

Rushmore Hockey Association  
Non-League Game Policy  
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**Purpose:**

The intent of this document is to provide guidelines for League Level teams and Squirts to pick up additional games in an effort to play the number of games per season as recommended by the RHA Hockey Development Committee and supported by USA Hockey. The guidelines are written with the understanding that variables effecting the information within will change from year to year.

**Guidelines:**

1. To qualify for RHA Funding, each level must host at least one home tournament/or at least two pick-up games hosted at RHA.
2. A Non-League Tournament Fund will be added to the expense section of the RHA Annual Budget
3. Any funds distributed shall be used for on-site, game related expenses such as entrance fees, ice time rental, referees, cleaning, facility use etc.
4. Funds shall not be used for travel expense, lodging, food or any other non-ice time expense.
5. Each team shall receive a seasonal allocation determined by the BOD at time of budget approval (typically in July/August).
6. Monies allocated per team are to be used to optimize number of game days as per HDC and USA Hockey recommendations.
7. Teams may continue to fundraise based on existing RHA rules. Monies raised shall go into the travel reserve and shall be designated to the team who did the fundraising for the current season's game days. Any unused monies will be placed in the non-league travel reserve and be carried into the next season for use in the overall travel expenses for the next season or placed back into the general fund for operating expenses based on BOD direction.
8. A tournament director shall be established for each team/level for the following purposes:
  - a. Coordinate all home tournaments with teams/level and/or league schedule
  - b. Coordinate with team/level coordinators for out of town tournaments
  - c. Coordinate advertising RHA tournaments with the BOD and tournament directors

**Funding Sources:**

1. Home Tournaments / Pick-up games – RHA Entrance Fees, Admissions, T-Shirts, Raffles/Silent Auctions, 50/50, Additional Out of Pocket Sources

**Other sources:**

- a. Misc. Specific Donations for team or level
- b. Other Tournaments above requirements
- c. Team Donations
- d. Team Fundraising
- e. Sponsorships
- f. Other