age category.
 - B. Registrar will double check forms to make sure they are filled out correctly.

- II. **Players WILL NOT be allowed to advance an age division unless by approval of the Shuswap Association Board of Directors. Considerations for advancement will be based on the following protocol:**
 - A. If player numbers are insufficient to form a team for a particular age division, consideration will be given to advancing players from the next lower age division (that has a surplus of registrations) to form the older division team.
 - B. Decisions will be made only after consulting with the coaches, player(s), and parents involved.
 - C. Players considered for advancement, due to insufficient numbers, may be required to compete at a “try-out”. Independent evaluation will determine those players advancing.

- III. **A formal letter will go out from the Board of Directors to any parents whose child is advance out of their particular age category. This letter will confirm that the advancement is for ONE season only, and that the following year, their son/daughter will be expected to return to their age category.**

Conclusion:

In ALL cases, consideration will be given to what is best for our association as a whole.