

Situation Guide for MAHA 72 hour waiting rule (MAHA Rule II. Q.) during the regular season

SITUATION	FOR A GAME	FOR PRACTICE
A >Player comes from USA Hockey Team A and wants to join Team B >Team B does not have 20 players	>Player needs a release from Team A >Player must wait 72 hours from the roster stamp day/time for first game with Team B	>Player can begin practice with Team B immediately upon signed release from Team A
B >Player comes from USA Hockey Team A and wants to join Team B > Team B does have 20 players	>Team B must either drop a player by giving them a release (Nov 30 date rule comes into play) or a player must request a release >Player needs a release from Team A >Player must wait 72 hours from the roster stamp day/time for first game with Team B	>Player can begin practice with Team B immediately upon signed release from Team A and Team B at 19 players
C >Player not currently on a USA Hockey team wants to join a rostered team >Team does not have 20 players	>72 hour rule does not apply >Player can begin games as soon as the roster is approved by the Registrar	>Player can begin practice as soon as USA registration is completed
D >Player is released from USA Hockey Team A, but prior to completing the proper MAHA release forms, wants to rejoin the team. > Note: Association must always complete the MAHA release form for any released player in a timely manner (7 – 10 days).	>Player must wait 72 hours from the roster stamp day/time for first game with Team A	>Player can begin practice immediately.
E >Team A has less than 20 players and a player gets hurt >Team A wants to roster a new player until the injured player returns; the new player is not currently on a USA Hockey team	>72 hour rule does not apply >Player can begin games as soon as the roster is approved by the Registrar Note: when the injured player returns to play, IF the “new” player is released you must complete a MAHA release form (even if he/she does not return to a USA Hockey rostered team)	>Player can begin practice as soon as USA registration is completed
F >Team A has less than 20 players and a player gets hurt >Team A wants to roster a new player until the injured player returns; the new player is currently on USA Hockey team B	>Player needs a release from Team B >Player must wait 72 hours from the roster stamp day/time for first game with Team A Note: when the injured player returns to play, IF the “new” player is released you must complete a MAHA release form (even if he/she does not return to a USA Hockey rostered team)	>Player can begin practice with Team A immediately upon signed release from Team B

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G	<p>>Team A <i>has 20 players</i> and a player gets hurt</p> <p>>Team A wants to roster a new player until the injured player returns; the new player is not currently on a USA Hockey team</p>	<p>> Injured player is released from the roster.</p> <p>>72 hour rule does not apply</p> <p>>Player can begin games as soon as the roster is approved by the Registrar</p> <p>Note: If the injured player returns to play for the team, and the new player is released from the team, the “new” player must complete a MAHA release form (even if he/she does not return to a USA Hockey rostered team)</p>	<p>>Player can begin practice as soon as USA registration is completed</p>
H	<p>>Team A <i>has 20 players</i> and a player gets hurt</p> <p>>Team A wants to roster a new player until the injured player returns; the new player is currently on a USA Hockey Team B</p>	<p>>The “new” player must have a MAHA release from Team B</p> <p>> Injured player is released from the roster.</p> <p>>Player must wait 72 hours from the roster stamp day/time for first game with Team A</p> <p>Note: If the injured player returns to play for the team, and the new player is released from the team, the “new” player must complete a MAHA release form (even if he/she does not return to a USA Hockey rostered team)</p>	<p>>Player can begin practice immediately</p>

Notes:

- 1) The November 30 released date and the December 31 add date in MAHA Rule II. P. applies to any of these examples.
- 2) Any time a player is released from a roster the MHA release form must be executed by the association
- 3) Red-lining a participant on a roster does not release that player from the team.