

Policy Section	Change	Policy Version #	Date Approved	Effective Date
All	New Policy	0	2002	2002
All	Policy Revisions	0.1 – 0.7	2003-2011	2003-2011
All	Split Policy into sections 1.0 – 23.0, Appendix A – G	1	2012	2012
All 12.1 12.3.4 12.3.5 12.4.3 12.4.4.A 12.4.4.2, 12.4.4.3, 12.4.4.4	Spelling, Punctuation Added "athlete development" New Principle Added "Only sanctioned tournaments...." Wording changes/dates under Automatic Sanctioning Removed section Added new policies under Sanctioning by Request	2	N/A	11/03/2017
12.4.4.2	Add a new requirement to report teams attending tournaments to RAB	3	08/15/2018	08/15/2018
12.4.4.4	Removed "Athlete Evaluations not permitted in 12.4.3"	4	01/26/2020	01/26/2020

12.0 EVENT SANCTIONING POLICY

12.1 Purpose Ensure events in Alberta are organized to common competitive (where applicable) and safety standards for the benefit of participants.

12.2 Applicability All events organized in Alberta for registered Ringette participants by Ringette Alberta, Members of Ringette Alberta or Registered Teams.

- 12.3 Principles**
- 12.3.1 All events conducted by Ringette Alberta members must be sanctioned.
 - 12.3.2 Sanctioning is required for each event on an annual basis.
 - 12.3.3 Applications for sanctioning will be accepted from members of Ringette Alberta only.
 - 12.3.4 Members should obtain sanctioning before committing to conduct an event.
 - 12.3.5 Only sanctioned tournaments will be listed on the Ringette Alberta website.
 - 12.3.6 Sanctioning will be granted for only those events that comply with Ringette Alberta Policy.

12.4 Requirements

12.4.1 Timelines

The Event Sanctioning Form (Appendix D) must be submitted to the Ringette Alberta office at least thirty (30) days prior to the event.

12.4.2 Fees

Event sanctioning application must include the event sanctioning fee as specified in Appendix A - Rates and Fees.

Charitable events may have this fee waived.

12.4.3 Automatic Sanctioning

Sanctioning is automatically given to the following events **provided they comply with all applicable Ringette Alberta policies:**

- Programs delivered directly by Ringette Alberta;
- League play between September 1 and March 31;
- Team training (on ice or dryland) between August 15 and March 31;
- Specialized athlete development programs (introductory programs; goaltender training; power skating);
- Team building activities that do not expose participants to any risk which is greater than what they would experience in a typical ringette game;
- Exhibition games between teams registered with Ringette Alberta;
- Athlete evaluations starting no sooner than the Sunday of the weekend prior to the labour day long weekend for the season commencing in the same calendar year as the evaluations;
- Come Try Ringette events where the participants are pre-registered (before they begin the related activities);
- Association / Team end-of-season banquets where NO alcohol is served or consumed;
- Provincial Playdowns and Championships;
- Team travel to Out of Province Tournaments which are sanctioned by a Member in Good Standing of Ringette Canada.

12.4.4 Sanctioning by Request

12.4.4.1 Tournaments

Sanctioning of tournaments is at the discretion of Ringette Alberta. In order to be sanctioned the host association must abide by the regulations listed in the Sanctioned Event Application

12.4.4.2 For tournaments that are sanctioned, organizers

must report the attending teams (home association, team name, age and level) to Ringette Alberta within 2 weeks following the conclusion of the tournament.^[RA1]

12.4.4.3 League Play between April 1 and August 31

12.4.4.4 Team Training not permitted in 12.4.3

12.4.4.5 Other Events

All events not already identified in 12.4.3 and 12.4.4.1. These events include, but may not be limited to:

- Association events where **alcohol IS served**;
- Ringette camps / schools;
- Other team events not already listed previously in this policy.

12.4.5 Compliance and Consequences

12.4.5.1 As per the Ringette Alberta Bylaws (2.3), all Members must comply with Ringette Alberta Policy therefore, Members that do not obtain sanctioning from Ringette Alberta in advance of their event may face consequences up to and including having their membership revoked or lose the right to certain membership privileges such as holding future events.

12.4.5.2 If sanctioning application is submitted after the deadline but more than seven (7) days prior to the start of the event, fee is doubled.

12.4.5.3 If sanctioning application is submitted after the deadline and seven (7) days or less prior to the start of the event, the fee is \$500.

12.4.5.4 There will be no sanctioning if application is submitted after the deadline and 1 day or less prior to the event.

12.5 References

Ringette Alberta Bylaws 2.3 Terms of Membership

Appendix A – Rates and Fees

Appendix D - Sanctioned Event Application

12.6 Definitions

Event – An activity held under the control of Ringette Alberta, a Ringette Alberta Group Member or Registered Team; an activity held under the control of another Member of Ringette Canada, or a team registered to that Member.