



6.48 Private Operator Policy

i) **PURPOSE**

The Hockey Eastern Ontario (HEO) Private Operator Policy outlines the mandatory qualification requirements for Private Skill Operators who intend to deliver training within HEO boundaries to HEO sanctioned Teams, Leagues and Associations.

ii) **EFFECTIVE DATE**

January 1, 2021
Revised: October 2024

iii) **DEFINITIONS**

- Private Operator – means an individual or company who offers Specialty Skill Instruction (including, but not limited to tactical coaching elements such as zone entries, defensive zone coverage and power play strategies, and Specialty Skill Development such as but not limited too, Stick Handling, Checking, Skating, etc.) as a Subject Matter Expert, and who may or may not be remunerated for their services.
- Minor Hockey Association – means a registered and sanctioned organization of HEO who operates and administers minor hockey programs under HEO's Rules, Regulations, and Policies.
- Teams – means a registered and sanctioned organization playing in a League that has been approved and sanctioned by HEO.
- League – means a registered and sanctioned organization operating a group of teams to compete in recreational or competitive game play under HEO.

iv) **POLICY OBJECTIVES**

- a) To ensure that Private Operators, when provided services to HEO sanctioned teams, Leagues and Associations, are held to the same standard as all volunteer and paid coaches that fall under the jurisdiction of HEO and Hockey Canada.
- b) To allow for additional training for all Players and Coaches (beginners/advanced, recreational/competitive).
- c) To educate Private Operators on Hockey Canada and HEO programs.
- d) To offer training and certification in NCCP Coach Development Programs.
- e) To enhance the relationship between Private Operators, HEO, and its sanctioned Associations, Leagues, and Teams.





- f) To ensure all participants engaging private skill development are protected by appropriate safety regulations and covered by Hockey Canada insurance.
 - g) To establish a Gold Medal standard operating procedure for instructors of youth hockey training programs.
- v) **QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**
- a) Minimum NCCP Development 1 Certified.
 - b) Hockey Canada Goaltending 1 and 2 Instructional Stream Training in lieu of NCCP Development 1 Certification for Goalie-Specific Instructors
 - c) CRC/VSC (Criminal Record Check/Vulnerable Sector Check). Must be completed every two years.
 - d) Shift Forward Course.
 - e) Gender Identity and Expression Course.
 - f) Rowan's Law Acknowledgement.
 - g) Skating Instruction, we will accept Skate Canada Registered and Certified Skate Canada Coach's.

