

# WHY PLAY SANCTIONED HOCKEY?



Insurance	Safe Sport	Certification	Development	Affiliation	By-Laws & Policies
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**Non-sanctioned hockey is any hockey programming (ice times, practices, games, tournaments, etc.) that occurs outside of the membership oversight of Hockey Eastern Ontario and Hockey Canada. Hockey Canada and Hockey Eastern Ontario are recognized by the Federal and Provincial Governments as a National Sport Organization (NSO) and a Provincial Sport Organization (PSO) respectively. All non-sanctioned organizations fall outside of any regulatory government oversight and would not provide any avenue of recourse for any egregious incidents that may occur, except through the Legal system. There is no level of accountability for non-sanctioned organizations to answer to, which could potentially leave your child at risk.**

## SANCTIONED HOCKEY OFFERS:

### INSURANCE



Full, standardized insurance coverage, including Commercial General Liability, Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance and Directors and Officers Liability

### SAFE SPORT



Eligible to submit confidential complaints of maltreatment, abuse or harassment to the Office of the Sport Integrity Commissioner or Hockey Canada's Independent Third Party

## CERTIFICATION



Mandatory education, certification and training required for coaches, trainers and officials.  
Mandatory criminal record and/or vulnerable sector check for all coaches, bench staff, trainers and officials.

## DEVELOPMENT



Hockey Canada's Long-Term Player Development (LTPD) is a nine-stage model based on the physical, mental, emotional and cognitive development of children and adolescents. Each stage reflects a different point in developing the player. The first four stages emphasize physical literacy and a broad range of sport experiences. The next five stages focus on development and competitive excellence.

## AFFILIATION



Opportunity to be an affiliate player in a Hockey Canada sanctioned league, including Junior leagues.  
Players, coaches, officials and staff may be considered for additional sanctioned assignments and opportunities including participation in IIHF events, Program of Excellence events and regional and national championships

## BY-LAWS & POLICIES



By-laws and policies create standardization and consistency across our membership that aim to ensure our game remains safe, fair and fun for all involved. They set a standard in expectations for conduct, discipline, administration, etc across the membership.

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

[Hockey Canada Sanctioned Programs vs. Non-Sanctioned Programs](#)

[Hockey Canada Long Term Player Development Model](#)

[Hockey Canada Insurance Information](#)

[Hockey Eastern Ontario Website](#)

[Hockey Canada Website](#)