

## **Sherwood Park Minor Hockey Proof of Residency Requirements**

All new players and players transferring from another association must provide proof of residency documents upon registration and/or transfer request. SPMHA may also periodically require proof of residency from all members (new & returning) at time of registration. Hockey Canada states that players must play in the Branch where their parent(s)/court appointed guardian(s) reside. Residency is established by the usual residence of the parent(s)/guardian(s). "Usual residence" is defined as living at the residence four (4) out of seven (7) days.

It is the responsibility of the accepting Local Minor Hockey Association to verify residency upon application of registration. SPMHA requires two (2) supporting documents as proof of residency. If there is cause for suspicion, SPMHA reserves the right to request additional documentation. The following documentation will be accepted:

- Valid driver's license/government issued ID.
- Valid home purchase or rental agreement.
- Proof of homeowner or tenant insurance on property.
- Recent utility bill (water, power or gas)
- Player's official letter of attendance or enrollment in school within SPMHA boundaries.
- Current property tax assessment.

## \*Cell Phone Bills, Internet Service, or Bank Statements will not be accepted

**ALL** documents must include and confirm the name of primary parent/guardian and residential address within SPMHA boundaries. Registrations will be deemed incomplete if the above is not provided.

For complete Regulations pertaining to residency, refer to <u>Hockey Alberta Bylaws, Regulations and Policies</u> (Section A-Intro to Hockey, 3.2 Residency)

In the case of a separation, or when legal custody has been granted to a third person, the following document must also be provided:

- Executed copy of any relevant separation agreement, custody order or divorce decree
- Other (any relevant additional supporting documentation)

Please note: Any falsification of registration documents will result in the <u>immediate</u> suspension from Sherwood Park Minor Hockey Association and a potential further suspension from Hockey Alberta.