

Base Category Consideration	"A" Centre - Major/Minor system	"B" Centre - Mixed-Cohort system
Age grouping	Same year cohorts play together, exception is U18 Major which is two years mixed	Two years cohorts play together, exception is U18 which is three years mixed
Body checking	U14's play together as minor, U15's play together as major (old Bantam) U16's play together as minor, U17/U18's play together as major (old Midget)	U14 and U15's (2 years) play together (old Bantam), U16, U17, U18's (3 years) play together (old Midget)
Registration requirements	Collingwood is very close to Orillia, Innisfil, Owen Sound 'A' centre's registration numbers and Collingwood out-weighs greatly any other GBMHL/PSMHL numbers. Collingwood fits in the median range for other 'A' centre's registration across all Ontario.	CMHA has consistently had the highest registration for any centre in GBMHL and continues to be a succesful centre for this reason. The OMHA is continually assessing registration numbers across the province while also gauging centre success and consideration for re-classification.
Team entry classification	1st entry team 'A' for both minor and major. "2nd" entry team 'BB' would be mixed cohort and play in GBMHL in B/C pool. Although CMHA must meet certain criteria to apply, the OMHA can approve a Major team only, and 2nd entry as Minor-Major with no Minor entry.	1st entry team is 'B' for two year mixed-cohort. 2nd entry team is 'C' for two year mixed-cohort.
League "level of play" consideration	Collingwood 'A' teams are anticipated to play York-Simcoe however it is important to note that application can be made to have a less competitve team play at the 'B' level in Georgian Bay loop.	Status Quo. U9-U18 would play in Georgian Bay and Parry Sound Muskoka loop within A,B,C pool depending on classification.

League play specific to cohorts	No "rep" offered for U8-9 under new Hockey Canada guidelines. U10-11 will stay more local in Georgian Bay loop. The older U12-18 we hope would be York-Simcoe loop.	No "rep" offered for U8-9 under new Hockey Canada guidelines. U8-U18 stays the same.
Non-Resident Players (NRP's)	YES. 0-3 NRP's are allowed per team. This is an Association decision each year based on cohort registration and team competitiveness	NO. There are no NRP's allowed in 'B' centres.
Travel expectations	CMHA has applied under the request of being in the SimcoeYorkMHL which fits best. *OMHA has recognized and supported this request however not officially approved yet. Travel radius for 'A' teams varies between Orillia/Barrie and Markam/Newmarket depending on age division.	Travel would remain GeorgianBayMHL and ParrySoundMuskokaMHL loop for 'B' teams as well as 'C' teams.
Regular season game number	Under the YSMHL, 'A' teams would play 23-25 games depending on division. Any mixed 'BB' team would play under GBMHL in a 20 game season	Games would remain the same at approximately 20-22 game season under the GBMHL/PSMHL
"AE" Alternate Entry. (ie. AE3, AE4)	now eliminated under the OMHA re-categorization model	now eliminated under the OMHA re-categorization model
"MD" Major Development	Eligible to be applied for as a 2nd entry team. This is a non-contact team with emphasis on developing to the next representative level	Not eligible under this current system.

Player retention	As an 'A' centre, Collingwood is a good middle catchment area for this level of play between Owen Sound and Orillia and Innisfil. CMHA expects to have good player retention for this reason. Some AA-AAA players may choose this area to play as in any other year.	Collingwood is a great location as 'BB' centre and subsequently 'B' centre as well, competing against other similar centres like Midland and Elmvale. Some AA-AAA players may choose this area to play as in any other year.
Local League	No changes for LL. It would operate status quo under the Georgian Bay loop.	No changes for LL. It would operate status quo under the Georgian Bay loop.
Rep Tryouts	Late August for CMHA, as OHF will be phasing out Spring tryouts at AAA below within 4 years anyway	September as status quo, generally waiting for higher level tryouts to complete
Registration fees	CMHA would not be increasing registration fees this year simply due to 'A' level hockey if it were to happen. "Rep" fees do have the ability to rise due to increase in icetime for number of games, etc.	CMHA registration fees would remain status quo. "Rep" fees are always subject to fluctuation depending on icetime costs, etc.
Tournament entries	Eligible for all minor and major entries (single year groupings) as "A" centre application with some exceptions granted.	Eligible for B and C (mixed year age groups only) tournament entries with some exceptions may be granted to move up or down.
Silverstick Tournament	CMHA is currently working with S/S to determine if a "BB" Silverstick Regional is feasible since the AE tournament would longer exists. The Local League tournament would hope to continue. These details continue to be worked on.	CMHA is currently working with S/S to determine if a "C" level tournament is possible as a Regional for Collingwood. The Local League tournament would hope to continue. These details continue to be worked on.