

# PLAYING UP REQUEST FORM

This form is to be used when requesting a player play up in the next applicable age division. While this request is not encouraged, the Southern Illinois IceHawks (SIIH) realizes that there may be situations where special requests are necessary. The SIIH will consider your request and do its best to accommodate, however cannot guarantee it. Your move up request must be submitted to [HockeyOps@icehawkshockey.org](mailto:HockeyOps@icehawkshockey.org) by August 1<sup>st</sup>.

The following are some of the guidelines used when considering player movement.

- SIIH Hockey Operations Committee (or assignee) will maintain overall player number balance between all teams and divisions to meet the budget.
- Player movement can be initiated by the SIIH Hockey Operations Committee (or assignee).
- SIIH Hockey Operations Committee (or assignee) will maintain final endorsement of all player division changes.

USA Hockey rules permit a player to “play up”, but players should not generally “play up” more than one year. For example, a 10 year old may play up one age group in the 12u Pee Wee Division, if the SIIH allows it to occur. In some cases, based on the skill or size of the group, even though the child or parents want them to play up, a move-up will not be granted. Nothing in USA Hockey’s rules requires an association to allow any players to play up.

In order to play up, the player must demonstrate a skill level deemed necessary by the SIIH Hockey Operations Committee to safely and adequately compete in the first year age bracket of the division that the player is requesting to move to. The SIIH Hockey Operations Committee will determine if the individual meets the above criteria during evaluation skates. Even if the player meets that criteria, the request is not guaranteed. Other factors such as number of players on a team and overall competitiveness of the divisions will be taken into account. The SIIH Hockey Operations Committee will have final say on the play up request.

Players requesting a move-up will need to register for their actual age division based on their birth year prior to the draft, and may be asked to attend both divisions’ evaluation skates.

Player: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested Division:    8u/Mite    10u/Squirt    12u/PeeWee    14u/Bantam    16u-18u/Midget

Reason for Request: \_\_\_\_\_

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\* I understand and appreciate that the risk of injury may be greater and that the risk of injury from hockey is significant, including the potential for permanent paralysis and death, and while particular rules and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist. I knowingly assume all such risks, both known and unknown. Further, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Southern Illinois IceHawks (SIIH) youth hockey organization, it's officers, sponsors and participants, the Missouri Hockey (MO Hockey) Association and USA Hockey, inc from any and all liability, loss, expenses, attorney's fees, or claims for injury or damages caused as the result of my request.

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Parent/Guardian Name

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