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As a proud member branch of Hockey Canada, Hockey Alberta is the governing body for organized amateur hockey in the Province of Alberta. One of the categories of Regular Membership in Hockey Alberta is a Minor Hockey Association (MHA) that is located in Alberta and registers players with Hockey Alberta, provided that Hockey Alberta will only recognize one Minor Hockey Association for each city, town, village or hamlet.

The St. Albert Minor Hockey Association (SAMHA) is the recognized Member MHA of Hockey Alberta that operates and governs minor hockey within their identified boundaries. SAMHA is currently a member in good standing with Hockey Alberta and operates minor hockey programs by properly registering approximately 1,700 players each season.

Hockey Alberta has also defined regional models for AA and AAA hockey and as part of those models Hockey Alberta has identified Member MHA's to act as the Host for each geographic area (Recruitment Areas and Draw Zones). SAMHA has been identified as a Host MHA for Hockey Alberta's AA Hockey Model, Elite Male Hockey Model and Elite Female Hockey Model, charging the MHA with the responsibility to operate all AA and AAA teams for their defined geographic region.

Host MHA's within the AA and AAA Hockey Models are provided with a set of operating standards and team management protocols for each specific level of hockey. As a Host MHA for each of these levels, SAMHA is required to establish an organizational structure and reporting process to operate the AA and AAA levels of hockey by placing focus and attention on each specific level. SAMHA has the ability to adjust their structure, providing they continue to adhere to the principles of each hockey model and that they continue to place the required focus and attention on operating each of those levels.

If you have any questions regarding the status or responsibilities of SAMHA in operating AA and AAA hockey as a member of Hockey Alberta, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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