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To: All

Subject: Chicago Flames disbanding/ player choices and coaches' movement

*For the 2024/25 fall season, the following rules will be used for any player that was rostered on a fall/ regular season Chicago Flames, Tier II team during the 2023/24 season.*

*16.5.1 Every Player in the State of Illinois may choose between two (2) Tier II Youth Affiliate Organizations in good standing as to where to play amateur Tier II Youth hockey. If one of those choices ceases to be a viable choice due to cessation of operations of the entire Affiliate Organization, that Player shall apply for a substitute choice online through the Tier II Youth Committee Choice Application process. Tier II Youth Affiliate Organizations are defined as an organization that has obtained AHAI Youth Tier II or Youth Tier II Applicant status*

## **16.9 TIER II CHOICE SUBSTITUTION PROCESS**

*The online Tier II Youth Choice Substitution Application process shall begin on July 15th of each year*

*16.10.2 The predicament of the Player is due to unique circumstances that were not created by the Player.*

*16.16.5 There are two exceptions to the Player Movement limit:*

- a. Players who previously played with a Tier II Youth Affiliate Organization, as one of their Two Choices, will not count against the maximum, regardless of their club affiliation the previous Regular Season.*
- b. Players who played for a Tier II Youth Affiliate Organization that does not field a team at a level will not count against the maximum for the Tier II Youth Affiliate Organization to which the Player moves.*

**Explanation:**

- *A player who only played for the Flames would have 2 new choices and there is no need to apply to the Tier II Committee*



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- A player has only used two choices and the Flames were one of the choices, the player will receive a new choice in place of the Flames but must apply to the Tier II Committee for approval and documentation of player history.
- A player who has used Three (3) choices and the Flames is one of the Three (3) choices. The player must apply to the Tier II Committee for consideration.
- **For the 2024/25 fall season only:** A player that was rostered on a fall/ regular season Chicago Flames team during the 2023/24 season will not count as an "import"/ player movement limit

**For the 2024/25 fall season only:** the following rule will be waived for any Coach that was rostered on a fall/ regular season Chicago Flames team during the 2023/24 season.

### 16.15 COACH(ES) MOVEMENT

AHAI Coaches who move from one Tier II Youth Affiliate Organization to another Tier II Youth Affiliate Organization cannot coach any of the same players from the previous season's AHAI/USAH rostered team for a period of one season with the new Tier II Youth Affiliate Organization

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