

## **2023-24 LOR Summary Notes**

The following provisions will govern all Tryouts for “A”, “AA”, and “AAA” Teams (except U18 “AAA”) for the 2023-24 season.

The first date upon which Waiver, Permission to Skate forms and Releases can be issued on April 24, 2023. The first day of the new season for U10 - U18. They are not to be issued or received prior to this date.

It is important to educate your Team Officials so they are well informed as to what these forms look like, and to ensure they have received the correct paperwork for a player who is trying out for their team. Those requiring forms must present them before being eligible to tryout with any team in the GTHL.

Only players who reside in Mississauga, Toronto and Vaughan can tryout for any GTHL team without paperwork. Players who reside in the LOR: Ajax/ Pickering, Markham, Richmond Hill, Brampton and Oakville can only tryout based on the provisions listed below, and are subject to IMPORT restrictions.

**Players from any OMHA LOR Centre attending tryouts with a GTHL Team from U10 – U13, require a copy of a Release Form from their OMHA LOR Centre. The Release Form must be from the Division and Category the player will be trying out for in the GTHL.**

**Players who reside in any other municipality, outside the OMHA LOR, including the Alliance and NOHA, cannot tryout or register with any GTHL Team for A or AA. The only exception to this is at the “AAA” level, in which case a player would require “AAA” Waivers in order to be eligible to tryout and register with any GTHL “AAA” team. Players who are seeking waivers should contact their member partner to learn the shortest path to take, to get to the GTHL. All waivers must be presented at the tryout.**

**Players who require a Release Form or LOR Permission to Skate:**

1. U10-U13: Any player who resides in Oakville, Brampton, Richmond Hill, Ajax/ Pickering (Markham: see rules below) requires a release.
2. U14 and older: Any player who resides in Oakville, Brampton, Richmond Hill, Markham, Ajax/ Pickering, unless that player participated in the GTHL during the 2022-23 season, requires a LOR Permission to Skate.
3. Markham Residents:
  - a. Any Markham resident at U10 or any Markham resident who has never played “A”, “AA” or “AAA” hockey before requires two Release forms: one from the OMHA Markham Waxers (“A”, “AA” and “AAA”) and one from the GTHL Markham Islanders (“A” and “AA”) or GTHL Markham Majors (“AAA”). Once this player has a release from both the Markham OMHA organization and the appropriate Markham GTHL organization, that player may tryout for any Division and Category they may wish to.
  - b. Any Markham resident trying out from U10 to U13, who played “A”, “AA” or “AAA” hockey in the OMHA during the 2022-23 season requires a release to play in the GTHL.

## **SUMMARY**

Players who require a LOR Permission to Skate Form or a RELEASE:

1. U10 to U13 – Any player who wants to join a team in the GTHL requires a written release from their home centre (Oakville, Brampton, Richmond Hill/ Markham Waxers, and Ajax/ Pickering) from the level at which they plan to tryout in the GTHL.
2. U14 to U18 (excluding U18 AAA) Any player who was not registered with a GTHL Team during the 2022-23 season and resides in Oakville, Brampton, Richmond Hill/ Markham Waxers, Pickering or Ajax.

Players who require “AAA” Waivers:

1. Any player who does **NOT** reside in the following: Markham (includes Markham, Unionville, Thornhill East of Yonge), Mississauga, Vaughan (includes Vaughan, Woodbridge, Kleinberg, Maple, and Thornhill West of Yonge), Toronto, Oakville, Brampton, Richmond Hill or Ajax/ Pickering, and who wishes to Tryout with a GTHL Team.

**Should families have questions regarding the appropriate paperwork required to tryout in the GTHL, they should be directed to contact their Member Partner; OMHA, Alliance or NOHA. For players seeking waivers and reside in the GTHL boundaries, they should contact Danielle Murray at the league office.**

**For coaching staff that have questions, please contact your club Registrar. The club Registrar will contact the league office if necessary.**

Thank you.