



## Definition:

Hockey Canada and its member branches view all leagues that operate outside the auspices/sanctioning of Hockey Canada programs to be classified as "outlaw" leagues. For further clarity, this specifically refers to those leagues that operate programs in direct competition with those offered by Hockey Canada and its member branches. This currently does not include summer hockey leagues/teams, adult recreational hockey leagues/teams, high school hockey, and/or hockey schools.

## Sanctions

- 1) Membership in Hockey Canada from those individuals that have participated (knowingly or otherwise) in "outlaw" programs will only be accepted based on the following schedule:

Outlaw League Participation HC Programs	Length of Period of Ineligibility for
0-5 Exhibition Games/Games participation	3 months from last outlaw league participation
6-10 Exhibition Games/Games participation	6 months from last outlaw league participation
More than 10 Exhibition Games/Games participation	12 months from last outlaw league participation

If a participant makes the choice to participate in these programs, they must understand the ramifications of that choice and whether the league/team folds, whether released/suspended/fired the individual will only be eligible to register with legitimate teams under the Hockey Canada umbrella based on the schedule above.

- 2) Hockey Canada will NOT offer National or Regional Championships or any other Hockey Canada/Branch/CHL sanctioned events to those municipalities/arenas that support "outlaw" programs.
- 3) Finally, Hockey Canada and its member branches across the country will make every effort to ensure that those local minor hockey associations in areas where outlaw leagues exist are not supporting these leagues in any manner whatsoever. We will withhold tournament sanctions if need be to stress this point. To be clear Hockey Canada will not sanction any tournaments within Municipalities and facilities that support programs outside the auspices of Hockey Canada and its Branches.

This is aimed at those leagues that are operating in direct competition to established Hockey Canada, Branch and local minor hockey programs.